



# SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

## SCHOOL DISTRICT MEMORANDA

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## DATA

### 135-day Data Verification

**AUDIENCE:** District Superintendents, District Finance Officers, District Technology Directors, District PowerSchool Coordinators

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The 135-day membership collection will open on **March 23, 2022, and close April 8, 2022.**

[135-day Data Verification - Memo](#) PDF (192 KB)

## EMPLOYMENT

### New Procedures for Requirements to Employ Retired Individuals for School Year 2022-23

**AUDIENCE:** District Superintendents, Human Resource Directors, District Web Access Coordinators, District Business Officials

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Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 9-1-1795 (Supp. 2020), beginning in School Year (SY) 2018–19 and annually thereafter, the State Board of Education (SBE) designates areas of critical academic need and critical geographic need for the employment of retired certified teachers who will be exempt from the earnings limitations imposed by S.C. Code Ann. § 9-1-1790.

[New Procedures for Requirements to Employ Retired Individuals - School Year 2022-23 - Memo](#) PDF (187 KB)

## GRANTS

# Arts Curricular Innovation Grants - Distinguished Arts Program Grant Opportunity

**AUDIENCE:** District Superintendents, Principals, Public Information Officers

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The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) announces that the 2022–23 Request for Proposals for the Arts Curricular Innovation Grants (ACIG)—**Distinguished Arts Program** grant is now available online. Approximately \$700,000 in funding will be distributed on a competitive basis and the deadline to apply is **April 25, 2022**.

For this funding round, the SCDE will fund one-year projects to schools and districts proposing arts initiatives that significantly improve student achievement in the arts and include all arts forms—dance, music, theatre, and visual arts—over a three-year period of their strategic arts plan.

[Arts Curricular Innovation Grants - Distinguished Arts Program Grant Opportunity - Memo](#) PDF (141 KB)

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