



**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**  
**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** District Superintendents  
District Instructional Leaders  
Professional Development Coordinators  
Principals  
Teachers

**FROM:** Llewellyn Shealy  
Interim Director, Office of Assessment and Standards

**DATE:** September 6, 2023

**RE:** CarolinaCrED Micro-credentials

The Personalized Learning Team has partnered with the University of South Carolina's [CarolinaCrED](#) to offer micro-credentials for SC educators. Sign up for an information session on **September 25, 2023 from 4:00pm-5:00pm**. Teachers who are interested in micro-credentials can sign up independently, or districts and schools can send representatives to receive information.

**Register Here:** [Meeting Registration - Zoom](#)

**Why:** Experience a personalized approach to professional development! Micro-credentials celebrate the work educators do every day by providing tangible recognition of educator expertise and professionalism in the form of portable digital badges. Districts can use micro-credentials to create or evaluate professional learning communities.

**What:** A micro-credential recognizes a discrete skill of an educator that is related to his/her practice, based on evidence that demonstrates competency of that specific skill. Educators earn renewal credit and badges for each micro-credential they complete. Please view this short video: [Micro Credentials 101 - YouTube](#)

**Next Steps:** To learn more about the micro-credential process, register for the information session on **September 25, 2023 from 4:00pm-5:00pm**.

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Please share the information below with interested principals and teachers. Contact Sarah Gams, [ssgams@ed.sc.gov](mailto:ssgams@ed.sc.gov), or Sarah Bowie, [smbowie@ed.sc.gov](mailto:smbowie@ed.sc.gov), with questions.