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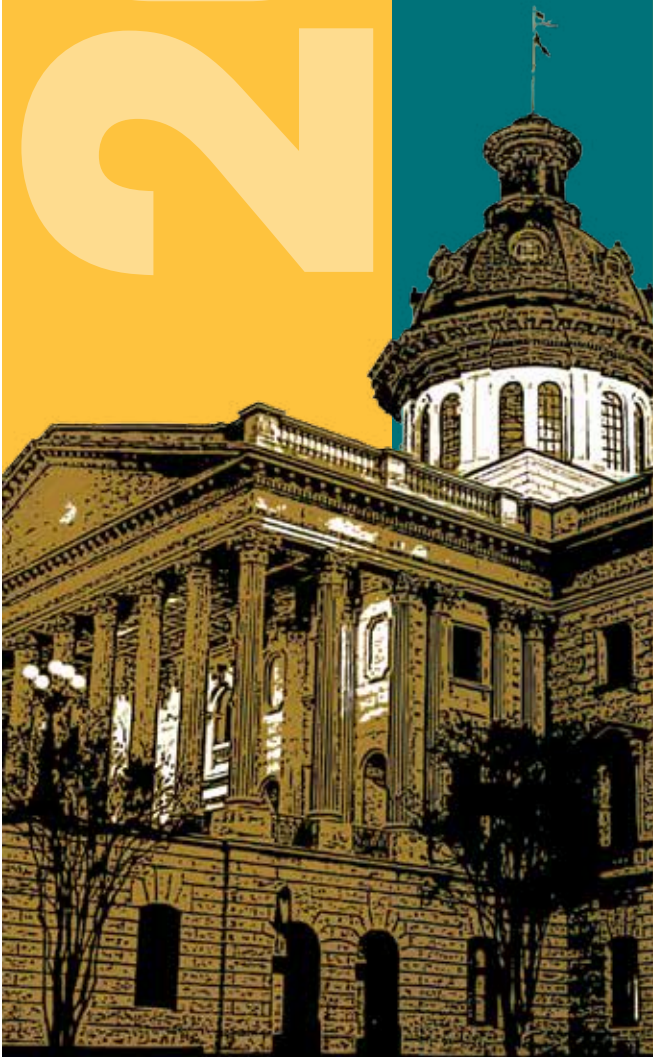
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# SCSBA looks forward to seeing you Tuesday

As a school board member, administrator or a local public school advocate, your presence at the State House standing up for public schools makes a difference. Leaders of local school districts, school board members and administrators know best the impact state policy proposals can have on their schools.

To help prepare for discussions with lawmakers on Tuesday, this handout provides information on the legislative issues you will be discussing with your legislators. Each issue includes an overview, position statement and talking points. Please note that legislation can change quickly as it moves through the process. SCSBA will be sure to pass along any changes or updates.





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TWO DAYS AT THE CAPITOL

## Steps to take before you arrive

1. Contact members of your legislative delegation to arrange a meeting between 10:30 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. at the State House.
2. Study the legislative issues, position statements and talking points to prepare for your meetings with legislators.
3. Review the education-related committee meetings that may be scheduled for the day (SCSBA will email a list prior to the event).
4. Check the weather forecast for chances of rain to determine if you should pack an umbrella, and don't forget coins for parking meters if you are planning to park on the street.

## Meeting location

The Capital City Club is located on the 25th floor of the Capitol Center building, located on the corner of Gervais and Assembly streets at 1201 Main Street in Columbia.

## Parking

Garage parking is available and can be accessed from Assembly Street or Lady Street. The parking fee is \$1 per hour with a maximum of \$10 for the day. Parking is also available at green colored, two-hour parking meters on area streets. Please note that participants will be responsible for their parking fees.

## State House visits

After the morning's legislative briefing, participants will walk across the street to the State House (see map of State House complex) and have a little more than one hour to meet with legislators and attend any scheduled committee meetings. If the House or Senate is in session, requests to speak with legislators can be made by completing a form on the desk near the entrance of both chambers. Be sure to keep notes of your conversations with legislators to share on the debriefing form provided in your meeting packet.

## Agenda

9 a.m.

### Registration and continental breakfast

9:30 a.m.

### Welcome

Scott Price, *SCSBA Executive Director*

### Briefing on legislative issues

Debbie Elmore, *SCSBA Director of Governmental Relations and Communications*

10:15 a.m.

### State House visits/meetings with legislators

(see State House Complex map)

