



**NORTH CAROLINA
COALITION FOR
CHARTER SCHOOLS**

2023 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA



AUTONOMY & FLEXIBILITY

- Remove land use and zoning hurdles that hinder school construction.
- Eliminate artificial enrollment caps that prevent students from attending charter schools.
- Provide charter schools with flexibility to offer blended in-person and virtual instruction.

ACCOUNTABILITY

- Support streamlining and improving the charter review and application process.
- Eliminate the use of district impact statements to oppose new charter applications.
- Refine charter academic performance and enrollment diversity comparisons. Ensure that the performance of charter schools serving disadvantaged students is judged on the basis of targeted subgroups, rather than the entire district.
- Stagger terms on the Charter Schools Advisory Board to ensure continuity in oversight.

FAIR FUNDING

- Ensure charter students are funded equally with district students.
- Increase funding for the Charter School Transportation Grant Program. Ensure automatic eligibility for all charter schools with weighted lotteries. Expand grant fund uses to include school buses.
- Allow charter schools to receive needs-based capital funds from counties; give charter schools the opportunity to use state lottery funding for facilities.
- Fully fund school resource officers and school nurses for charter schools.
- Fund charter schools based on actual enrollment. Prohibit Department of Public Instruction policies that limit funding if a charter school exceeds enrollment estimates, even if the school is within its statutory limit.

ADMISSION LOTTERIES

- Prohibit school districts from denying or disadvantaging charter school students seeking admission to district magnet or special program schools.
- Allow a military family enrollment preference in charter 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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