



Foundations for Success Taskforce Meeting #3 April 30th, 2026 | 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Recommendation Development Large Group Discussion

Goals for Today: Aligning on the What and the Why

- Build consensus on the high-level goal statement verbiage (*We are not looking to wordsmith every detail or focus on specific action steps yet*)
- Collect key inputs from Taskforce members
- Identify what needs deeper refinement and triage to remaining recommendation development expert workgroup meetings and 1:1 meetings (*Recommendation goal statements that do not have 80% agreement*)

Reminder: This process will produce an action plan for South Carolina to address suspensions and expulsions of early learners across 3k-1st grade. The action plan will include: 1) detailed recommendations comprised of action steps across 1-year, 3-year and 5-year implementation timelines; 2) identified facilitators and support for successful implementation; and 3) key champions for implementation.

Please keep the following criteria in mind when developing recommendations for the 5-year Action Plan:

Specific: Who is responsible, and for what? Name a lead entity if possible.

Measurable: How will we know if we have achieved success?

Achievable: There needs to be a chance it can happen.

Results-oriented: What does the outcome look like?

Time-Bound: When should/will the activities and actions occur?

Clearly written: Easy to understand.

Include an estimate of resources that will be required, when possible.

Next Steps (6 Remaining Recommendation Development Expert Workgroup Meetings and 2 Taskforce Meetings):

- Refine action steps and prioritize based on feasibility and potential impact
- Individual outreach for resource and cost estimates
- Build out implementation timelines
- Identify implementation considerations for action steps:
 - Agency Budget Development Process
 - Agency/Organization Action
 - Data Systems/IT Infrastructure Investment
 - Federal Policy/Funding Approval



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- Formalizing Interagency Agreement
- Grant/Philanthropic Funding
- Legislative Action
- Regulatory or Licensing Requirements
- Workforce Capacity or Training Investment
- Identify Implementation Champions and Implementation Supports