Noon

### Lunch and program (2DAC participants only)

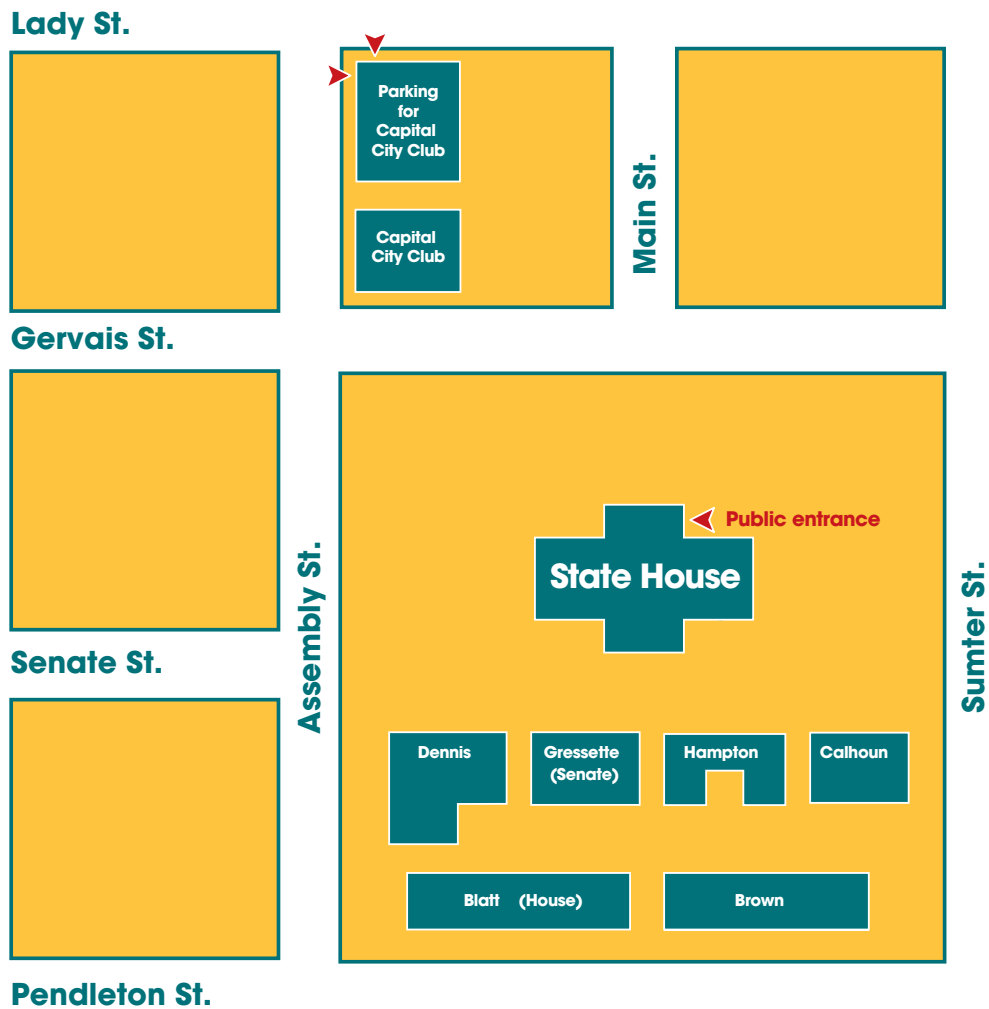


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TWO DAYS AT THE CAPITOL

## Map of State House Complex

Please note that the public entrance to the State House is on the Sumter Street (east) side of the building.



# Top legislative issues, position statements and talking points

## K-12 funding

### House bill 3720

The House Ways and Means Committee in late February reported out the \$8.5 billion General Appropriations Bill and Capital Reserve Fund for 2017-2018. House members will be presented with the budget plan March 7 to study before the budget is debated on the House floor during the week of March 13.

Highlights of K-12 funding in the state budget are as follows:

- An increase of \$38 million in the Education Finance Act (EFA) to raise the base student cost from current year's \$2,350 to \$2,400, or \$50 per student.
- \$36 million for school districts to cover the cost of 1% of the required 2% increase in employer contribution for the state's retirement system (SCRS).
- \$25.4 million to cover health insurance premium increases.
- \$100 million in Education Improvement Act (EIA) funds to the Abbeville districts, or districts with 80% or higher poverty index, to upgrade instructional facilities to include health and safety upgrades, technology upgrades, career and technology education programs and deferred maintenance needs.
- Nearly \$10 million in lottery funding and \$20 million of any lottery surplus funds to purchase, lease school buses.
- \$375,000 increase for teacher supply reimbursement.
- \$3 million to districts for student industry certifications/credential exams fees.
- \$19.4 million in EIA funds to address S.C. Public Charter School District growth.

Funding was cut for several programs including:

- \$23.8 million in lottery funds for the K-12 Technology Initiative.

- \$23 million to the Aid to School District budget line, which was set aside for use in the settlement with the U.S. Department of Education over the Individuals with Disabilities Act memorandum of agreement requirements.
- \$9 million for the Teacher Recruitment and Retention program for Abbeville plaintiff districts and districts with a poverty index of 80% or higher.

Some of the budget provisos of note are:

- Proviso 1.88 provides that school districts that received an overpayment of 4K funds in 2015-16 will not be required to return the overpayment to the State Department of Education (SCDE).
- Proviso 1A.9 requires districts no later than May 15 to annually notify all staff entitled to receive the teacher supply reimbursement of how they will provide the reimbursement. The reimbursement can be a check separate from the paycheck, direct deposit or a prepaid card.
- Proviso 1A.29 eliminates the salary supplement for teachers achieving National Board Teacher Certification beginning in 2017-2018.
- Proviso 1A.24 requires that funds for students designated at-risk of school failure be allocated based on school districts' number of weighted pupil units.
- Proviso 1A.63 requires the administration of the Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA) to each child entering kindergarten and directs SCDE to collect from schools and school districts information on each child's prior year school experience. Schools will need to collect from each kindergartener if he/she attended a Head Start program, a state 4K program in public or private school or center, a half-day 4K program in a public or private center or other program.



While there is no mandated employee pay raise, local districts will be required to pay the teacher step increases up to 23 years of service.

### Position statement

SCSBA supports legislation to reform the state's education funding structure. Any revision should be based upon specific analysis and recommendations on (1) the current tax structure and the state's taxing policy, (2) the current education funding formulas and their ability to equalize educational opportunities statewide, and (3) a realistic means of computing a per pupil funding amount, which is aligned with state-imposed student performance standards and expectations. Recommendations for reforming the method of fully funding public education in South Carolina must do the following:

- expand local district revenue-raising options;
- generate revenue that is adequate, stable and recurring;
- ensure equitable and timely distribution, to include direct distribution from the state to a district;
- provide adequate funding for other operational needs such as transportation and fringe;
- include state-driven initiatives to ensure that every public school student has the opportunity to learn in permanent school facilities that are safe, structurally sound and conducive to a good learning environment;
- ensure that districts are held harmless from receiving less money through a new funding plan; and,
- grant all elected school boards full fiscal autonomy.

