



Superintendent's Website Message September 2025

Greetings, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools Families!

Thank you for a fantastic start to the 2025-26 school year! We are excited about the new year and the endless possibilities that lie ahead.

During my school visits to kick off the new year, I have seen engaged and excited students learning in warm, nurturing environments that foster creativity and curiosity. Of course, our teachers play a pivotal role in this dynamic as they guide students with enthusiasm and provide personalized attention. It's these types of enriching environments that not only enhance academic performance but also inspire a lifelong love of learning.

As you and your students settle into the new school year, please make sure you set up your [Infinite Campus Parent Portal profile](#) and download the app. Infinite Campus is the new student information system for the state of North Carolina and is where you can find announcements, assignments, attendance information, grades, your child's schedule and so much more. Also, be sure to download the [ParentSquare app](#) to stay up to date on district and school news.

There is still time to [apply for free and reduced-price meal benefits](#). If you haven't already, please provide your school with your student's [required immunization information](#).

As we look forward to the year ahead, we are taking time to celebrate our students' phenomenal academic achievements for the 2024-25 school year. Earlier this week, the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction released the 2024-25 State Accountability results. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools' performance was nothing short of historic:

- Our district ranks No. 10 out of 115 public school districts in North Carolina for percent of schools meeting or exceeding growth – highest ranking in Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools history
- Record Growth
 - 89.1% (156 schools) of CMS schools met or exceeded growth – highest in Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools history
 - 65.7% (115 schools) exceeded growth – highest in district history
- Outstanding increases in grade level proficiency
 - Reading (grades 3-8) – 5.2%

- Math (grades 3-8) – 4.6%
- Math III – 8.2%
- Phenomenal School Performance
 - 123 schools (70%) earned a school performance grade of A, B, or C (an increase of 21 from 2023-24) – the largest single-year increase in CMS history
 - 55 schools improved school letter grades – the largest single-year increase in CMS history
 - 31 schools no longer have a state low-performing designation – largest single-year decrease in number of schools with low performing designation in CMS history

None of these outstanding results would be possible without the hard work and dedication of our students, teachers, school leaders, staff, families and community partners. We are grateful for your support and look forward to continuing our pursuit of excellence in building brighter futures and expanding opportunities for every student.

Thank you for your continued support and for choosing Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools.

In service and partnership,

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