



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

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*STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION*

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** District Superintendents  
Principals  
Public Information Officers

**FROM:** Molly M. Spearman  
State Superintendent of Education

**DATE:** February 20, 2015

**RE:** S.C. Department of Education to Host Virtual Meeting on ESEA Waiver Renewal

The South Carolina Department of Education is hosting a statewide virtual meeting next **Thursday, February 26 from 6:00-7:30 p.m.** to discuss the agency's upcoming renewal request under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA).

The virtual meeting will brief attendees on the agency's implementation of ESEA flexibility. All stakeholders, including local education associations, teachers, teachers' representatives, administrators, students, parents, community-based organizations, civil rights associations, organizations representing students with disabilities, groups representing English learners, business organizations, industry officials, and Indian tribes, are encouraged to take part in this interactive meeting.

**WHAT:** ESEA Waiver Renewal Virtual Meeting

**WHEN:** Thursday, February 26, 2015, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

**WHO:** Betsy Carpentier, Chief Operating Officer/Chief of Staff/Interim Deputy Superintendent, Division of Innovation and Effectiveness  
Dr. Julie Gore Fowler, Deputy Superintendent, Division of College and Career Readiness  
Dr. Angela Bain, Deputy Superintendent, Division of Educator Effectiveness

**HOW:** If this is your first time participating in a Blackboard Collaborate virtual meeting, please visit this [webpage](#) to ensure your computer is set up to work smoothly with the audio equipment and the Blackboard Collaborate software.

To join the virtual meeting next Thursday, February 26 at 6:00 p.m., click this link:  
<https://sas.illuminate.com/m.jnlp?sid=2013163&password=M.F221C053E5505480C8EDD07D7DB8A9> as early as 5:45 p.m.

For those of you traveling without computer access during this time, please use the call-in information below:

Call-in number: (571) 392-7703  
Participant PIN: 752-190-705-735