### Talking points

- We are appreciative to the House for restoring \$37 million in EIA funding this past week that was to be directed to pay for road repairs. We urge support of using \$24 million of this funding to restore the funding for school technology initiatives, which has been funded through lottery funds in the past.
- We recognize the growth in state revenues is not what it has been in the past. We appreciate the allocation to school districts

to cover 1% or the required 2% increase in the employer contribution to the state retirement system and an increase of \$38 million to fund a \$50 per student increase in the base student cost (BSC). However, local districts will have to either increase local taxes or cut staff or programs to fund two state mandated requirements that must be funded next year as follows:

1. Teacher step increases
2. 1% employer contribution increase in the retirement system

School districts already use local funds to pay for the shortfall in state funding for employee fringe benefits. These local funds – because of Act 388 – come from increased taxes to businesses and industries.

- We appreciate the efforts by the House Ways and Means Committee to provide \$100 million to fund facilities repairs and upgrades in the Abbeville school districts. However, money to fund this program is based on carry forward funds in the EIA and Aid to School Districts budget line item that may not exist at the end of the current fiscal year. We need a stable recurring revenue stream to fund such efforts.

## School start date

### Senate bill 338

The joint resolution authorizing school districts to start the 2017-2018 school year on August 17 has been signed into law. The earlier start date will relieve districts from starting on the third Monday in August when a rare solar eclipse is set to occur.

While the earlier start date is appreciated, it applies only to the 2017-2018 school year but highlights the critical need of local school districts to set their own start date.

A new law enacted last year moved the administration of state tests from April to the last 20 days of the school year. This change removes a barrier that was used by uniform start date proponents who argued that students in districts that began school in early August would have an unfair advantage when taking the statewide tests. The students, they said, would have more instructional days than students in districts that

started school near Labor Day. With a 20-day testing window, school districts wishing to start earlier would test their students at the beginning of the testing window. Those districts wishing to start later would test their students at the end of the testing window.

School districts have found that depending on when the third Monday in August is positioned in a calendar year (as early as the 15<sup>th</sup> in 2016-17 and as late as the 21<sup>st</sup> in 2017-18), it is increasingly difficult to complete the first semester in 90 days before the winter holiday break, which many parents, teachers and students demand. Public pressure has led many school boards to end the first semester before the break and reduce the number of instructional days for students in completing first semester courses. Since many students take dual credit courses at technical colleges, moving the start date back one week will better assist in the alignment of those schedules for students to begin their new classes in January. Students who graduate early can complete their final exams and receive their diplomas in December or early January in time to start their college classes at the beginning of the spring term in January.

Efforts to move the start date as little as one week earlier have met resistance, which makes filing a bill to allow school districts the authority to set their own start date difficult.

School boards must determine whether or not members of their local legislative delegations (House members and Senators) would support a bill amending the uniform start date to give authority to local boards to set their school district's start date.

### **Position statement**

SCSBA believes that state law regarding when public schools may start the school year should be changed to give districts the flexibility of setting their own start date.

### **Talking points**

- Determining the school year calendar should be a core function of locally elected or appointed school boards.
- School districts have found that depending on when the third Monday in August is positioned in a calendar year (as early as

the 15<sup>th</sup> in 2016-17 and as late as the 21<sup>st</sup> in 2017-18), it is increasingly difficult to complete the first semester in 90 days before the winter holiday break, which many parents, teachers and students request.

- Many more high school students are taking dual credit courses at area technical colleges. Allowing districts to set their start date will better assist these students by aligning their second semester with local colleges and allowing students to begin their new classes in January.
- Students who graduate early can complete their final exams and receive their diplomas in December or early January in time to start their college classes at the beginning of the spring term in January.
- Districts have very few options for scheduling the statutorily required make-up days during the winter months due to required holidays, spring break, state testing, local benchmark testing, professional development and teacher work days. Allowing districts to set their own start date would provide more options for incorporating these scheduling requirements to complete the first semester before the winter holiday break.
- An earlier start date will allow students to complete the school year prior to Memorial Day, which provides greater flexibility for family vacations.

## **State aid for school facilities**

### **House bill 3343 and Proviso 1A.82**

In a response to the state Supreme Court ruling in the Abbeville lawsuit this past July, Senate and House leaders stated the General Assembly plans to address the school facilities issues in 2017. Currently, a bill to enact the South Carolina Education School Facilities Act that would provide state funding for school construction and renovations for districts with a low income tax base resides in the House Ways and Means Committee. In addition, a proviso directing funds (currently \$100 million) to pay for capital improvements in Abbeville plaintiff districts and districts with a poverty index of 80 percent or higher is in the state appropriations bill approved

by the House Ways and Means Committee.

The House bill is the same bill that passed the House in 2016 but failed to pass the Senate when time ran out in the session. In general, the bill would direct the SCDE to develop a system for identifying and ranking schools in greatest need of renovation or reconstruction, beginning with the plaintiff districts in the Abbeville lawsuit. The SCDE and State Board of Education are directed to develop regulations, requirements and processes for schools to qualify for funding. The annual list would be submitted to the General Assembly, which would have to approve the funds through the sale of state bonds.

The budget proviso directs state funding to eligible capital needs projects that include health and safety upgrades, technology upgrades inside school facilities, upgrades associated with career and technology education programs and deferred maintenance needs. The SCDE is to develop an application process and prioritize the eligible projects with the greatest need and submit a list of recommended projects to fund to the State Board of Education.

### **Position statement**

SCSBA supports legislation to provide state assistance and funding for school construction and renovations in districts with a low tax base. Support for passage of the bill would make it permanent law, instead of operating such a program through a budget proviso, which must be renewed every year.

### **Talking points**

- The budget allocation and proviso in the budget bill passed by the House Ways and Means Committee provides much needed funds to assist with capital needs in Abbeville plaintiff districts and is greatly appreciated. However a more permanent fix can be implemented with passage of the House bill to enact the South Carolina Education School Facilities Act currently residing in the Ways and Means Committee.
- While wealthier school districts have large enough tax bases to pay for maintenance and construction needs, poorer school districts often struggle to raise money locally to improve, much less build, school buildings.

- In 2014, the State Supreme Court stated that some of the schools in the plaintiff districts are so inadequate that they violate the State Constitution.
- The state must examine the funding system for K-12 schools, which are based on property values that make it extremely difficult for some districts with low tax bases to generate needed funding for construction.

