



OFFICE OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT

North Carolina Department of Public Instruction

Superintendent Catherine Truitt State Board of Education Report

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School Visits



Hoke County Marching Band

- Hoke County High School's Mighty Marching Bucks performed their halftime show on Halifax Mall in Raleigh in Celebration of Arts in Education Week.



Wake Preparatory Academy Visit

- Students and staff at Wake Preparatory Academy showcased their innovative approaches to math and early literacy.



Tyrell Blue Celebration

- Tyrell County Schools hosted a Blue Celebration to celebrate Tyrell Elementary School shedding its low-performing designation.



Community Engagement



Women's State Education Leaders Retreat

- Cohosted the inaugural Women's State Education Leaders Retreat at SAS.
- Opportunity to network with peers, discuss unique leadership challenges and collaborate and strengthen education across the country.

Photos courtesy of The Hunt Institute.



NC Forestry Association's Annual Meeting

- Keynote speaker at the NC Forestry Association's annual meeting.
- Shared how the NC Portrait of a Graduate and CTE programming can build the career pipeline and further forestry-related industries in North Carolina.



Budget Updates



Budget

- Budget released on September 22, will become law on October 3 without the governor's signature.
- Key Points:
 - More than \$600 million additional dollars for public education, totaling almost \$13.5 billion for North Carolina's K-12 public school system.
 - 7% raise for teachers over the next two years
 - \$13 million for Advanced Teaching Roles
 - Millions for additional school support staff, along with the autonomy for districts to decide how to use that funding
 - \$70 million for the Center for Safer Schools' safety grants



Budget, cont.

- Key Points, cont.:
 - More than \$250 million for school construction costs
 - \$2 million for Career Technical Education
 - Millions more investment into early literacy efforts
 - \$30 million for Teacher Supplement Assistance
 - Funding for “TA to Teachers” is available for the first time to the entire state
 - State will fully cover the cost of the Reduced Priced Meal co-pays for families who qualify



Questions?

