

Identification of Critical Need Subject Areas 2022-23

The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) identified the following critical need subject areas for purposes of the South Carolina Teacher Loan Program. The data used for identification purposes were reported by South Carolina school districts through the 2021-22 Annual Supply and Demand Survey administered by the Center for Educator Recruitment, Retention, and Advancement (CERRA). Two districts, Clarendon School District Four and Florence School District Four, did not provide data for the survey.

Determinations were made by using the United States Department of Education (USED) formula for designating teacher shortage areas: the percentage of positions in a given subject area (i.e., certification field) that are unfilled, filled by educators in an alternative route program, or filled by educators holding an out-of-field permit.

Agriculture Education
American Sign Language
Art Education
Biology
Business and Marketing Education
Career & Technical Education (CTE)
Chemistry
Chinese
Computer Science
Dance
Driver Education
Early Childhood Education
Earth and Space Science
Economics
Elementary Education
English
English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)
Family and Consumer Science
French
Geography
German
Gifted and Talented Education
Government
Greek
Health
History
Industrial Technology Education
Italian
Japanese
Latin
Literacy
Mathematics
Middle Level English Language Arts
Middle Level Mathematics
Middle Level Science
Middle Level Social Studies
Montessori Education

Music Education
Music Education: Choral
Music Education: Instrumental
Music Education: Piano
Music Education: Strings
Music Education: Voice
Physical Education
Physics
Portuguese
Psychology
Russian
School Counselor
School Librarian
School Psychologist
Science
Social Studies
Sociology
Spanish
Special Education: Early Childhood
Special Education: Emotional Disabilities
Special Education: Hearing Impairments
Special Education: Intellectual Disabilities
Special Education: Learning Disabilities
Special Education: Multi-categorical
Special Education: Severe Disabilities
Special Education: Visual Impairments
Speech Language Pathologist
Theater