## **State intervention in districts in fiscal crisis**

### **House bill 3221**

A bill authorizing the state superintendent of education and SCDE to provide assistance and intervention to districts found to be having fiscal issues has passed the House and currently resides in the Senate K-12 Education Subcommittee. The bill has a fiscal impact of \$347,381 for the SCDE.

The bill directs the S.C. Department of Education (SCDE) to develop and establish guidelines for a program to do the following:

- identify fiscal practices and budgetary conditions that, if uncorrected, could compromise the fiscal integrity of a school district
- advise the district on appropriate corrective action
- develop criteria establishing three escalating levels of fiscal and budgetary designations that the superintendent can declare upon districts. The designations and criteria are as follows:
  1. Fiscal Watch is the lowest designation that is to be based on a finding that a district has not acted reasonably to eliminate or correct fiscal or budgetary practices or conditions that could compromise the fiscal integrity of the district and if there is any type of ongoing, related investigation by any state or federal law enforcement agency or any other investigatory agency of the state.
  2. Fiscal Caution can be declared if a



district's audits have been reviewed and there are conditions observed that could result in a declaration of fiscal emergency, or an independent auditing firm reports to the state superintendent that there are conditions or practices in the district that could result in a declaration of fiscal emergency.

3. Fiscal Emergency is the most severe level of concern in which the SCDE may take over the finances of the district if approved by the State Board of Education. The designation is to be based on the following:
  - a district under fiscal caution fails to submit an acceptable recovery plan within 120 days or fails to submit an updated recovery plan when required;
  - a district under fiscal caution is not complying with an original or updated recovery plan and a fiscal emergency is necessary to prevent further decline;
  - a district is at risk of defaulting on any type of debt, to include, but not be limited to, tax anticipation notes, general obligation bonds, or lease purchase installment agreements;
  - a district has previously been under fiscal watch, fiscal caution, or any combination of fiscal watch and fiscal caution for three fiscal years collectively, regardless of whether these three years are continuous; or
  - a declaration of fiscal emergency is necessary to correct the district's fiscal problems and to prevent further fiscal decline.

The bill outlines actions that may be taken by the department to assist and/or intervene in the financial management of the district.

## **Position statement**

SCSBA is supportive of the bill's intent of the state assisting local school districts experiencing financial difficulty and wants to ensure the involvement of local school boards in the process. The bill provides the state superintendent and the SCDE with authority that should include checks and balances for local boards. SCSBA supports amending the bill to allow local boards the option of appealing the first level designation, Fiscal Watch, to the State Board of Education in cases where there may be extenuating circumstances.

## **Talking points**

- Support amending the fiscal practices bill to allow local boards the option of appealing the first level designation, Fiscal Watch, to the state board of education in cases where there may be extenuating circumstances.
- When local school districts struggle to resolve budgetary challenges, it is understandable for state policy leaders to seek monitoring and assistance programs aimed at avoiding defaulting on loans or filing for bankruptcy that would become the responsibility of the state.
- Public education is a shared responsibility of the state and local school districts, and each has a stake in its academic and fiscal success.
- It is important for the locally elected school boards to have a key governing role in any program in which the state intervenes in local schools.

# South Carolina legislators by school district

## Abbeville County Schools

Rep. Craig A. Gagnon (District 11)  
Rep. John Taliaferro "Jay" West, IV (District 7)  
Sen. Floyd Nicholson (District 10)  
Sen. Mike Gambrell (District 4)

## Aiken County Schools

Rep. William "Bill" Clyburn (District 82)  
Vacant (District 84)  
Rep. William M. "Bill" Hixon (District 83)  
Rep. Cally R. "Cal" Forrest (District 39)  
Rep. Bill Taylor (District 86)  
Rep. Bart T. Blackwell (District 81)  
Sen. A. Shane Massey (District 25)  
Sen. Nikki G. Setzler (District 26)  
Sen. Tom Young, Jr. (District 24)

## Allendale County Schools

Rep. Lonnie Hosey (District 91)  
Sen. Brad Hutto (District 40)  
Sen. Margie Bright Matthews (District 45)

## Anderson One Schools

Rep. John Taliaferro "Jay" West, IV (District 7)  
Rep. Joshua A. Putnam (District 10)  
Rep. Anne J. Thayer (District 9)  
Rep. W. Brian White (District 6)  
Vacant (District 3)  
Sen. Mike Gambrell (District 4)

## Anderson Two Schools

Rep. Eric M. Bedingfield (District 28)  
Rep. John Taliaferro "Jay" West, IV (District 7)  
Rep. Jonathon D. Hill (District 8)  
Sen. Mike Gambrell (District 4)

## Anderson Three Schools

Rep. Craig A. Gagnon (District 11)  
Rep. John Taliaferro "Jay" West, IV (District 7)  
Rep. Jonathon D. Hill (District 8)  
Vacant (District 3)  
Sen. Mike Gambrell (District 4)

## Anderson Four Schools

Rep. Jonathon D. Hill (District 8)  
Rep. W. Brian White (District 6)  
Vacant (District 3)

## Anderson Five Schools

Rep. Craig A. Gagnon (District 11)  
Rep. John Taliaferro "Jay" West, IV (District 7)  
Rep. Jonathon D. Hill (District 8)  
Rep. Anne J. Thayer (District 9)  
Rep. W. Brian White (District 6)  
Vacant (District 3)  
Sen. Mike Gambrell (District 4)

## Bamberg One Schools

Rep. Justin T. Bamberg (District 90)  
Sen. Brad Hutto (District 40)

## Bamberg Two Schools

Rep. Justin T. Bamberg (District 90)  
Sen. Brad Hutto (District 40)

## Barnwell 19 Schools

Rep. Justin T. Bamberg (District 90)  
Rep. Lonnie Hosey (District 91)  
Sen. Brad Hutto (District 40)

