



"We cannot see what is "out there" merely by looking around.
Everything depends on the lenses through which we view the world.
By putting on new lenses, we can see things that
would otherwise remain invisible."
— Parker Palmer

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The Education Network

*creating and strengthening the connections
among leaders of state professional organizations*

EdVenture Connects allows organizations to share highlights of what they are doing to promote education progress in our state. Our conversation is all about making connections with others who share a commitment for making an impact on the lives of children, their families, and the schools and teachers who serve them. The agenda is developed using the participants' input. This meeting's emphasis is teacher recruitment and retention.

10:00 WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Marc Drews	EdVenture Children's Museum
Ellen Weaver	State Superintendent-elect, SC Department of Education
Barbara S. Nielsen	Chair, Teacher Retention and Recruitment Task Force SC State Superintendent of Education (1991-1999)

TEN-MINUTE HIGHLIGHTS

Panel Discussion 1: What we have learned from our studies?

10:30	Don Doggett	Teaching Working Conditions Survey Sent to Rural Teachers
	Michelle Rasheed	Addressing Retention & Recruitment with Preservice/New Teachers
	Stan Holland	UpBeat: engagement surveys; exit surveys, retention tracker, and coaching and professional development

Panel Discussion 2: What we are doing to retain and recruit teachers?

11:15	Tria Grant	Carolina CAP (Alternative Preparation and Teacher Residencies)
	Nicole Skeen	Carolina TIP: A Proven Solution for Teacher Retention
	Sue Pietruzia	SCCMS's Grand Challenges and STEM Teaching as a Career

12:10 Lunch: Conversation and Networking

Breakout Group Discussions

1:00	Canal Room	Increasing recruitment to the teaching profession (facilitated by Deanna Taylor and Robin Harriford)
	Think Tank	Improving working conditions for all teachers (facilitated by Deborah DePaoli and Tyshica McConner)
	Canal Room Vestibule	Improving teacher preparation (facilitated by Veronica Holland and Kathie Williams)

2:00 Sharing Highlights from the Breakout Sessions (group facilitators will lead)

2:45 Wrap up

