

Kershaw County Man Arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of Christopher Roger Bunn (age 45), of Camden, S.C., on three charges connected to the sexual exploitation of a minor. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the South Carolina Attorney General's Office made the arrest. Investigators with the Kershaw County Sheriff's Office, Camden Police Department, and the U.S. Marshals Service, all also members of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with this investigation.

Investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to Bunn. Investigators state Bunn distributed and possessed files of child sexual abuse material.

Bunn was arrested on July 1, 2026, and subsequent arrest warrants were served on July 8, 2026, while he was still in jail. He is charged with two counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (\$16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count; and one count of sexual exploitation of a minor, third degree (\$16-15-410), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment.

The case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

* Child sexual abuse material, or CSAM, is a more accurate reflection of the material involved



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in these heinous and abusive crimes. "Pornography" can imply the child was a consenting

participant. Globally, the term child pornography is being replaced by CSAM for this reason.



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Public Media Release Community Eligibility Provision Effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027

Lancaster County Public School District is participating in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) for the (current school year) school year. Section 104(a) of the Healthy, Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010 amended section 11(a)(1) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1759a(a)(1))(the law) to provide an alternative to household applications for free and reduced-price meals in local educational agencies (LEAs) and schools with increased levels of low-income students. This alternative is referred to as the Community Eligibility Provision. All students enrolled in the school/district may participate in the breakfast and lunch program at no charge to them. Families will not have to fill out meal applications.

Breakfast and lunch meals follow the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) guidelines for healthy school meals. Please encourage students to participate in the school meal programs.

You may contact your School Food Service (SFS) Director **Angela McCorey** for additional information.

Parents or guardians that do not want their child/children to participate in CEP may wish to discuss this matter with on an informal basis.

Parents wishing to make a formal appeal may make a request either orally or in writing to **Dr. Jason Ramey** whose address is: **300 S Catawba St, Lancaster SC 29720** for a hearing to appeal the decision.

This release was sent to the following newspapers: **The Kershaw News-Era, The Lancaster News**

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Kershaw County Ribbon Cutting



Kershaw County officials held a ribbon cutting at the Kershaw County West Park in Lugoff (today). Improvements include 250 paved parking spaces and an additional entrance/exit on Whitehead Rd. Representatives from County Council, County Staff, Kershaw County Recreation Commission, Legislative Delegation, KBI Construction, Health Services District of Kershaw County and MUSC Health along with interested citizens were on hand for the ribbon cutting. The park is open and ready for families to enjoy.

Georgia Tech Spring 2026 Graduates Announced

ATLANTA, GA (06/30/2026)-- The Georgia Institute of Technology presented degrees to 7,129 undergraduate and graduate students during the Institute's 270th Commencement exercises May 7 - 9, 2026, at McCamish Pavilion (Ph.D. and bachelor's) and Bobby Dodd Stadium (master's).

Among the graduates were:
Wyatt Bunch of Camden (29020)
Roy Lewis of Elgin (29045)

2026-2027 PUBLIC MEDIA RELEASE

Lancaster County School District School District today announced its policy for free and reduced-price meals for children served in schools under the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program. Local school officials have adopted the following household size and income criteria for determining eligibility:

Household Size and Income Guidelines for Free Meals or Reduced-Price Meals Effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027

Income Eligibility Guidelines Effective from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027										
Household size	REDUCED PRICE MEALS – 185%					FREE MEALS – 130%				
	Annual	Monthly	Twice per month	Every two weeks	Weekly	Annual	Monthly	Twice per month	Every two weeks	Weekly
1	29,526	2,461	1,231	1,136	568	20,748	1,729	865	798	399
2	40,034	3,337	1,669	1,540	770	28,132	2,345	1,173	1,082	541
3	50,542	4,212	2,106	1,944	972	35,516	2,960	1,480	1,366	683
4	61,050	5,088	2,544	2,349	1,175	42,900	3,575	1,788	1,650	825
5	71,558	5,964	2,982	2,753	1,377	50,284	4,191	2,096	1,934	967
6	82,066	6,839	3,420	3,157	1,579	57,668	4,806	2,403	2,218	1,109
7	92,574	7,715	3,858	3,561	1,781	65,052	5,421	2,711	2,502	1,251
8	103,082	8,591	4,296	3,965	1,983	72,436	6,037	3,019	2,786	1,393
For each additional family member, add	10,508	876	438	405	203	7,384	616	308	284	142

Children from families whose income is at or below the levels shown may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals. For school officials to determine eligibility, the household must provide the following information on the application: (1) A SNAP or TANF case number certifying the household is currently eligible for either of these assistance programs and an adult household member signature or (2) names of all household members, the name and last four digits of the social security number of the adult household member signing the application form, current income by source for each household member and a signature of an adult household member certifying that the information provided is correct.

Foster children may also be eligible for these benefits regardless of household income. If a household has foster children living with them and the household has not previously been notified by the School District that their foster children have been directly certified for free meals, the household should include and count the foster children (including personal income earned by the foster children) on the household application form with other non-foster children.

Under the provisions of the policy **Angela McCorey** (Reviewing Official's name) will review applications and determine eligibility. Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the reviewing official may wish to discuss the decision with the reviewer on an informal basis. Parents wishing to make a formal appeal may make a request either orally or in writing to (Hearing Official's Name) **Dr. Jason Ramey** whose address is: 300 S Catawaba St, Lancaster SC, 29720 for a hearing to appeal the decision. The hearing procedures are outlined in the policy.

If a household member becomes unemployed or if household size changes, the household should contact the school to file a meal application. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for free or reduced-price meals if the household income falls at or below the levels shown above. A complete copy of the policy is on file in each school and in the office of the District Superintendent where any interested party may review it. This release was sent to the following newspapers: **The Lancaster News, The Kershaw News-Era.**

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Rehden Durant of Camden (29020) recognized on Georgia Southern University's Spring 2026 President's List

STATESBORO, GA (07/06/2026)-- Georgia Southern University recently recognized approximately 2,420 students on the Spring 2026 President's List. Rehden Durant of Camden (29020) has been named to the list for excellence in academics. To be eligible for the President's List, a student must have at least a 4.0 grade point average and carry a minimum of 12 hours for the semester.