

South Carolina Ready to Work Credentials



Career Readiness
Courseware &
Credentials

Statewide Partnership

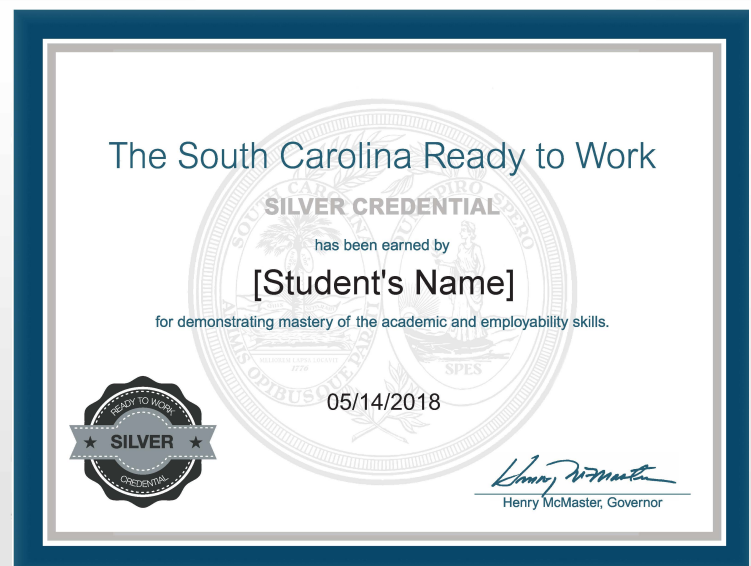
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- South Carolina Department of Employment and Workforce
- South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department
- South Carolina Technical College System
- South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice
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- South Carolina Adult Education



Implementation

South Carolina embarked on a statewide innovative approach to preparing learners for the careers and jobs that align to labor market demand. In partnership with WIN Learning, South Carolina established Ready to Work credentials signed by the governor and administered to all eleventh-grade students and workforce centers to determine achievement in foundational academic readiness and essential soft skills.

South Carolina prepared learners across the state with Ready to Work credentials as an indicator of readiness for on-the-job training, apprenticeship, and employment.



WIN Learning Solution

Applied Mathematics measures foundational workplace mathematical reasoning and problem-solving skills.

Locating Information measures comprehension and application of workplace graphics such as charts, graphs, tables, forms, flowcharts, diagrams, and maps.

Reading for Information measures comprehension and critical thinking using written text including emails, websites, letters, contracts, signs, notices, policies, and regulations.

Essential Soft Skills measures foundational work habits and employability skills that employers nationwide commonly define as essential to gain and maintain employment including cooperate with others, resolve conflict and negotiate, solve problems and make decisions, take responsibility for learning, and observe critically.

WIN Learning, a national career readiness solutions provider and a leading publisher of next generation career readiness assessments, curriculum, and exploration tools provided a turnkey solution for administration, scoring, and reporting for career readiness skills and aptitudes assessments for the State of South Carolina.

The WIN solution included a combination of four valid and reliable assessments that are aligned to state and national standards for career and college readiness and achieved both the state's educational objectives as defined by the Education Accountability Act (Title 59, Chapter 18) and workforce development system objectives.

The WIN Learning assessments were administered statewide, online and in paper form, to approximately 70,000 students and adults annually beginning in spring 2018.