## Barnwell 29 Schools

Rep. Lonnie Hosey (District 91)  
Sen. Brad Hutto (District 40)

## Barnwell 45 Schools

Rep. Justin T. Bamberg (District 90)  
Rep. Lonnie Hosey (District 91)  
Sen. Brad Hutto (District 40)

## Beaufort County Schools

Rep. William K. "Bill" Bowers (District 122)  
Rep. Jeffrey A. "Jeff" Bradley (District 123)  
Rep. Shannon S. Erickson (District 124)  
Rep. William G. "Bill" Herbkersman (District 118)  
Rep. Michael F. Rivers, Sr. (District 121)  
Rep. Wm. Weston J. Newton (District 120)  
Sen. George E. "Chip" Campsen, III (District 43)  
Sen. Tom Davis (District 46)  
Sen. Margie Bright Matthews (District 45)

# South Carolina legislators by school district

## Berkeley County Schools

Rep. William E. "Bill" Crosby (District 117)  
Rep. Joseph S. Daning (District 92)  
Rep. Joseph H. Jefferson, Jr. (District 102)  
Rep. James H. Merrill (District 99)  
Rep. Samuel Rivers, Jr. (District 15)  
Rep. Sylleste H. Davis (District 100)  
Sen. Sean Bennett (District 38)  
Sen. Paul G. Campbell, Jr. (District 44)  
Sen. Lawrence K. "Larry" Grooms (District 37)  
Sen. John W. Matthews, Jr. (District 39)  
Sen. Ronnie A. Sabb (District 32)

## Calhoun County Schools

Rep. Russell L. Ott (District 93)  
Sen. John W. Matthews, Jr. (District 39)  
Sen. Nikki G. Setzler (District 26)

## Charleston County Schools

Rep. Robert L. Brown (District 116)  
Rep. William E. "Bill" Crosby (District 117)  
Rep. Wendell G. Gilliard (District 111)  
Rep. Lee Hewitt (District 108)  
Rep. Katherine E. "Katie" Arrington (District 94)  
Rep. William Scott Cogswell, Jr. (District 110)  
Rep. David J. Mack, III (District 109)  
Rep. Peter M. McCoy, Jr. (District 115)  
Rep. James H. Merrill (District 99)  
Rep. Samuel Rivers, Jr. (District 15)  
Rep. F. Michael "Mike" Sottile (District 112)  
Rep. Leonidas E. "Leon" Stavrinakis (District 119)  
Rep. Linda "Lin" Bennett (District 114)  
Rep. J. Seth Whipper (District 113)  
Sen. Sean Bennett (District 38)  
Sen. Paul G. Campbell, Jr. (District 44)  
Sen. George E. "Chip" Campsen, III (District 43)  
Sen. Stephen L. Goldfinch (District 34)  
Sen. Lawrence K. "Larry" Grooms (District 37)  
Sen. Marlon E. Kimpson (District 42)  
Sen. Margie Bright Matthews (District 45)  
Sen. Sandy Senn (District 41)

## Cherokee County Schools

Rep. Dennis C. Moss (District 29)  
Rep. V. Stephen "Steve" Moss (District 30)  
Sen. Harvey S. Peeler, Jr. (District 14)

## Chester County Schools

Rep. F. Gregory "Greg" Delleney, Jr. (District 43)  
Rep. MaryGail K. Douglas (District 41)  
Rep. Dennis C. Moss (District 29)  
Sen. Mike Fanning (District 17)

## Chesterfield County Schools

Rep. Patricia Moore "Pat" Henegan (District 54)  
Rep. James H. "Jay" Lucas (District 65)  
Rep. Richard L. "Richie" Yow (District 53)  
Sen. Gerald Malloy (District 29)  
Sen. Vincent A. Sheheen (District 27)

## Clarendon One Schools

Rep. Robert L. Ridgeway, III (District 64)  
Sen. Kevin L. Johnson (District 36)

## Clarendon Two Schools

Rep. Cezar E. McKnight (District 101)  
Rep. Robert L. Ridgeway, III (District 64)  
Sen. Kevin L. Johnson (District 36)

## Clarendon Three Schools

Rep. Robert L. Ridgeway, III (District 64)  
Sen. Kevin L. Johnson (District 36)

## Colleton County Schools

Rep. Justin T. Bamberg (District 90)  
Rep. Robert L. Brown (District 116)  
Rep. Michael F. Rivers, Sr. (District 121)  
Rep. Patsy G. Knight (District 97)  
Sen. George E. "Chip" Campsen, III (District 43)  
Sen. Brad Hutto (District 40)  
Sen. John W. Matthews, Jr. (District 39)  
Sen. Margie Bright Matthews (District 45)

## Darlington County Schools

Rep. Terry Alexander (District 59)  
Rep. Jackie E. "Coach" Hayes (District 55)  
Rep. Patricia Moore "Pat" Henegan (District 54)  
Rep. Phillip D. Lowe (District 60)  
Rep. James H. "Jay" Lucas (District 65)  
Rep. Robert Q. Williams (District 62)  
Sen. Kevin L. Johnson (District 36)  
Sen. Hugh K. Leatherman, Sr. (District 31)  
Sen. Gerald Malloy (District 29)

# South Carolina legislators by school district

## Dillon Three Schools

Rep. Frank "Lucas" Atkinson (District 57)  
Rep. Jackie E. "Coach" Hayes (District 55)  
Sen. Greg Hembree (District 28)  
Sen. Kent M. Williams (District 30)

## Dillon Four Schools

Rep. Jackie E. "Coach" Hayes (District 55)  
Sen. Greg Hembree (District 28)  
Sen. Kent M. Williams (District 30)

## Dorchester Two Schools

Rep. Katherine E. "Katie" Arrington (District 94)  
Rep. Patsy G. Knight (District 97)  
Rep. David J. Mack, III (District 109)  
Rep. Chris Murphy (District 98)  
Rep. Linda "Lin" Bennett (District 114)  
Rep. J. Seth Whipper (District 113)  
Sen. Sean Bennett (District 38)  
Sen. Paul G. Campbell, Jr. (District 44)  
Sen. Marlon E. Kimpson (District 42)  
Sen. John W. Matthews, Jr. (District 39)  
Sen. Sandy Senn (District 41)

