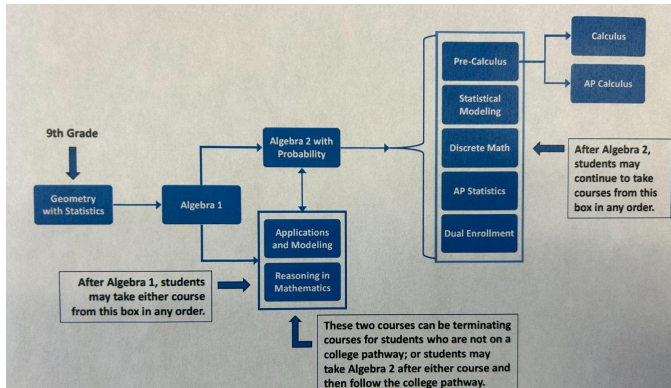


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INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

New SC Mathematics Course Sequence



In the 2025-26 school year Geometry with statistics will be offered in 9th grade, followed by Algebra I and then at least two more math courses. Effective that year, Lex One will offer Honors Geometry with Statistics in 8th grade for students who are academically ready.

Literacy Training for All K-3 Teachers

The General Assembly has funded LETRS professional learning for K-3 educators. The state budget includes training for all K-3 teachers, school administrators, reading coaches, reading interventionists, and K-3 special education teachers.

March 18 - South Carolina Day

March 18th has been designated as South Carolina Day by the South Carolina Legislature. To honor South Carolina day, schools and teachers help students gain a more general knowledge and appreciation of the history, resources, and possibilities of this State.

OPERATIONS & STUDENT SERVICES

A4LE Excellence Award

Jumper Carter Sease Architects and Lexington One were recognized earlier this week for the construction of Lakeside Middle School. A4LE (Association for Learning Environments) recognized this project with their Excellence Award. This is a designation given to the finest school construction projects in South Carolina.

Medical Exclusion Update

Last week, SC DHEC updated their medical exclusion list to reflect that students and staff may return after testing positive for COVID once they have been fever-free for 24 hours.

SUPERINTENDENT

4K Programs Pay Big Dividends

The Education Oversight Committee's annual evaluation of South Carolina's Child Early Reading and Development Education Program (CERDEP) found that students who participated in state-funded full-day 4K CERDEP were more likely to demonstrate readiness on the Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA) than those who did not. Of the 57,804 enrolled kindergarten students for the 2023-24 school year, 35,932 were considered Pupils in Poverty. Of this PIP population, forty percent were served by CERDEP. [Click here to view the full report.](#)

Congratulations to Jennifer Miller

Jennifer Miller, CPA and Lexington One's CFO, was sworn in last week as a board member of the South Carolina Association of School Business Officials (SCASBO). This marks the beginning of a seven-year commitment, during which time she will progressively assume different officer roles, culminating in the presidency.

Legislative Update - Kudos to Lexington One Board

Taken from the March 13 edition of e-clippings from SCSBA: [The house approved their budget and sent it to the Senate.] *SCSBA thanks school board members, especially board members on the SCSBA A-Team, for their successful advocacy efforts in urging House members to support passage of Amendment 34 by Rep. Chris Wooten of Lexington County that adds a budget proviso allowing state retirees to work as school bus drivers and not be subject to a cap on their retirement pay. The House unanimously approved the amendment and included a round of applause by lawmakers after the vote.*



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effective on May 31, 2022, effective May 31, 2023, and effective March 1, 2024.



The librarians are happy to receive the “Give a mouse/pig a...” book donation and thank the Board.

FOIA REQUESTS RECEIVED

Melanie Opena, teach.org, 2/29/24: Requesting the following information in an Excel spreadsheet related to uncertified, currently employed teacher assistants, paraprofessionals, substitute teachers, educational aides, tutors, and any other campus-based instructional support staff in your district: first and last name, work email address, job title, highest degree held (Associate's, Bachelor's, etc.) - if available

Zak Koeske, The State Newspaper, 3/11/24:

- Documents sufficient to show all long-term substitute teachers used by the district, the number of days each has worked and their school and course/classroom assignments for the 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24 school years.
- Documents sufficient to show the annual amount spent on long-term substitute teachers for the 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24 school years.
- Documents sufficient to show the annual amount spent on virtual instruction for the 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24 school years.
- Documents sufficient to show the total enrollment and unique number of students enrolled in virtual classes, broken down by grade level and course title, for the 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24 school years.
- Any and all vendor contracts with companies that provide teacher staffing
- Any and all vendor contracts with companies that provide virtual instruction

Dana Homesley, 3/14/24: All salaries over 50,000 for all employees of Lexington County School District One



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