SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

SCHOOL DISTRICT MEMORANDA

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MEMOS FOR APRIL 20-24

- **Release of Online Retiree Assurance Form for School Year (SY) 2026–27 - Memo** PDF (141 KB)
- **Speech-Language Pathology Assistants - Memo** PDF (146 KB)



- Allegiance Flag Company, headquartered in North Charleston, is set to donate **10,000 American flags to classrooms** nationwide in celebration of America 250. To receive a flag, teachers must **register here**.
- The SCDE is honoring high school seniors who have committed to military service after graduation with a special ceremony next month at Fort Jackson. **Learn more**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS



- Calling all educators! The SCDE will host the inaugural Palmetto Education Summit on June 15-17 in Charleston. This premiere education event will unite leaders,

community partners, and industry representatives to shape statewide learning. **Register today**

- To be added to our distribution list, please contact your Web Access Coordinator who manages the **District and Entity Information Management System** and have them update the district or school role with the appropriate email.
- The Palmetto Citizens Foundation is offering **grants of up to $1,000 for full-time K–12 teachers** to bring ideas to life in their classrooms, whether that's supplies, hands-on experiences, or programs that expand learning opportunities. The deadline for the fall cycle is September 30. **Apply today**
- The SCDE produces the annual Educator Preparation Report Card. As part of this effort, SCDE surveys recent graduates of South Carolina educator preparation programs and their employers. Next week, SCDE will email a survey to teachers who completed a preparation program during the 2024–25 academic year, along with a companion survey to their principals. Summary results will be shared with preparation programs and incorporated into the 2026 Educator Preparation Report Card. Graduate and principal feedback supports continuous program improvement. Only aggregate results will be shared; no individual responses or personally identifiable information will be released.
- **High School Seniors** – The deadline for the **Let Grow Think for Yourself Scholarship** is **April 30**! This scholarship recognizes students who share a compelling story of independence, critical thinking, and personal growth. With **$14,000 in scholarships available**, a few moments of reflection could turn into meaningful financial support for your future. Click the **application link** to learn more.

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