## Dorchester Four Schools

Rep. Joseph H. Jefferson, Jr. (District 102)  
Rep. Patsy G. Knight (District 97)  
Sen. Sean Bennett (District 38)  
Sen. John W. Matthews, Jr. (District 39)

## Edgefield County Schools

Rep. William "Bill" Clyburn (District 82)  
Rep. William M. "Bill" Hixon (District 83)  
Sen. A. Shane Massey (District 25)

## Fairfield County Schools

Rep. MaryGail K. Douglas (District 41)  
Sen. Mike Fanning (District 17)

## Florence One Schools

Rep. Terry Alexander (District 59)  
Rep. Wallace H. "Jay" Jordan, Jr. (District 63)  
Rep. Roger K. Kirby (District 61)  
Rep. Phillip D. Lowe (District 60)  
Rep. Robert Q. Williams (District 62)  
Sen. Kevin L. Johnson (District 36)  
Sen. Hugh K. Leatherman, Sr. (District 31)  
Sen. Kent M. Williams (District 30)

## Florence Two Schools

Rep. Roger K. Kirby (District 61)  
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Rep. Phillip D. Lowe (District 60)  
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## Florence Five Schools

Rep. Roger K. Kirby (District 61)  
Sen. Hugh K. Leatherman, Sr. (District 31)

## Georgetown County Schools

Rep. Carl L. Anderson (District 103)  
Rep. Lee Hewitt (District 108)  
Sen. Stephen L. Goldfinch, Jr. (District 34)  
Sen. Ronnie A. Sabb (District 32)

## Greenville County Schools

Rep. Merita A. "Rita" Allison (District 36)  
Rep. Bruce W. Bannister (District 24)  
Rep. Eric M. Bedingfield (District 28)  
Rep. James Mikell "Mike" Burns (District 17)  
Rep. William M. "Bill" Chumley (District 35)  
Rep. Chandra E. Dillard (District 23)  
Rep. Daniel P. "Dan" Hamilton (District 20)  
Rep. Phyllis J. Henderson (District 21)  
Rep. Dwight A. Loffis (District 19)  
Rep. Jason Elliott (District 22)  
Rep. Michael A. Pitts (District 14)  
Rep. Joshua A. Putnam (District 10)  
Rep. Leola C. Robinson-Simpson (District 25)  
Rep. Garry R. Smith (District 27)  
Rep. Tommy M. Stringer (District 18)  
Rep. Mark N. Willis (District 16)  
Sen. Karl B. Allen (District 7)

# South Carolina legislators by school district

Sen. Scott Talley (District 12)  
Sen. Thomas D. "Tom" Corbin (District 5)  
Sen. William Timmons (District 6)  
Sen. Shane R. Martin (District 13)  
Sen. Ross Turner (District 8)  
Sen. Daniel B. "Danny" Verdin, III (District 9)

## Greenwood 50 Schools

Rep. J. Anne Parks (District 12)  
Rep. Michael A. Pitts (District 14)  
Rep. John R. McCravy, III (District 13)  
Sen. Floyd Nicholson (District 10)  
Sen. Mike Gambrell (District 4)

## Greenwood 51 Schools

Rep. Craig A. Gagnon (District 11)  
Rep. Michael A. Pitts (District 14)  
Rep. John R. McCravy, III (District 13)  
Sen. Floyd Nicholson (District 10)  
Sen. Michael W. Gambrell (District 4)  
Sen. Daniel B. "Danny" Verdin, III (District 9)

## Greenwood 52 Schools

Rep. J. Anne Parks (District 12)  
Rep. Michael A. Pitts (District 14)  
Rep. John R. McCravy, III (District 13)  
Sen. Floyd Nicholson (District 10)

## Hampton One Schools

Rep. William K. "Bill" Bowers (District 122)  
Sen. Brad Hutto (District 40)  
Sen. Margie Bright Matthews (District 45)

## Hampton Two Schools

Rep. William K. "Bill" Bowers (District 122)  
Sen. Margie Bright Matthews (District 45)

## Horry County Schools

Rep. Carl L. Anderson (District 103)  
Rep. Alan D. Clemmons (District 107)  
Rep. Heather Ammons Crawford (District 68)  
Rep. Gregory D. "Greg" Duckworth (District 104)  
Rep. Russell W. Fry (District 106)  
Rep. Frank "Lucas" Atkinson (District 57)  
Rep. Kevin Hardee (District 105)  
Rep. Jackie E. "Coach" Hayes (District 55)  
Rep. Jeffrey E. "Jeff" Johnson (District 58)  
Rep. Mike Ryhal (District 56)

Sen. Stephen L. Goldfinch (District 34)  
Sen. Greg Hembree (District 28)  
Sen. Luke A. Rankin (District 33)  
Sen. Ronnie A. Sabb (District 32)  
Sen. Kent M. Williams (District 30)

## Jasper County Schools

Rep. William K. "Bill" Bowers (District 122)  
Rep. William G. "Bill" Herbkersman (District 118)  
Rep. Wm. Weston J. Newton (District 120)  
Sen. Tom Davis (District 46)  
Sen. Margie Bright Matthews (District 45)

## Kershaw County Schools

Rep. Jimmy C. Bales (District 80)  
Rep. William W. "Will" Wheeler, III (District 50)  
Rep. Laurie Slade Funderburk (District 52)  
Rep. James H. "Jay" Lucas (District 65)  
Sen. Mia S. McLeod (District 22)  
Sen. J. Thomas McElveen, III (District 35)  
Sen. Vincent A. Sheheen (District 27)

## Lancaster County Schools

Rep. Brandon Michael Newton (District 45)  
Rep. James H. "Jay" Lucas (District 65)  
Rep. Mandy Powers Norrell (District 44)  
Rep. Richard L. "Richie" Yow (District 53)  
Sen. Chauncey K. Gregory (District 16)  
Sen. Vincent A. Sheheen (District 27)

