



Greetings, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools Families!

As we welcome the month of March, I want to take a moment to celebrate the many exciting things happening across Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools and to thank you for your continued partnership in our students' success.

Since January, seventh graders across the district have been participating in the [Amazing Shake](#) – a global, high-impact leadership competition created by the Ron Clark Academy that challenges students to think on their feet. In late February, students who placed at the [Semi-Finals](#) made their way to the Amazing Shake District Finals at the Junior Achievement of Central Carolinas location at Camp North End. Six students were originally planned to advance to the next stage, but in the end, nine 'amazing' students were selected to go to represent Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools at the Global Finals in Atlanta later this month.

We recently recognized our mid-year graduates at two ceremonies attended by hundreds of proud parents, family and friends. We salute these students for their determination, resilience and commitment and wish them much success in their future endeavors.

We also are thrilled to cheer on [Nyla Martin](#), a student at Northwest School of the Arts, who appeared on ABC's *American Idol* and secured a golden ticket to compete in Hollywood. Congratulations to Nyla!

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools is committed to ensuring our district is positioned to meet the needs of students and families – now and in the future. To that end, we presented a [Draft Plan in Response to the 2024 Comprehensive Review](#) at the Board of Education meeting on Feb. 24, which focuses on creating a more equitable and accessible continuous choice pathway – from kindergarten through high school – for as many students as possible. If adopted in the future, this proposal could influence:

- Where some students attend school
- Transportation routes and assignments
- Available program options and student choice pathways

The Draft Plan in Response to the 2024 Comprehensive Review represents a starting point for discussion – **no decisions have been made**. We are committed to a thoughtful, transparent and community-centered process every step of the way.

Throughout March, we will host [community input sessions](#), offering families, staff and stakeholders multiple opportunities to review information, ask questions and share input. Your voice will help shape the direction of this work; we look forward to seeing you at one of the community sessions and hearing your thoughts.

Thank you for your continued dedication to our students and to the mission of Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools. Together, we are creating Endless Possibilities for every learner.

In service and partnership,

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