



STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

MEMORANDUM

TO: Superintendents
ESEA Title III MLP Coordinators
Principals

FROM: Jewell Stanley
Interim Director, Office of Federal and State Accountability

DATE: January 9, 2024

RE: Multilingual Learner Program Data Management System Update

The purpose of this memorandum is to update local education agencies (LEAs) regarding the Multilingual Learner Program (MLP) Data Management System (DMS). The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) and LEAs have greatly benefited from our partnership with [Ellevation Education](#), a DMS that has significantly improved our ability to manage and support multilingual learner programs (MLPs) throughout South Carolina. However, as the American Rescue Plan-Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP-ESSER) funding is nearing its end, our state contract with Ellevation Education will subsequently conclude on July 29, 2024.

This change allows local school districts to reassess and reaffirm their commitment to supporting MLs. We encourage each LEA to consider integrating the MLP DMS into their upcoming general, state, or federal budget plans. This proactive approach will ensure the continuity of high-quality support and resources for MLs.

For any queries or assistance regarding the MLP DMS or funding strategies, please do not hesitate to contact Susan Murphy at SMurphy@ed.sc.gov.