

MEMORANDUM

TO: District Superintendents
District instructional Leaders
Read to Succeed Liaisons

FROM: Alisha Green, EdD
Director, Office of Instructional Supports

DATE: September 3, 2025

RE: Quarterly Regional Support for Read to Succeed Reading Coaches

This memorandum outlines continued efforts to expand the success of the Palmetto Literacy Project (PLP) through statewide support. During the 2025–26 school year, the Office of Instructional Supports (OIS) Literacy Specialist Team will provide targeted regional support and professional learning for all Read to Succeed Reading Coaches across South Carolina, reinforcing our commitment to improving reading outcomes for every student.

SCDE Literacy Specialists will support districts, schools, and coaches through a regional model. Support includes quarterly professional learning (see dates on page 2), on-site visits, tailored assistance based on local needs, coaching cycle guidance, and help with implementing LETRS, new curricula, and updated ELA standards. Specialists will continue partnering with District Instructional Leaders to align support with district literacy priorities.

Reading Coach Support

All Read to Succeed Reading Coaches are asked to register for the 2025-26 quarterly support sessions in their region [here](#). Zoom links will be shared with all registered participants prior to the session date(s).

September 3, 2025

Upstate	Midlands
• September 30, 2025 • November 18, 2025 • January 27, 2026 • March 24, 2026	• October 2, 2025 • November 20, 2025 • January 29, 2026 • March 12, 2026
Pee Dee	Lowcountry
• September 29, 2025 • November 3, 2025 • January 26, 2026 • March 23, 2026	• September 29, 2025 • November 2, 2025 • January 26, 2026 • March 24, 2026

District Literacy Leader Support

To support alignment and collaboration across literacy initiatives, virtual overview sessions will be offered for district literacy leaders. These sessions will provide insight into the content and focus areas of the quarterly Regional Reading Coach Support sessions, which are required for Read to Succeed Reading Coaches. Participation in the overview sessions will help foster a shared understanding of statewide instructional priorities and strategies.

These sessions will be held from 10:00–11:00 a.m., followed by optional office hours from 12:00–2:00 p.m. Additional details are provided below. District leaders may register using the link provided [here](#). Zoom links will be shared with all registered participants prior to the session date(s).

Literacy Leader Session Dates
• September 16, 2025 • October 28, 2025 • January 20, 2026 • March 24, 2026

Should you have any questions, please contact Marie Gibbons at mgibbons@ed.sc.gov or 803-734-0529.