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Superintendent Catherine Truitt State Board of Education Report

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STEM East



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- STEM East connects educators + employers through a network of public and private partnerships.
- Starting with K-12 education, the STEM East Network aligns innovative STEM education programs in Eastern NC with the needs of regional employers to:
 - support career pathways
 - build a solid workforce
 - add value for relocating and expanding businesses

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STEM East: Panel Discussion



- Panel moderated by EdNC
- Joined by MyFutureNC + Commerce Department
- Thoughtful questions:
 - why do you believe this school district, community college, and industry collaboration initiative is important/needed?
 - How does industry collaboration align with DPI's priorities?



STEM East: Panel Discussion





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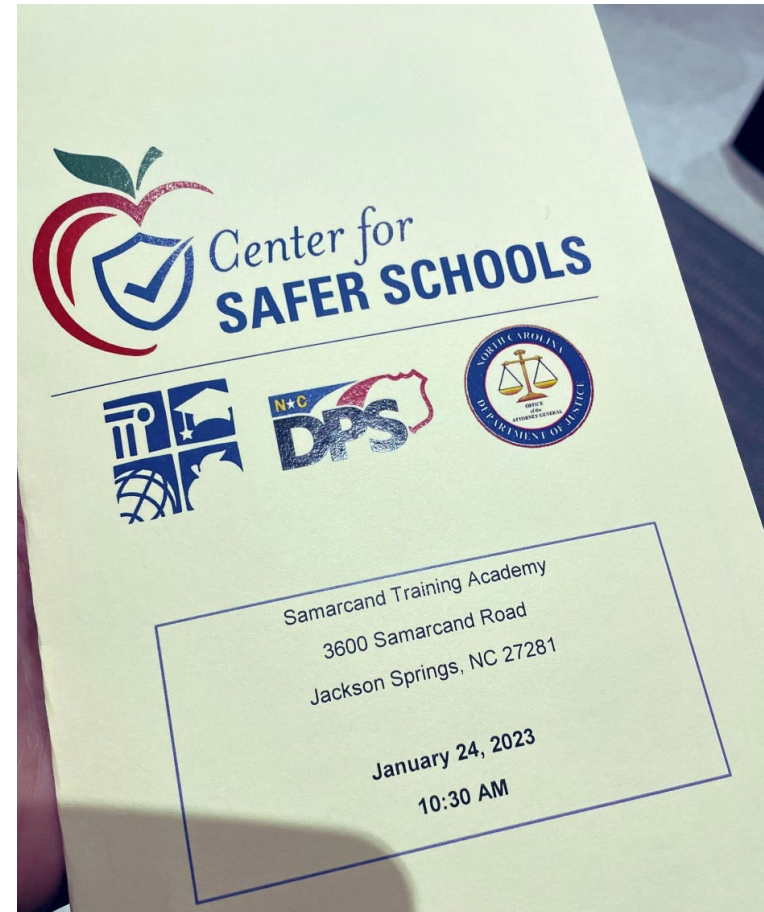
CFSS: Training Facility at Samarcand

- Grand Opening Ceremony on January 24 in Jackson Springs
- State officials: Gov. Cooper, DPS Secretary Eddie Buffaloe, Justice Academy Director Trevor Allen and AG Josh Stein.
- CFSS Director of Training Quintin Trent will be based at the temporary training facility at Samarcand.

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- The CFSS will offer classes monthly in support of promoting safe learning environments in K12
- The training programs will be shifted to the Biscoe location when that center is completed, expected in late 2024.



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Holshouser Legislator's Retreat

- On January 22, I had the opportunity to address a room of newly sworn in legislators on some of the upcoming initiatives at NCDPI.
- In the interest of time, the main focus of discussion was Testing & Accountability, specifically the work around School Performance Grade Resign.
- As we enter a legislative long session and a new year, our goal is to continue drilling down further on possible indicators on School Performance Grades.
- We continue to study other measures that demonstrate how schools are helping students thrive and what they are doing to prepare students for life beyond graduation.
- We have excellent public schools in our state, and this process is about making sure the system used to grade them considers more than just test scores and school growth metrics.



