



OFFICE OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT

North Carolina Department of Public Instruction

Superintendent Catherine Truitt State Board of Education Report

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Community Engagement



North Carolina Chamber: Education and the Workforce Conference

- Introduced keynote speaker, Dr. Bill Daggett
- Spoke on a panel and shared the ways that North Carolina's public schools are refreshing, rethinking and realigning K-12 education based on the needs of our ever-changing world.



Bertie County Schools Convocation

- BCC's theme: view obstacles as opportunities to disrupt the status quo.
- Highlighted how NCDPI and schools across the state are taking the challenges related to reading, readiness and reform and implementing innovative and data-driven solutions.
 - Celebrated Bertie County Schools' successes around LETRS, early elementary reading growth, as well as their Dream Point Apartments project, which aims to tackle teacher pipeline concerns



Communities in Schools of North Carolina Annual Impact Conference

- Spoke on a panel focused on the state of K12 education in North Carolina and the impact of postgraduate readiness on the workforce.



Charlotte Regional Business Alliance – Advocacy in Action

- Discussed how credentialing, technology, durable skills play into workforce readiness with business leaders from across the Charlotte area.



Rocky Mount Chamber of Commerce

- Discussed how North Carolina's public schools are addressing and preparing our students for workforce development with business and community members in Rocky Mount.



Back to School



HB 605 – Threat Assessment Teams

- Passed on July 7 with bipartisan support.
- HB 605 establishes threat assessment teams at all North Carolina Schools beginning in the 2024-25 school year.
- Behavioral threat assessment is a best practice for helping identify potential threats in K12 schools and school districts.
 - Behavioral threat assessment and management provides a proactive, evidence-based approach for identifying individuals who might pose a threat to themselves or others and for providing intervention before an incident.
 - Not punitive - leads to the intervention, assistance and resources they deserve before an incident occurs.

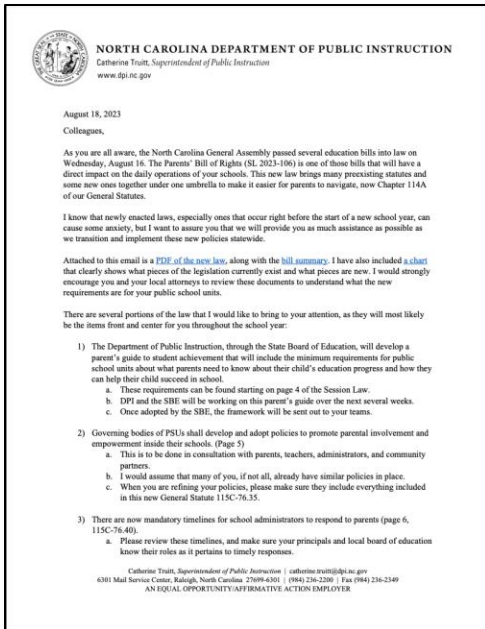


Update on Communications to Superintendents

Parents' Bill of Rights



Communications Timeline



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ing the notification by a parent, bringing an action to the courts using the procedures, as well as what is required because you and your school building must be shared information survey without current version of policies and out in 115C-76.70 found on


by September 15 each year. I have notified the SBE that we will waive this requirement next month, as we are working with the General Assembly to push out the date of the initial reporting requirement. We will provide more information once we receive it.

There are other sections in this law that I did not cover here but are just as important for you to review with your teams at the local level.

We recognize and sympathize that the turnaround time for this legislation is less than ideal. However, I believe it is in the best interest for all of us, our students, their parents, and for lawmakers, that we spend the necessary time setting up these policies and procedures in a methodical manner.

We will continue to update you as we receive more information.

All the best,


Catherine Truitt, Superintendent

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AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYER

- August 16 - Legislation passed
- August 18 - Initial communication with resources sent to superintendents
 - PDF of the new law
 - Bill summary
 - Chart outlining pre-existing and new legislation
 - Overview of key updates from the legislation
- August 23 - NCASA call with superintendents



Questions?

