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MEMORANDUM

TO: Human Resource Directors
Teacher and Principal Evaluation District Administrators

FROM: Lilla Toal Mandsager
Director, Office of Educator Effectiveness and Leadership Development

DATE: May 12, 2020

RE: Educator Effectiveness Professional Learning Opportunities 2020–21

South Carolina's Teacher and Principal Evaluation systems are aligned with student-centered teaching and learning that supports the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate. Ongoing training for evaluators and district leaders is critical in ensuring the South Carolina Principal Standards, the South Carolina Teaching Standards 4.0 rubric, and related practices are implemented in ways that support educator growth and improved instruction in every school.

The Office of Educator Effectiveness and Leadership Development offers a variety of professional learning opportunities to support districts and schools. Those opportunities and sign-up links are listed below. Given the current statewide measures regarding COVID-19, we will continue to monitor data and follow advice from the Department of Health and Environmental Control on group gatherings. Although we have listed planned dates for face-to-face and virtual sessions, we will reach out to registrants and districts directly if any changes in format are warranted.

We appreciate all you do to grow teachers and leaders. If you have any general questions or you have ideas for additional supports we could offer you, contact me at 803-896-0312 or at lmandsager@ed.sc.gov.

Educator Effectiveness Professional Learning Opportunities Overview

SCTS 4.0 Train-the-Trainer training is for participants *already trained as evaluators*. Currently trained trainers do not need to retrain. This session is required for certified evaluators who will serve on the district training team. It focuses specifically on building the capacity of training teams to implement thoughtfully and to train evaluators and teachers in the SCTS 4.0 rubric.

SCTS 4.0 Evaluator training is required for any educator serving on a teacher evaluation team. This training prepares attendees to objectively evaluate classroom lessons and includes resources and strategies for successfully collecting data from teachers and students. This training will prepare attendees to take and pass the certification exam required to become a certified SCTS 4.0 evaluator.

Coaching Conversations takes participants deeper into the skills needed to give teachers high-quality feedback using the SCTS 4.0 rubric. The session includes models of strong conferences and offers techniques for personalizing support for teachers.

ADEPT Coordinator 101 is designed for new district ADEPT coordinators and current coordinators who would like a refresher. The morning session will provide an overview of contract levels and certification, the Expanded ADEPT evaluation cycle, and SCLead.org. The afternoon session is a personalized workshop for setting up district information in the SCLead.org data management system.

SLOs for District Leaders is designed to help district leaders understand the decisions necessary to fully support the SLO process at the district level. Leaders will deepen their understanding of what SLOs are, what the SLO model looks like in South Carolina, and how SLOs are used for evaluation and professional growth. Participants will be prepared to make SLO-related decisions, develop support materials, and implement SLO training at the local level.

SCLead.org Evaluator 101 training is designed to provide new ADEPT and PADEPP evaluators with click-by-click overview of the SCLead.org system resources and evaluation processes for teachers, special area educators, and principals.

If you have any questions related to specific learning opportunities, contact Faye Colley, fcolley@ed.sc.gov, 803-896-1271.

Educator Effectiveness Professional Learning Opportunities Calendar

SCTS 4.0 Evaluator Training

June 24–26, 2020 from 9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Virtual Session: These three days will include a mix of synchronous and asynchronous learning. Participants will need a device with an internet connection, a camera, a keyboard, and a microphone.

[SCTS Evaluator Summer Registration Link:](https://scde.formstack.com/forms/2020_scts_evaluator_training_summer)

https://scde.formstack.com/forms/2020_scts_evaluator_training_summer

January 19–21, 2021 from 9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Lexington-Richland School District Five
Center for Advance Technical Studies
916 Mount Vernon Church Road
Chapin, SC 29036

[SCTS Evaluator Winter Registration Link:](https://scde.formstack.com/forms/2021_scts_evaluator_training_winter)

https://scde.formstack.com/forms/2021_scts_evaluator_training_winter

SCTS 4.0 Train the Trainer

June 8–9, 2020 from 9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Virtual Session: This session will include a mix of synchronous and asynchronous learning. Participants will need a device with an internet connection, a camera, a keyboard, and a microphone.

[SCTS TTT Spring Registration Link:](https://scde.formstack.com/forms/2020_scts_trainthetrainer_spring)

https://scde.formstack.com/forms/2020_scts_trainthetrainer_spring

October 8–9, 2020 from 9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Lexington-Richland School District Five
Center for Advance Technical Studies
916 Mount Vernon Church Road
Chapin, SC 29036

[SCTS TTT Fall Registration Link:](https://scde.formstack.com/forms/2020_scts_trainthetrainer_fall)

https://scde.formstack.com/forms/2020_scts_trainthetrainer_fall

SCTS 4.0 Coaching Conversations

October 16, 2020 from 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

SC Archives and History Building
8301 Parklane Rd., Columbia, SC 29223

[Coaching Conversations October Registration Link:](https://scde.formstack.com/forms/coaching_conversations_october2020)

https://scde.formstack.com/forms/coaching_conversations_october2020

November 18, 2020 from 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

SC Archives and History Building
8301 Parklane Rd., Columbia, SC 29223

[Coaching Conversations November Registration Link:](https://scde.formstack.com/forms/coaching_conversations_november2020)

https://scde.formstack.com/forms/coaching_conversations_november2020

March 19, 2021 from 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

SC Archives and History Building, 8301 Parklane Rd., Columbia, SC 29223

[Coaching Conversations Spring 2021 Registration Link:](https://scde.formstack.com/forms/coaching_conversations_march2021)

https://scde.formstack.com/forms/coaching_conversations_march2021

ADEPT Coordinator 101 Training

August 27, 2020 from 9:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

Virtual Session: This session will include a mix of synchronous and asynchronous learning. Participants will need a device with an internet connection, a camera, a keyboard, and a microphone.

SC Archives and History Building, 8301 Parklane Rd., Columbia, SC 29223

[ADEPT Coordinator 101 Training Registration Link:](https://scde.formstack.com/forms/2020_adept_coordinator_101_training)

https://scde.formstack.com/forms/2020_adept_coordinator_101_training

SLO Training

SLO Training for District Leaders

July 14, 2020 from 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Virtual Session: This session will include a mix of synchronous and asynchronous learning. Participants will need a device with an internet connection, a camera, a keyboard, and a microphone.

[SLO Training for District Leaders Registration Link:](https://scde.formstack.com/forms/slo_training_for_district_leaders_july2020)

https://scde.formstack.com/forms/slo_training_for_district_leaders_july2020

SCLead.org Training

SCLead.org Evaluator 101

August 3, 2020 from 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

Virtual Session: This session will include a mix of synchronous and asynchronous learning. Participants will need a device with an internet connection, a camera, a keyboard, and a microphone.

[SCLead.org Evaluator 101 Registration Link:](https://scde.formstack.com/forms/sclead_org_evaluator101_august2020)

https://scde.formstack.com/forms/sclead_org_evaluator101_august2020