

Gaston County

NC Pre-K Administrative Committee

August 20, 2026 via Google Meet

Time: 11:30 am

Agenda

Welcome to all!

- A. Call to order (co-chairs)
- B. Adoption of Agenda - action
- C. Approval of Minutes (May 21, 2026-in packet)
- D. Public comments

- E. 26-27 slots (August - May)
 - Gaston County Schools- 216+ children @ \$525/slot (\$94,500 for classroom of 18 annually)
 - HH Beam
 - BCP
 - Chapel Grove
 - Cherryville
 - Lingerfeldt
 - Lowell
 - Page
 - Pinewood
 - Robinson
 - Sadler/Sadler EC
 - Sherwood
 - Springfield/Springfiled EC

 - Private sites - 440 children @\$748/slot (\$134,640 for classroom of 18 annually)
 - CCN 99 (Union Rd.-54 slots)
 - CCN 144 (Belmont-36 slots)
 - CCN 240 (Oak Hollow Rd. -36 slots)
 - Cline-Dallas Cherryville Hwy (36 slots),
 - Cline- Trade Street (36 slots)
 - Gaston Learning Academy (36 slots)
 - Learning Jungle (Cox Rd. -54 slots)
 - Learn & Play- High Shoals area (18 slots)
 - