



Southern Adventist University

The Southern Accent

Collegedale, TN

Partnership

Student paper staffed by paid & unpaid reporters that covers the community and the school.

Lead faculty

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Websites

[The Southern Accent](#)

Collaborators

The program is not currently partnered with any media outlets.

Impacts

Reach and number of stories are not tracked at this time.

Students

3,053 at Southern Adventist University

Student work

Students are mainly responsible for coming up with ideas and editing their work. They are overseen by a faculty member, but students are placed in a variety of roles to make them fairly self-sufficient

Faculty/staff

James-Johnson came up with the idea for students to cover local issues in Collegedale and has helped them transition into this new beat. She is also working on forming a partnership to have student stories published with a local media outlet.

Funding sources

The program is funded by the university.