



**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 4, 2015

**RE:** Migrant Education Program Application

The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) announces that the 2015–16 Migrant Education Program (MEP) grant is available now, online. Approximately \$500,000 in funding will be distributed to local education agencies, local organizational agencies, private nonprofit organizations, and institutions of higher education that meet eligibility and demonstrate the ability to fulfill the obligations required for MEP. The deadline to apply is **March 6, 2015**. For this funding round, the SCDE will fund applicants that propose to improve educational opportunities for migratory children and youth to help them succeed in the regular school program, meet the same state academic content and student academic achievement standards that all children and youth are expected to meet, and graduate from high school.

The SCDE will offer a technical assistance webinar for grant applicants on **Friday, February 13, 2015, from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**, via Blackboard Collaborate:  
<https://sas.illuminate.com/m.jnlp?sid=2013163&password=M.655713039028CAA68752A0860875BE>.

Please visit the [SCDE Grant Opportunities page](#) for updated information on grants, eligibility, application deadlines, and technical assistance. For more information about the MEP grant, please contact Dr. Jennifer Almeda at (803) 734-8219, [jmalmeda@ed.sc.gov](mailto:jmalmeda@ed.sc.gov).