



**NORTH CAROLINA**  
COALITION FOR  
CHARTER SCHOOLS

# 2022 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA



## PROTECT CHARTER AUTONOMY & FLEXIBILITY

- Seek legislation authorizing charter schools to continue offering virtual education in 2022-23.
- Remove hurdles to school construction: Make school construction a permitted use in all zones; halt unrelated transportation construction fees.
- Allow an enrollment preference for children of grandparents and contract employees serving on a charter school staff or board.
- Amend statutes to grant automatic extensions for charter schools that must delay opening because they are still waiting on local governments' land use decisions.

## PROMOTE ACCURACY & IMPACT IN ACCOUNTABILITY

- Improve enrollment reporting of economically disadvantaged charter students.
- Support legislation limiting district impact statements regarding charter applications and expansions.

## SECURE FAIR FUNDING & REMEDY FUNDING INEQUITIES

- Expand eligibility for the Charter School Transportation Grant Program to include all charter schools with weighted lotteries.
- Eliminate barriers reducing charter students' share of local funds; secure various funding streams and lottery funding grants to help with charter facility costs.
- Ensure equitable COVID-19 grant funding for charter schools.
- Support general teacher and principal pay raises for 2022-23 and 2023-24.
- Include charter schools in recruiting bonuses for new teachers, since one-time bonuses in the budget applied only to LEAs.
- Fund charter schools based on actual ADM even if enrollment exceeds estimated ADM.

## ENSURE CHARTER STUDENT EQUITY IN DISTRICT ADMISSIONS

- Prohibit county school systems from discriminating against eligible students who are not enrolled in the LEA but are applying to special program public schools. Require that all students who are county residents be treated equitably in public school admission lotteries.



The North Carolina Coalition for Charter Schools is a nonprofit trade association [501(C)(6)] that promotes and advocates for North Carolina charter schools.

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