



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

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Superintendents  
ESEA Title III MLP Coordinators  
Principals

**FROM:** Dr. Sarah Longshore  
Director, Office of Federal and State Accountability

**DATE:** May 16, 2023

**RE:** Multilingual Learner Program Data Management System Rollout Plan Update

The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) is pleased to share that 67 districts have now opted in to leverage our partnership with [Ellevation Education](#). Secured by the SCDE in September 2022, Ellevation supports essential components of the Multilingual Learner Program (MLP) including a platform for required programmatic documentation (Ellevation Platform) and an instructional and professional learning component (Ellevation Strategies). Districts are strongly encouraged to participate in the state-procured MLP Data Management System to comply with federal and state requirements. Ellevation Platform and Ellevation Strategies will bridge communication, collaboration, and best practices in supporting multilingual learners (MLs) in South Carolina.

Ellevation will be offering training and resources for ML coordinators, specialists, and teachers in preparation for the upcoming school year. Please make note of the opportunities listed below.

1) ML Coordinator & Campus Leader Training (Now-June)

- [ML Coordinator Training](#): Provides support to ML leaders at the district level
- [Ellevation Kick-Off for Principals](#): Assists in planning for campus roll-out
  - Virtual Event on June 8, 2023, 11:00-11:45 AM
- [Ellevation Toolkit for Campus/District Leaders](#)

2) Classroom Teacher Awareness (May)

- Video Overviews Available for Teachers: [Ellevation Platform](#) & [Ellevation Strategies](#)
- [In-Product Step-by-Step Tour](#): Preview instructional tools within Ellevation
- [Ellevation Toolkit for Educators](#): Get Started with Ellevation Platform and Strategies

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3) ML Specialists Refresher Training (July)- Links will be available in June

- Asynchronous Learning Modules: Offers on-demand training opportunities for ML coordinators to become reacquainted with Ellevation Strategies
- Getting Started Training Session: Learn foundational skills to use Ellevation Platform to fulfill ML programmatic responsibilities and Ellevation Strategies to support MLs

4) Classroom Teacher Training (July)- Links will be available in June

- Asynchronous Learning Modules and Getting Started Training: Learn foundational skills to use Ellevation Platform to fulfill ML programmatic responsibilities and Ellevation Strategies to support MLs

School districts that have not yet opted in can still do so by completing the [South Carolina Ellevation Opt In Form](#). SCDE expects participating school districts to fully implement the Ellevation Platform by the start of the 2023–24 school year and continue to rollout Ellevation Strategies.

Please contact Susan Murphy, [SMurphy@ed.sc.gov](mailto:SMurphy@ed.sc.gov), for MLP Data Management System questions. For Ellevation specific setup and data integration questions, contact Heather Gomez at [heather.lanham@ellevationeducation.com](mailto:heather.lanham@ellevationeducation.com) or Suzy Hall at [suzyh@ellevationeducation.com](mailto:suzyh@ellevationeducation.com).