

To: The Honorable Hugh K. Leatherman, Sr., Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee The Honorable G. Murrell Smith, Jr., Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee The Honorable Rita Allison, Chairman of the House Education Committee

The Honorable Greg Hembree, Chairman of the Senate Education Committee

C. Matthew Ferguson, Executive Director, SC Education Oversight Committee

From: Georgia Mjartan, Executive Director Date: November 30, 2020

RE: SUNS numbers report

Proviso 1A.53 specifies that:

1A.53. (SDE-EIA: CDEPP Student Information and Reporting)

Office of First Steps to School Readiness must acquire unique student identifiers or SUNS numbers for each student enrolled in the CDEPP program no later than the 45th day and must provide a report of such to the House Ways and Means Committee, the House Education Committee, the Senate Finance Committee, the Senate Education Committee and the Education Oversight Committee by November thirtieth.

SC First Steps 4K sent the data for 2,244 enrolled students on our Day #45, October 20, 2020, to the SC Department of Education for the assignment of unique student identifiers. We received the file on October 30, 2020 from SCDE with those acquired 2,244 SUNS numbers.

It is worthy to note that these students are in full time instructional face to face classrooms. Our Day #1 was August 17, 2020. We will continue to update our SUNS number data each 45 days throughout our 2020-2021 term as new students enroll in First Steps 4K classrooms.

We are grateful for the General Assembly's support of South Carolina's youngest learners. I invite you to contact me, as always, if you have any questions or concerns.

cc: David Morley, Chair, SC First Steps Board of Trustees Mark Barnes, Director of Administration, SC First Steps Martha Strickland, 4K State Director, SC First Steps Kenzie Riddle, House Ways and Means Grant Gibson, Senate Education