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SCATLL Announces Emerging Leaders Class of 2026-2027

As part of our ongoing support of South Carolina's educators, SCATLL is pleased to announce the selection of the Emerging Leaders Class of 2026-2027.

The South Carolina Emerging Leader Program is comprised of an accomplished group of educators, generally with 5–15 years of experience, who desire to become more involved in our state's educational community. Emerging Leaders (ELs) are passionate and committed to our primary mission of improving the teaching and learning of all students.

Emerging Leaders are expected to share their expertise and exemplary practices with SCATLL members and the larger education community. With a track record of success, ELs leverage their passion and enthusiasm to attract high caliber people to the field and mobilize other young educators to continuously improve their practice and become education leaders.

Through engaging and structured networking experiences, South Carolina Association for Teaching, Learning, and Leading Emerging Leaders have many opportunities to grow their leadership skills and participate in world-class professional development.

2026-2027 SCATLL Emerging Leaders

Jordan Blackwell	<i>Laurens 55</i>	Patricia Manning	<i>Lex/Rich 5</i>
Vanessa Briggs	<i>Spartanburg 7</i>	Ashley Moreira	<i>Greenville</i>
Caytee Chapman	<i>Anderson 1</i>	Sara Morman	<i>Georgetown</i>
Patrick Cook	<i>Spartanburg 7</i>	Margaret Nickerson	<i>Lex/Rich 5</i>
Nichole Criminger	<i>Lexington 1</i>	Nickie Powell	<i>Lex/Rich 5</i>
Megan Drayton	<i>Richland 2</i>	Michelle Powell	<i>Richland 1</i>
Desmond Kennedy	<i>Lexington 1</i>	Courtney Robinson	<i>Lex/Rich 5</i>
Alyssa Likens	<i>Greenville</i>	Archie Temoney, Jr.	<i>Charleston</i>
Pamela Livingston	<i>Richland 1</i>	Shanita Wallace	<i>Spartanburg 4</i>