



STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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MEMORANDUM

TO: District Instructional Leaders

FROM: Dr. Anne Pressley
Director, Office of Standards and Learning

DATE: September 28, 2018

RE: K–5 Personalized Learning in Science and Mathematics with an Inquiry Approach:
Yearlong

The Office of Standards and Learning will offer a free, hybrid professional learning yearlong series designed to support K–5 educators as they personalize learning through inquiry based approaches in science and mathematics.

Participation in this series will afford attendees the opportunity to deepen their knowledge and understanding of the following:

- establishing a classroom culture that supports student directed learning;
- authentic formative assessments that guide learning pathways as students explore science and math through inquiry; and
- flexible learning environments that integrate science and math through student led inquiry.

Throughout the yearlong series, participants will refine their practice through ongoing virtual and face-to-face sessions designed to support their application of new knowledge in the classroom and their evaluation of its impact on student learning.

Certificates of completion for 38 hours for the yearlong series and culminating summer days will be issued to participants who meet all expectations of the professional learning series.

Dates and Locations

Links to live virtual meeting will be sent out directly to registered participants.

Statewide Virtual Meetings	Date	Location and Time
	Wednesday, October 17, 2018	3:00–4:00 p.m.
	Wednesday, May 1, 2019	3:00–4:00 p.m.

Location 1: Face-to-Face Meetings	Date	Location and Time
Colleton	Tuesday, October 23, 2018	Colleton Adult Education Ctr. Bdrm 609 Colleton Loop Walterboro, SC 29488 9:00a.m.–3:00p.m.
	Virtual Work	
	Thursday, November 29, 2018	Colleton Adult Education Ctr. Bdrm 609 Colleton Loop Walterboro, SC 29488 9:00a.m.–3:00p.m.
	Virtual Work	
	Tuesday, January 29, 2019	Colleton Adult Education Ctr. Bdrm 609 Colleton Loop Walterboro, SC 29488 9:00a.m.–3:00p.m.
	Virtual Work	
	Tuesday March 12, 2019	Colleton Adult Education Ctr. Bdrm 609 Colleton Loop Walterboro, SC 29488 9:00a.m.–3:00p.m.
	Virtual Work	

Location 2: Face-to-Face Meetings	Date	Location and Time
Anderson	Friday, October 26, 2018	Anderson Districts I & II Career & Technology Center 702 Belton Highway Williamston, SC 29697 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
	Virtual Work	

	Thursday, December 6, 2018	Anderson Districts I & II Career & Technology Center 702 Belton Highway Williamston, SC 29697 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
	Virtual Work	
	Friday, February 12, 2019	Anderson Districts I & II Career & Technology Center 702 Belton Highway Williamston, SC 29697 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
	Virtual Work	
	Friday, March 15, 2019	Anderson Districts I & II Career & Technology Center 702 Belton Highway Williamston, SC 29697 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
	Virtual Work	

Location: Final Face-to-Face Culminating Days	Date	Location and Time
Newberry	Tuesday and Wednesday, June 25–26, 2019	School District of Newberry County 3419 Main Street Newberry, SC 29108 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Travel Reimbursement

For the June statewide culminating days only, districts will be reimbursed for hotel and mileage at the state per diem for any participant that meets state travel guidelines. State travel guidelines for district reimbursement will be shared during the first face-to-face session. Lunch will also be provided on the final culminating days.

General Information

Participants should plan to arrive and sign in each day between 8:30–8:45 a.m. The yearlong series face-to-face sessions will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. and conclude by 3:00 p.m. Participants should plan to arrive and sign in between 8:30–8:45 a.m. each day. Lunch will not be provided for the yearlong series, but time will be allotted for participants to leave the site for an hour lunch break. Lunch will be provided for the Culminating Days. Participants should bring copies of your grade levels' *South Carolina College- and Career-Ready Science & Mathematics Standards*, devices, a notebook, and writing utensil.

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Registration

Registration must be submitted online via this [registration link](#). Registration for this professional development opportunity will close October 15, 2018.

Contact Information

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