TWO DAYS @ THE CAPITOL

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As a leading voice for local public schools, your visibility in front of state lawmakers is important, especially this year. As you have seen, education reform is making headlines, and a major education bill is moving through the House and Senate. This bill would bring drastic changes to K12 education, impacting teacher pay, accountability and school choice. These changes extend to school board members who are being targeted with increased requirements, including new ethics rules only for school board members, mandatory training and nepotism policies, school district takeovers, forced consolidations and more. Also on the horizon are proposals for changing the state's education funding system.

2DAC is two days during the legislative session for board members, superintendents and other public school advocates to:

• spend time at the State House meeting with legislators to discuss public school issues
• attend legislative committee meetings
• increase the visibility and voice of local school boards
2DAC dates

Each day is designated for school boards in specific regions; however, board members may choose the date that best suits their schedule.

The regions by date are as follows:


- **Wednesday, April 10, 2019**, for school boards in Abbeville, Aiken, Anderson, Cherokee, Chester, Edgefield, Fairfield, Greenville, Greenwood, Kershaw, Laurens, Lancaster, Lexington, Newberry, Oconee, Pickens, McCormick, Richland, Saluda, Spartanburg, Union and York counties.

registration

Online registration is now open. The registration fee is $75 per person up to one week prior to the event and increases afterwards to $85. The registration fee includes continental breakfast and buffet lunch. Please note that the registration cost for the March 13, 2019, 2DAC event is $75 until March 6, 2019; afterwards, it increases to $85. The registration cost for the April 10, 2019, 2DAC event is $75 until April 3, 2019; afterwards, it increases to $85. For the March 13, 2019, 2DAC event, no refunds will be issued after March 6, 2019. For the April 10, 2019, 2DAC event, no refunds will be issued after April 3, 2019.

To prevent duplicate registrations, invoicing and credit card charges, SCSBA’s online registration process is as follows:

- School board members must register through their board secretary.
- Associate members must register through their company or organization’s SCSBA contact.
- All others can register by clicking on the “registration link” on the 2DAC webpage at scsba.org.
There are multiple parking options available at or near the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center:

**The CMCC parking lot** adjacent to the facility may be available at no charge on a first-come, first-served basis. Parking availability is subject to change, based on event times and the number of events in the building.

**Pay-for-parking garages** are operated by the City of Columbia and are available 24/7. Customers can pay by cash or credit card. A cashier is on site most days from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Charges are $2 for the first hour and $1 for every additional hour but are no more than $10 for the day. Customers with lost tickets will automatically be charged $10 regardless of hours parked in the garage. Additionally, **metered parking** is available along many of the streets around the facility.

**PLEASE NOTE:** School bus transportation will be available to and from the State House.
8:45 a.m. **Registration and continental breakfast**
*Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center*

9:15 a.m. **Welcome and legislative briefing**
*Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center*

10:15 a.m. **Visits/meetings with legislators**
*State House*

12:30 p.m. **Lunch and program**
*Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center*

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**steps to take before arriving**

1. Contact members of your legislative delegation to arrange a meeting between 10:30 and noon at the State House. *New this year: Invite your Senate and House members to the luncheon.*

2. Study the legislative issues, position statements and talking points handout that SCSBA will email prior to the event 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.

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upcoming conferences

March 13, 2019
2DAC (Two Days at the Capitol)
Columbia, S.C.

March 30 - April 1, 2019
NSBA Annual Conference
Philadelphia, PA.

April 10, 2019
2DAC (Two Days at the Capitol)
Columbia, S.C.

June 6, 2019
New Board Orientation (Make up)
Columbia, S.C.
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March 13 | April 10

Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center