

S²TEM Centers SC Math Institute: Growing Teacher Leaders for Grades 3–5



Overview of Offering

This opportunity provides teachers of mathematics for Grades 3-5 with professional development and on-going coaching support to build teacher confidence in implementing evidence-based strategies in the elementary classroom. This initiative is designed to engage with groups of teachers from a school during the 26-27 school year. Each participant will be eligible to receive a \$375 stipend.

Eligible Schools

All S.C. public schools serving students in Grades 3-5 are eligible to apply. Selection of partner schools for the 26-27 cohort will be determined based on school needs related to student achievement in mathematics.



Program Model

A S²TEM Centers SC Specialist will work directly with teachers to model, observe, assist, and provide feedback in understanding and applying evidence-based mathematics instructional strategies in the classroom through facilitated professional development, classroom observations and coaching conversations. Content will be shared within the context of the new 2025 SCCCR Mathematics Standards.

Program components include:

- Summer Workshop for professional development
- Instructional Coaching (monthly, on-site and virtual, August 2026 to April 2027)

Project Outcomes

- **S**trong foundational teacher mathematical identity
- **E**nhanced teacher confidence in mathematical self-efficacy
- **E**ngaging mathematics classroom learning environments
- **D**evelopment of positive teacher mathematical beliefs and perceptions of students learning mathematics

Timeline

April - May 2026

Partnership Discussions and Commitments (MOA due by 5/15/26)

June 2026

Summer Professional Development (3 days in June 2026, location and dates pending partner commitments / input)

August 2026 – April 2027

Teachers and S²TEM Centers Specialists engage in an ongoing cycle of coaching and support

More Info Available

A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is available for partner review upon request. The MOA provides program details and confirms partner commitments.

Contact Info

Interested partners may contact Tracey Campbell tcampbell@s2temsc.org for further discussion. This project has minimal cost for schools and is only available for a limited number of participants based on an MOA commitment.