

## **STUDENT VOTER REGISTRATION AND PREREGISTRATION**

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The Watauga County Board of Education (the “board”) is committed to securing the future of democracy by preparing young people to be educated, engaged voters. Further, the board is committed to working in collaboration with the local board of elections to encourage students who are sixteen years of age or older to register or preregister to vote as permitted by North Carolina law.

In keeping with this commitment, the board directs the superintendent to establish a committee of high school social studies teachers and other appropriate school personnel to collaborate with the local board of elections to facilitate and encourage voter registration and preregistration at all high schools in the school system.

The principal of each high school shall make the application forms described in G.S. 163-82.3 available to all students and others who are eligible to register or preregister to vote.

Legal References: G.S. 115C-47(59); 163—82.1, -82.3, -82.23 NAACP v. McCrory, 831 F.3d 204 (4th Cir. 2016)

Cross References: Citizenship and Character Education (policy 3530)

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