

# The SCEA 2025-26 Legislative Priorities

**Working TOGETHER for Each and  
Every South Carolina Child and Those  
Who Educate Them.**

## Respecting Educators as Professionals

- Provide Competitive Compensation
- Increase Unencumbered Time
- Reduce Burdensome Paperwork
- Produce a Fair and Equitable Contract
- Improve Educator Recruitment and Retention Programs
- Trust Educators as Education Experts
- Provide Comprehensive Benefits



## Providing an Education of Excellence

- Increase Learning Time
- Invest in Student and Educator Wellness
- Invest in School Safety
- Invest in Early Childhood Literacy



## Supporting Our Public Schools

- Prioritize the Classroom
- Fund the Outcome (Vocational Ed and Dual Credit)
- Tax Abatement Reduction



**Let's Build On Our  
Wins from 2024!**

**Pay Increases**

**Paid Family Leave**

**Unencumbered Time**

**Increase in Supply  
Money to \$400**

**Step Increase from  
23 to 28 years**

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