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MEMORANDUM

TO: District Superintendents

FROM: Molly M. Spearman
State Superintendent of Education

DATE: April 26, 2017

RE: The ACT[®] Score Reporting Timeline – Update

The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) has asked ACT, Inc. to accelerate score reporting for the ACT 2016–17 administration and asked ACT, Inc. to provide an update on the score reporting timeline. To date, ACT has not provided timely score reporting or provided a complete update on the scoring timeline. However, we want to share some updates at this time.

Students that tested on paper on February 28 should be able to see their scores in their online student accounts beginning on about Friday, April 28. ACT expects their score posting process will continue into next week. ACT tentatively expects paper score reports will start arriving in student homes late this week or next week. ACT does not yet have a timeline available for other paper scores, e.g., students tested on other dates.

The SCDE has asked ACT to release scores for online testing, as well. However, ACT still working through issues associated with technical problems that occurred during online testing and quality control procedures to match students who later tested on paper.

The SCDE has explained to ACT, Inc. that students urgently need their scores so they can apply for colleges, scholarships, housing, etc. The SCDE has also explained that students need their scores so they can know if they need to retest before beginning the college application process. The SCDE continues to press ACT, Inc. to accelerate score reporting, to release online scores, and to provide more information about the scoring timeline. The SCDE has relayed serious concerns to ACT's senior leadership about the score reporting timeline and associated impacts on the students of South Carolina. We will continue to provide updates as they become available. Please watch for additional information.

cc: District Testing Coordinators