

MEMORANDUM

TO: District Superintendents
Chief Financial Officer
District Instructional Leaders
District Information Technology Leaders
District Safety Coordinators

FROM: Jeff Childers
Chief Information Officer

DATE: September 1, 2026

RE: Security Monitoring Software Reimbursements

The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) Office of Information Technology (IT) is again reimbursing districts to offset the costs of providing technology to mitigate cyberbullying and assist in the prevention of self-harm, suicide, or possible harm to others by monitoring student digital activity.

SCDE will utilize funding received from the state legislature to provide reimbursement up to \$2.25 per student for the software listed below and paid based on the 135-day student average daily membership (ADM).

These software applications are available for reimbursement:

Bark	Lightspeed Alert
Deledao	Linewize Monitoring
Gaggle	Securly Aware
GoGuardian	

If interested, please complete the [Security Monitoring Formstack](#) and upload a copy of the paid district security monitoring service invoice(s) by **December 19, 2026**.

Reimbursements will begin being processed in **April 2027**.

For inquiries, email SCDE IT at IT_Reimbursements@ed.sc.gov.