

# **South Carolina Teacher Leadership**

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We are delighted to bring you the fourth issue of the 2019-20 South Carolina Teacher Leadership newsletter. Our goal is to provide a collaborative resource that highlights state and district level teacher leadership activities, outlines issues related to South Carolina education, and sparks ideas among Teacher Forums.

"The Courage to Lead is a willingness to take risks for the good of an unknown future."

--Simon Sinek

### **Congratulations**

Nichole Scipio, the 2020 Florence One School District Teacher of the Year, has been awarded one of two Excellence in Teaching Scholarships for a Master's degree from Coker University.

Coker University offers a partial scholarship to all Teachers of the Year in SC and two full scholarships. All scholarship applicants must submit a portfolio containing an innovation and leadership statement, their philosophy of teaching, and a statement about educational issues and trends. Portfolios are reviewed by the Wiggins School of Education's Graduate Committee to select the recipients of the two full scholarships. All school, district, and state Teachers of the Year in the state are eligible to receive free tuition for one term.

### **Upcoming Trainings and Announcements**

### **SC Mentor Training**

Mentor Training\* June 22-23 Virtual June 29-30 Virtual

\* You must meet the eligibility requirements for the training. Your district's Mentoring and Induction Coordinator can register you for the training. The participants in the virtual trainings will receive a provisional certificate.

#### **National Board**

Registration for the National Board certification process will open on June 2, 2020 for the next assessment cycle.

The 2020 South Carolina Teacher Forum will meet on June 16th using the Zoom platform. Each Teacher of the Year will receive an email on June 2nd with the link to register for the meeting.

# **Reading Corner**

"Courageous Leaders are strong because they know they don't have all the answers and they don't have total control. They do, however, have each other and a Just Cause to guide them. It is the weak leader who takes the expedient route...When leaders exercise the Courage to Lead, the people who work inside their organization will start to reflect that same courage."

"Belief does one more thing that is unique in human performance: it ignites and activiates. It unleashes you. Because it is so sharply focused, it blows through doubt and distractions and empowers you to perform at the highest possible level."

"For a goal to matter, it has to stretch us. That means it has to stand somewhere outside our Comfort Zone. If you know exactly how to attain the goal, it's probably not far enough."

--Michael Hyatt

--Urban Meyer

--Simon Sinek

"The Courage to Lead begets the Courage to Lead." -- Simon Sinek

CERRA can provide support for your District Forum.

Contact Suzanne Koty at <u>Suzanne@cerra.org</u> for more information.

Options: Organizational support, presentations, strategic planning, etc.

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