



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

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** District Superintendents  
Principals  
Instructional Leaders

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

**DATE:** August 15, 2023

**RE:** Fall 2023 Science Regional Series

The Office of Assessment and Standards Science Team is excited to announce locations and dates for the Fall 2023 Science Regional Series. This free, face-to-face professional learning opportunity will be centered around curriculum adaptation for the *South Carolina College- and Career-Ready Science Standards 2021* (Science Standards). Participants from across the state will have the opportunity to collaborate and work towards adapting their district instructional materials to best fit the needs of their population of learners. Certificates of completion for 18 SCDE Renewal Activity Hours will be issued to participants who meet all expectations of the professional learning opportunity.

Participants will:

- evaluate and adapt their selected instructional materials for alignment with the vision of three-dimensional science learning;
- assess and adjust the Performance Expectation bundles presented in their selected instructional materials for coherence from the student perspective;
- align and expand the phenomena presented in their selected instructional materials; and
- screen and revise the formative assessments within their selected instructional materials for alignment with the vision of three-dimensional science learning.

### Meeting Time, Locations, and Dates

Sessions will begin promptly at 8:30 a.m. and conclude by 3:00 p.m.

Location	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3
Fort Mill School District Office 2233 Deerfield Dr. Fort Mill, SC 29715	September 6, 2023	November 1, 2023	December 6, 2023
Tri-County Technical College Anderson Campus 511 Michelin Blvd. Anderson, SC 29625	September 15, 2023	October 26, 2023	December 13, 2023
Florence 1 Schools McClenaghan Building 500 S Dargan St Florence, SC 29506	September 18, 2023	November 6, 2023	December 11, 2023
6 Points Learning Center 130 Avery Lane Aiken, SC 29801	September 25, 2023	October 30, 2023	December 18, 2023

### Expectations and Registration Information

- **Expectations:** Participants are expected to attend all three sessions at their chosen location. You may be grouped with educators from another district and will work with that group for the duration of the series.
- **Audience:** The goal of this professional learning opportunity is for participants to take their learning and materials back to their home district for implementation and thus is intended for:
  - Science Teacher Leaders
  - Curriculum Teams
  - Science Specialists
  - Instructional Coaches
- **Registration:** Registration is limited by the available space for each location. Registration must be submitted online by **August 31, 2023**, via this [form](#).
  - Note: Each registrant must use their own name and email address for registration. Generic registration information (for example: “District Representative”) with an administrator’s email will not be accepted.

For more information about this free professional learning opportunity, please contact C. Lark Widener at [clwidener@ed.sc.gov](mailto:clwidener@ed.sc.gov).