## Laurens 55 Schools

Rep. Michael A. Pitts (District 14)  
Rep. Mark N. Willis (District 16)  
Sen. Daniel B. "Danny" Verdin, III (District 9)

## Laurens 56 Schools

Rep. Michael A. "Mike" Anthony (District 42)  
Rep. Michael A. Pitts (District 14)  
Rep. Mark N. Willis (District 16)  
Sen. Daniel B. "Danny" Verdin, III (District 9)

## Lee County Schools

Rep. William W. "Will" Wheeler, III (District 50)  
Sen. Gerald Malloy (District 29)  
Sen. J. Thomas McElveen, III (District 35)



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## Lexington One Schools

Rep. Todd K. Atwater (District 87)  
Rep. Micajah P. "Micah" Caskey (District 89)  
Rep. Chip Huggins (District 85)  
Rep. Cally R. "Cal" Forrest (District 39)  
Rep. Rick Quinn (District 69)  
Rep. L. Kit Spires (District 96)  
Rep. McLain R. "Mac" Toole (District 88)  
Sen. Ronnie W. Cromer (District 18)  
Sen. A. Shane Massey (District 25)  
Sen. Nikki G. Setzler (District 26)  
Sen. Katrina Frye Shealy (District 23)

## Lexington Two Schools

Rep. Micajah P. "Micah" Caskey (District 89)  
Rep. Russell L. Ott (District 93)  
Rep. Rick Quinn (District 69)  
Rep. L. Kit Spires (District 96)  
Rep. McLain R. "Mac" Toole (District 88)  
Sen. Ronnie W. Cromer (District 18)  
Sen. Nikki G. Setzler (District 26)  
Sen. Katrina Frye Shealy (District 23)

## Lexington Three Schools

Rep. Todd K. Atwater (District 87)  
Rep. Chip Huggins (District 85)  
Rep. Cally R. "Cal" Forrest (District 39)  
Sen. Ronnie W. Cromer (District 18)  
Sen. A. Shane Massey (District 25)  
Sen. Nikki G. Setzler (District 26)  
Sen. Katrina Frye Shealy (District 23)

## Lexington Four, Gaston-Swansea

Rep. Russell L. Ott (District 93)  
Rep. L. Kit Spires (District 96)  
Sen. Nikki G. Setzler (District 26)  
Sen. Katrina Frye Shealy (District 23)

## Lexington/Richland Five Schools

Rep. Nathan Ballentine (District 71)  
Rep. Christopher R. "Chris" Hart (District 73)  
Rep. Chip Huggins (District 85)  
Rep. Rick Quinn (District 69)  
Sen. John E. Courson (District 20)  
Sen. Ronnie W. Cromer (District 18)  
Sen. John L. Scott, Jr. (District 19)

## Marion Schools

Rep. Frank "Lucas" Atkinson (District 57)  
Rep. Roger K. Kirby (District 61)  
Sen. Kent M. Williams (District 30)

## Marlboro County Schools

Rep. Jackie E. "Coach" Hayes (District 55)  
Rep. Patricia Moore "Pat" Henegan (District 54)  
Sen. Gerald Malloy (District 29)  
Sen. Kent M. Williams (District 30)

## McCormick County Schools

Rep. J. Anne Parks (District 12)  
Sen. A. Shane Massey (District 25)  
Sen. Floyd Nicholson (District 10)

## Newberry County Schools

Rep. Richard "Rick" Martin (District 40)  
Sen. Ronnie W. Cromer (District 18)

## Oconee County Schools

Rep. William E. "Bill" Sandifer, III (District 2)  
Rep. William R. "Bill" Whitmire (District 1)  
Sen. Thomas C. Alexander (District 1)

## Orangeburg Cons. Three Schools

Rep. Gilda Cobb-Hunter (District 66)  
Sen. John W. Matthews, Jr. (District 39)

## Orangeburg Cons. Four Schools

Rep. Jerry N. Govan, Jr. (District 95)  
Rep. Lonnie Hosey (District 91)  
Rep. Gilda Cobb-Hunter (District 66)  
Rep. Russell L. Ott (District 93)  
Sen. Brad Hutto (District 40)  
Sen. John W. Matthews, Jr. (District 39)

## Orangeburg Cons. Five Schools

Rep. Lonnie Hosey (District 91)  
Rep. Gilda Cobb-Hunter (District 66)  
Rep. Jerry N. Govan, Jr. (District 95)  
Rep. Russell L. Ott (District 93)  
Sen. Brad Hutto (District 40)  
Sen. John W. Matthews, Jr. (District 39)

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## Pickens County Schools

Rep. Gary E. Clary (District 3)  
Rep. Neal A. Collins (District 5)  
Rep. David R. Hiott (District 4)  
Rep. Joshua A. Putnam (District 10)  
Rep. William E. "Bill" Sandifer, III (District 2)  
Sen. Thomas C. Alexander (District 1)  
Sen. Rex F. Rice (District 2)

## Richland One Schools

Rep. Jimmy C. Bales (District 80)  
Rep. Beth E. Bernstein (District 78)  
Rep. Kirkman Finlay, III (District 75)  
Rep. Christopher R. "Chris" Hart (District 73)  
Rep. Leon Howard (District 76)  
Rep. Joseph A. "Joe" McEachern (District 77)  
Vacant (District 70)  
Rep. J. Todd Rutherford (District 74)  
Rep. James E. Smith, Jr. (District 72)  
Sen. John E. Courson (District 20)  
Sen. Darrell Jackson (District 21)  
Sen. Mia S. McLeod (District 22)  
Sen. John L. Scott, Jr. (District 19)

