

# SIC District Contact Digest

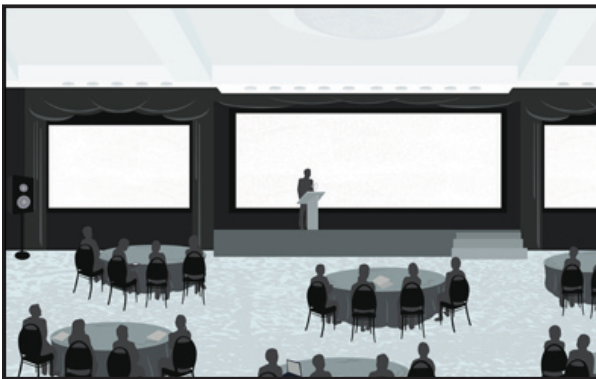
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## 2017 SC-SIC Annual Meeting and Riley Award Celebration Scheduled for Saturday, March 18 at the SC State Museum

This year's SC-SIC Annual Meeting and Riley Award Celebration will be held in the Vista Room at the SC State Museum in Columbia on Saturday, March 18. Beginning with check-in at 9 AM, the meeting will convene at 9:45 AM. A continental breakfast and hot lunch is included in the \$27.00 registration fee. **Please join us and encourage your SIC members to attend as well!**



We have not yet finalized this year's agenda, but we can tell you that it will be packed full of information of interest to SICs including a speaker from the Children's Trust of South Carolina addressing the risks to children associated with Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE's). As in past years, our five SIC finalists for the Dick and Tunky Riley Award for SIC Excellence will also make brief presentations and answer questions about their work. The winner of the 2017 Riley Award will be announced at the end of the program. We'll post the full agenda on our website as soon as it's available.

Pre-registration is required for this event; forms can be obtained from our website

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*See "2017 SC-SIC Annual Meeting"*

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## New Basics Video Training Modules Now Available on the SC-SIC Website!

District Contacts and SICs can now access online (at [sic.sc.gov](http://sic.sc.gov)) a series of three 20-minute video training modules featuring our Executive Director, Tom Hudson. These videos, taken together, cover the material presented in the current SIC handbook, including:

- I. *The Basics of Organizing an SIC* (SIC membership, elections, officers, and membership reporting requirements);
- II. *The Basics of Operating an SIC* (SIC bylaws, effective meetings, member recruitment and retention, and ongoing capacity building); and

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## **New Spanish Language Translations of SIC Materials Now Available Online**

We are very pleased to announce that the following SC-SIC publications are now available in Spanish:

- *This is Your SIC: A Handbook for Effectiveness*
- *School Improvement Councils - @ Work for Public Education* (brochure)

You can download the Spanish language version of these publications from our website at [sic.sc.gov](http://sic.sc.gov). A limited number of print copies of the Handbook in Spanish will also be available soon through our office.

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at [sic.sc.gov](http://sic.sc.gov). If your district or schools have Title I family engagement funds available, they can be used to cover SIC members' registration fees.

If you have any questions about this event, please contact our office and we'll be happy to assist!

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III. *Basic SIC Duties* (SIC duties related to the development of the school improvement plan, setting SIC goals and implementing SIC activities, and reporting on school and SIC progress through the annual *SIC Report to the Parents* and narrative to the *SC School Report Card*).

These videos can be viewed by members who were not able to attend a live, district-wide training or who just need a refresher on a specific topic. SICs may also want to show one or more of the modules as part of a regular SIC meeting. While they are not intended to replace in-person, district-wide trainings (which are available through our office) we hope that they will expand access to this important information to additional SIC members throughout the state.

