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**SC Dance Educator of the Year
Katy Strickland of Crayton Middle School**

Crayton Teacher Named Dance Educator Of The Year

Crayton Middle School dance teacher Katy Strickland has been named the South Carolina Dance Association's South Carolina Dance Educator of the Year for 2008-2009.

Strickland has been dancing for 23 years. She attended Columbia College and received her bachelor of arts in dance education (K-12 certification), bachelor of fine arts in dance performance and

Richland One Announces Student Holiday

Monday, October 13 is a holiday for Richland One students. However, their teachers will report to school where they will spend the day in professional development activities. District administrative offices will be open as usual on that date. Students will resume their regular schedule on Tuesday, October 14.

Richland One's Challenger Learning Center to be Featured at the SC State Fair

The Challenger Learning Center will be featured at the South Carolina State Fair October 8-18, in the upstairs area of the Cantey Building. Exciting displays such as the history of NASA, pictures of the 51L Challenger Space Shuttle crew, hydroponics (growing plants without soil), rockets and robots will be available for all to view. Visitors to the exhibit can do hands-on activities on Physics Day, Tuesday, October 14, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The Challenger Learning Center exhibits are the collaborative efforts of Forest Heights Elementary's NASA Explorer School, Southeast Middle School's Robotics Team, and Keenan High School's Robo Raiders. Please stop by and visit the Richland One Challenger Learning Center exhibits.

choreography, and master of education in divergent learning (arts emphasis). For five years, she danced with The Power Company, a professional contemporary dance company Columbia.

In addition to teaching dance for the past four years at Crayton, Strickland has taught at various conferences and workshops across the south and currently teaches at Palmetto Performing Arts. She is the coordinator for Richland One's Middle School Honors Dance Company and is a board member for both the South Carolina Dance Association and the South Carolina Dance Education Organization.

Principal Wins Carolina Careers Governor's Award

Nate White, principal of the Olympia Learning Center, was awarded the prestigious Carolina Careers Governor's Award as a 2008 Educational Champion of the Year. This award recognizes South Carolina educators who develop innovative and challenging programs to prevent or reduce the number of students dropping out of high school. White was recognized for successfully implementing Olympia's Star Academy, a model program which helps at-risk students stay in school and graduate.



Nathan White

The Star Academy Program, as well as other Olympia programs, will be prominently featured at the National Alliance of Black School Educators Conference in Atlanta November 18-23.

Richland One To Do Live Link With The International Space Station

Richland One's Challenger Learning Center will do a live amateur radio downlink with the astronauts orbiting the Earth on the International Space Station on Thursday, October 16 at 12:30 p.m. The event also will be broadcast live on the national Challenger Center Web site.

[Click here for more information.](#)

Richland One and Community Partners to Show Support For After-school Programs

On Thursday, October 16, Richland One, its community supporters and school districts across the nation will host Lights On Afterschool events to celebrate the importance of afterschool programs and to support the need for even more programs for America's children.

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