

**2021-22 Critical Need Subject Areas
South Carolina Teacher Loan Program**

The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) has identified the following subject areas as critical need subject areas for purposes of the South Carolina Teacher Loan Program.

The table below, *Critical Need Subject Areas*, reflects the percentage of full-time teaching positions in the 2020-21 academic year which are vacant or filled by individuals not fully certified in the particular subject area.

Critical Need Subject Areas

Subject Area	Percentage
School Librarian	79.89
Business/Marketing/Computer Technology	60.45
Theater	57.14
Dance	45.24
Computer Science	42.86
Art	42.50
World Languages	42.40
Gifted and Talented Education	39.68
Science	39.22
Literacy	32.14
Mathematics	31.51
Social Studies	31.35
Agriculture	29.03
English	25.75
English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)	25.63
Speech Language Pathologist	23.62
Middle Level (English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science or Social Studies	23.44
Special Education	23.31
Career and Technology Education (CTE)	20.57
Physical Education	19.76
Health Education	17.59
Music	16.46
School Psychologist	15.83
Driver Education	11.76
Montessori	11.43

The above *Critical Need Subject Areas* data is primarily based on the Center for Educator Recruitment, Retention and Advancement's (CERRA) annual Supply and Demand Survey. For this designation, only one district had not completed the survey: Clarendon School District Three.