



**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

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*STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION*

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Superintendents  
Middle and High School Principals

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

**DATE:** April 17, 2015

**RE:** Online English Language Arts and Math Skills Recovery Resources

VirtualSC is pleased to offer free English language arts (ELA) and math skills recovery resources to middle and high schools for immediate use. We have piloted the resources for the past two summers in schools across the state. Based on the positive results and feedback, we are releasing them for use in all middle and high schools.

These resources are aligned to the current state academic standards, based on mastery, and provide a personalized learning experience at each student's current level of skill and understanding (an alignment study to SC's College- and Career-Ready Standards (2015) is underway). The math grades 6–12 resources are available through a college-ready platform called EdReady, developed by the National Repository of Online Content (NROC). The ELA grades 6–8 resources were developed by VirtualSC and are offered in the same format as other VirtualSC courses via Moodle. ELA grade 9-12 resources are currently being piloted and will be available in late fall of 2015. You may find a complete description of these resources [here](#).

Since these ELA and math resources were designed to help schools meet the needs of their students, implementation is a school decision. Although we will not mandate how students are monitored using these resources, VirtualSC staff will be happy to discuss best practices with interested schools. Additionally, VirtualSC will provide the following: online curricula, administrative support for troubleshooting, and training for a school's teachers and staff.

On May 7, 2015, at 2:00 p.m., VirtualSC will introduce these skills-recovery resources to interested schools via a BlackBoard Collaborate [webinar](#). If you are unable to attend the webinar, you may listen to the recording later. If, after attending or viewing the webinar, you are interested in securing these resources, please complete the following [form](#) and someone will contact you. We look forward to sharing these excellent resources with you!