TWO DAYS AT THE CAPITOL
#SCHOOLBOARDSTRONG
show up, speak up

As a leading voice for local public schools, your visibility in front of state lawmakers is important, especially this year. Calls to reform teacher pay and working conditions have resulted in legislation that is being considered by the General Assembly. A major education bill that threatens the removal and elimination of local school boards in districts declared to be in a state of emergency is being debated by the Senate. K12 education funding, school start date flexibility and tuition tax credit/voucher expansion are some of the other legislative issues that will require you to stand up for SC public schools at the State House in 2020.

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 22, 2020**, for school boards in Abbeville, Aiken, Anderson, Cherokee, Chester, Edgefield, Fairfield, Greenville, Greenwood, Kershaw, Lancaster, Laurens, Lexington, McCormick, Newberry, Oconee, Pickens, 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 4, 2020, 2DAC event is $75 until February 26, 2020; afterwards, it increases to $85. The registration cost for the April 22, 2020, 2DAC event is $75 until April 15, 2020; afterwards, it increases to $85. For the March 4, 2020, 2DAC event, no refunds will be issued after February 26, 2020. For the April 22, 2020, 2DAC event, no refunds will be issued after April 15, 2020.

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 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 a.m. and noon at the State House.

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.
upcoming conferences

March 4, 2020
2DAC (Two Days at the Capitol)
Columbia, S.C.

April 4-6, 2020
NSBA Annual Conference
Chicago, Ill.

April 22, 2020
2DAC (Two Days at the Capitol)
Columbia, S.C.

June 4, 2020
New Board Orientation (Make-up)
Columbia, S.C.

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