



STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

MEMORANDUM

TO: School District Superintendents
School District Business Officials
School District Transportation Officials
Transportation Area and County Supervisors

FROM: Bill Tindal
Assistant Director, Business and District Services, Office of Transportation

DATE: July 5, 2023

RE: School Year 2023-2024 South Carolina School Bus Driver Wage Scale Guideline

The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) presents this pay scale as a guide to help districts in determining local school bus driver wages for the 2023-2024 school year.

Years of Experience	2023-2024 DRIVER PAY SCALE	Years of Experience	2023-2024 DRIVER PAY SCALE
0	\$11.40	12	\$13.31
1	\$11.42	13	\$13.52
2	\$11.44	14	\$13.73
3	\$11.47	15	\$13.95
4	\$11.68	16	\$14.20
5	\$11.84	17	\$14.44
6	\$12.03	18	\$14.68
7	\$12.24	19	\$14.94
8	\$12.46	20	\$15.18
9	\$12.67	21	\$15.43
10	\$12.87	22+	\$15.69
11	\$13.09		

As of July 1, 2010, one year of experience is equal to performing the duties of an SCDE-certified school bus driver for at least 152 days in a single school year, including summer school.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at btindal@ed.sc.gov.

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