## Richland Two Schools

Rep. Jimmy C. Bales (District 80)  
Rep. Beth E. Bernstein (District 78)  
Rep. MaryGail K. Douglas (District 41)  
Rep. Christopher R. "Chris" Hart (District 73)  
Rep. Leon Howard (District 76)  
Rep. Joseph A. "Joe" McEachern (District 77)  
Rep. Ivory Torrey Thigpen (District 79)  
Sen. Darrell Jackson (District 21)  
Sen. Mia S. McLeod (District 22)  
Sen. J. Thomas McElveen, III (District 35)  
Sen. John L. Scott, Jr. (District 19)

## Saluda County Schools

Rep. William "Bill" Clyburn (District 82)  
Rep. Cally R. "Cal" Forrest (District 39)  
Sen. A. Shane Massey (District 25)  
Sen. Floyd Nicholson (District 10)  
Sen. Nikki G. Setzler (District 26)

## Spartanburg One Schools

Rep. Merita A. "Rita" Allison (District 36)  
Rep. Josiah Magnuson (District 38)  
Rep. Steven Wayne Long (District 37)  
Rep. Tommy M. Stringer (District 18)  
Sen. Scott Talley (District 12)  
Sen. Thomas D. "Tom" Corbin (District 5)  
Sen. Glenn G. Reese (District 11)

## Spartanburg Two Schools

Rep. Josiah Magnuson (District 38)  
Rep. J. Derham Cole, Jr. (District 32)  
Rep. P. Michael "Mike" Forrester (District 34)  
Rep. Steven Wayne Long (District 37)  
Rep. Harold Mitchell, Jr. (District 31)  
Rep. V. Stephen "Steve" Moss (District 30)  
Sen. Scott Talley (District 12)  
Sen. Thomas D. "Tom" Corbin (District 5)  
Sen. Glenn G. Reese (District 11)

## Spartanburg Three Schools

Rep. J. Derham Cole, Jr. (District 32)  
Rep. Edward R. "Eddie" Tallon, Sr. (District 33)  
Sen. Shane R. Martin (District 13)  
Sen. Harvey S. Peeler, Jr. (District 14)

## Spartanburg Four Schools

Rep. William M. "Bill" Chumley (District 35)  
Rep. Edward R. "Eddie" Tallon, Sr. (District 33)  
Sen. Scott Talley (District 12)  
Sen. Shane R. Martin (District 13)

## Spartanburg Five Schools

Rep. Merita A. "Rita" Allison (District 36)  
Rep. Josiah Magnuson (District 38)  
Rep. William M. "Bill" Chumley (District 35)  
Rep. P. Michael "Mike" Forrester (District 34)  
Sen. Scott Talley (District 12)  
Sen. Thomas D. "Tom" Corbin (District 5)

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## **Spartanburg Six Schools**

Rep. Merita A. "Rita" Allison (District 36)  
Rep. William M. "Bill" Chumley (District 35)  
Rep. P. Michael "Mike" Forrester (District 34)  
Rep. Steven Wayne Long (District 37)  
Rep. Harold Mitchell, Jr. (District 31)  
Rep. Edward R. "Eddie" Tallon, Sr. (District 33)  
Sen. Scott Talley (District 12)  
Sen. Shane R. Martin (District 13)  
Sen. Glenn G. Reese (District 11)

## **Spartanburg Seven Schools**

Rep. J. Derham Cole, Jr. (District 32)  
Rep. P. Michael "Mike" Forrester (District 34)  
Rep. Harold Mitchell, Jr. (District 31)  
Rep. Edward R. "Eddie" Tallon, Sr. (District 33)  
Sen. Shane R. Martin (District 13)  
Sen. Glenn G. Reese (District 11)

## **Sumter Schools**

Rep. William W. "Will" Wheeler, III (District 50)  
Vacant (District 70)  
Rep. Robert L. Ridgeway, III (District 64)  
Rep. G. Murrell Smith, Jr. (District 67)  
Rep. J. David Weeks (District 51)  
Sen. Kevin L. Johnson (District 36)  
Sen. J. Thomas McElveen, III (District 35)

## **Union County Schools**

Rep. Michael A. "Mike" Anthony (District 42)  
Sen. Ronnie W. Cromer (District 18)  
Sen. Shane R. Martin (District 13)  
Sen. Harvey S. Peeler, Jr. (District 14)

## **Williamsburg County Schools**

Rep. Carl L. Anderson (District 103)  
Rep. Cezar E. McKnight (District 101)  
Sen. Ronnie A. Sabb (District 32)

## **York One Schools**

Rep. John Richard C. King (District 49)  
Rep. Dennis C. Moss (District 29)  
Rep. V. Stephen "Steve" Moss (District 30)  
Rep. Thomas E. "Tommy" Pope (District 47)  
Rep. J. Gary Simrill (District 46)  
Sen. Mike Fanning (District 17)  
Sen. Wes Climer (District 15)  
Sen. Harvey S. Peeler, Jr. (District 14)

## **Clover Two (York) Schools**

Rep. Dennis C. Moss (District 29)  
Rep. V. Stephen "Steve" Moss (District 30)  
Vacant (District 48)  
Rep. Thomas E. "Tommy" Pope (District 47)  
Sen. Mike Fanning (District 17)  
Sen. Wes Climer (District 15)  
Sen. Harvey S. Peeler, Jr. (District 14)

## **Rock Hill Three (York) Schools**

Rep. F. Gregory "Greg" Delleney, Jr. (District 43)  
Rep. Raye Felder (District 26)  
Rep. John Richard C. King (District 49)  
Rep. Brandon Michael Newton (District 45)  
Rep. Dennis C. Moss (District 29)  
Vacant (District 48)  
Rep. Thomas E. "Tommy" Pope (District 47)  
Rep. J. Gary Simrill (District 46)  
Sen. Mike Fanning (District 17)  
Sen. Wes Climer (District 15)

## **Fort Mill Four (York) Schools**

Rep. Raye Felder (District 26)  
Rep. Brandon Michael Newton (District 45)  
Vacant (District 48)  
Sen. Chauncey K. Gregory (District 16)  
Sen. Wes Climer (District 15)









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