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“The State of Educational Attainment in North Carolina”

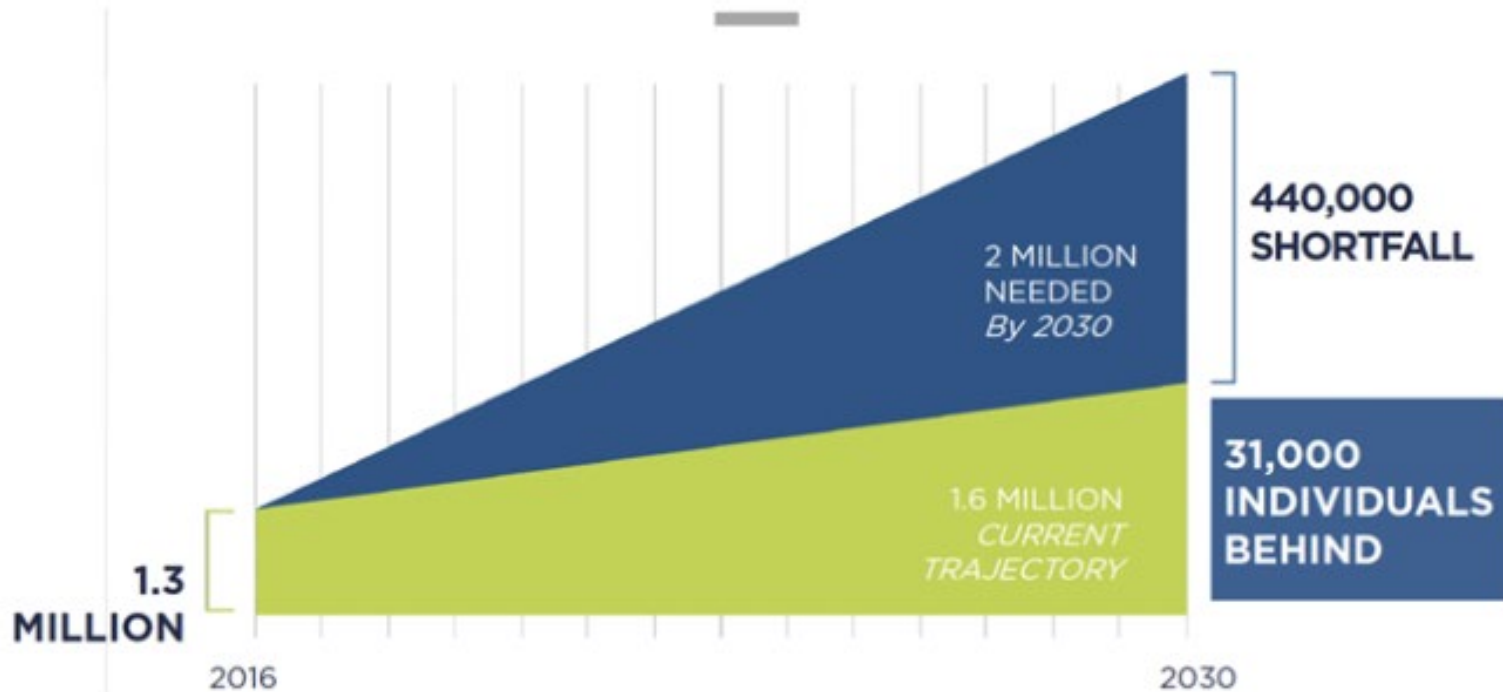


The State of Educational Attainment in NC

- Excellent meeting – sector and business leaders collaborating to help student and adult learners succeed and create the needed talent pipeline to ensure the economy thrives.
- According to myFutureNC, the most recent data shows that for every 100 ninth-grade public school students in NC, only 28 earn a degree or credential within six years of graduating high school.
- Meanwhile, community college enrollment is down 13% since before the pandemic, and jobs requiring a postsecondary degree or credential are projected to increase by 12% by 2030.

The Challenge:

OUR GOAL: 2 MILLION BY 2030



The Opportunity

- myFutureNC shared two legislative proposals that can help move the state towards the 2 million by 2030 goal
- **Career Planning for Every Middle and High School Student:**
 - DPI and SBE's call for mandatory career planning to better position students to explore, engage, and experience opportunities
- **RAISE Scholarships:**
 - Reinforcement and Investment to Strengthen the Economy will extend the state's existing support for no-cost pathways to short-term industry-valued credentials.

