



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

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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** District Superintendents  
Instructional Leaders  
Accountability Coordinators  
Technology Coordinators

**FROM:** Ellen Weaver  
Superintendent of Education

**DATE:** January 31, 2023

**RE:** Home School Documentation prior to December 13, 2022

The documentation requirements for Home School issued by South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) created two different sets of expectations. One set of requirements focused on compliance with Compulsory Attendance and a less rigorous set of expectations were required for exemption from Graduation rate calculations.

SCDE recognizes the difficulty in collecting required documentation after an extended period of time. To ameliorate the difficulty, SCDE will accept the documentation gathered under the previous graduation cohort guidance for students that exited prior to December 13, 2022 and will require the same documentation required for transfers to home school for students exiting December 13, 2022 and later.

Graduation Cohort documentation will be updated to reflect the more rigorous expectations.

Please contact Dan Ralyea at [Dralyea@ed.sc.gov](mailto:Dralyea@ed.sc.gov) with any questions.