

South Carolina High School Credential (i.e., Employability Credential)

South Carolina has roughly 100,000 students with disabilities serviced under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), of which the majority are able to earn a State high school diploma. Given the varying levels of student achievement and ability levels, some students are unable to complete the required high school coursework to be able to achieve a HS diploma. As a result, there is an alternative option for students with disabilities to demonstrate their ability to transition into the work community. This is the uniform state-recognized SC High School Credential. This relatively new course of study is ONLY for these students with disabilities whose Individualized Education Program (IEP) team determines this course of study is appropriate. It is important to note, the student taking these courses does not receive a high school diploma. This is only offered as a course of study for current 9th and 10th graders (and students who will be entering into high school as 9th graders in future years as determined by the IEP team).

The employability courses and course codes should ONLY be applied to students who's IEPs state this is the outcome the student will achieve. Please make sure you work with your school special education coordinator in order to determine which students should be enrolled in these courses.

Teacher Qualifications

An appropriately certified special education teacher can teach the Essentials of Technology special education course. However, it is expected that the special education teacher will collaborate with the appropriately certified general education technology teacher to ensure content alignment and the school must maintain evidence of that collaboration.

An appropriately certified general education teacher can teach the Essentials of Technology special education course. However, it is expected that the general education teacher will collaborate with the special education teacher to ensure appropriate accommodations and supplementary services and aids are utilized as warranted and the school must maintain evidence of that collaboration.

SCHSC Course Name	SCHSC Course Code
Essentials of English I	3900__CW
Essentials of Math I	3901__CW
Essentials of Science I	3902__CW
Essentials of Social Studies I	3903__CW
Employability Education I	3908__CW
Essentials of English II	3910__CW
Essentials of Math II	3911__CW
Essentials of Science II	3912__CW
Essentials of Social Studies II	3913__CW
Employability Education II	3914__CW
Essentials of English III	3920__CW
Essentials of Math III	3921__CW
Employability Education III	3928__CW
Essentials of English IV	3930__CW
Essentials of Math IV	3931__CW
Employability Education IV	3938__CW
Essentials of Technology	39M8__0W (M=any grade level may take the course)

The 5th and 6th digits of the course codes will need to be replaced with the corresponding codes that identifies the teacher's area of certification which is most applicable to the majority of the students in the class.

Severe Disabilities	01
Intellectual Disabilities	02
Learning Disabilities	03
Emotional Disabilities	04
Orthopedically Impaired	05
Blind and Visually Impaired	06
Deaf and Hard of Hearing	07
Speech-Language Therapist	08
Early Childhood Special Education	09
Multi-categorical	10