SACIE



State Advisory Council on Indian Education (SACIE)

- Bi-Annually, SACIE, in collaboration with NCDPI, sponsors an American Indian Education Summit highlighting K12 education programs and outcomes for Native students.
- Council is composed of 15 members.
- SACIE was honoring its first Director of Indian Education within the agency in 1978, Ms. Bettie Mangum.



SACIE

[American Indian Education Summit](#) | [American Indian Heritage Commission \(nc.gov\)](#)



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NORTH CAROLINA



PORTRAIT of a GRADUATE



POG: Phase II Kickoff

- Beginning Phase II → Rubric Design
- Goal: support educators, admins, and students in building and implementing the durable skills that prepare them for an ever-changing world.
- Phase II
 - **What:** the Rubric Writing Teams will develop grade span rubrics for each of the 7 competencies
 - **Who:** recruited educators, principals/assistant principals, CAOs, school counselors and others with specific knowledge to support this work from all 8 education regions
 - **How:** Battelle for Kids will facilitate the process
 - **When:** March through June 2023



Parent Council



Parent Advisory Commission

- Great attendance at our Parent Advisory Meeting
- Members had the chance to visit the GA and meet with their representatives
- Discussions: personalizing student learning (CBE), learning recovery efforts, and SPG redesign!



Parent Advisory Commission



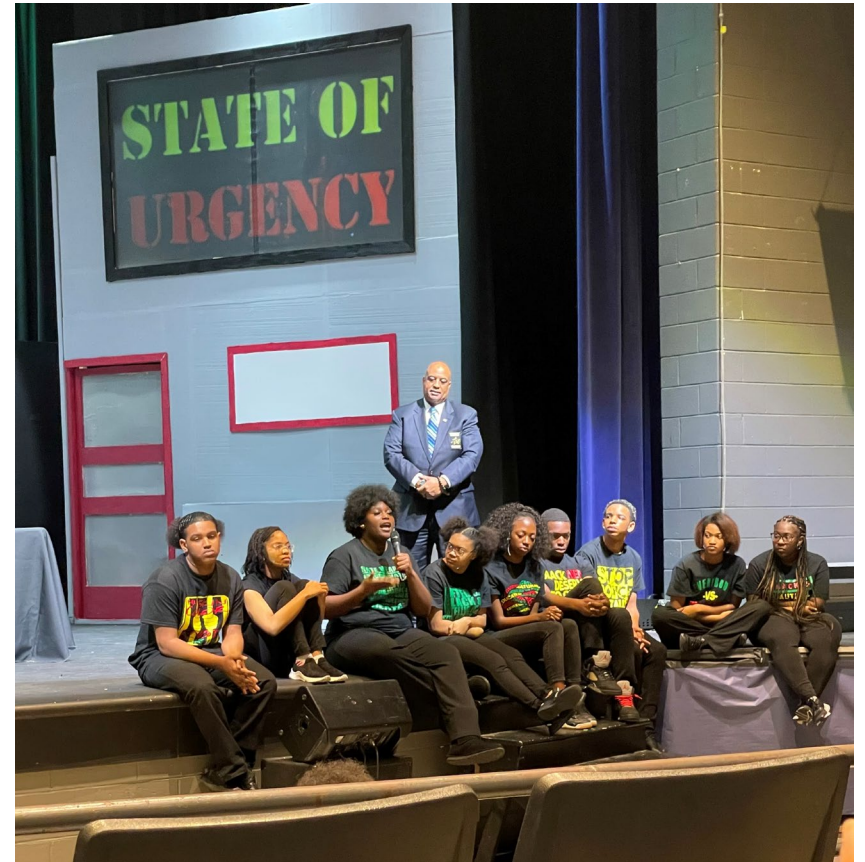
Hillside High School Visit



Hillside High School

STATE OF URGENCY

- Opening Night: “State of Urgency” Play
 - Performed by Hillside High School students
- Attended with CFSS Executive Director Karen Fairley
- Goal: A call to action; to spark conversation
 - social justice
 - violence
 - student and school safety
- At the heart of the production are the students



Questions?

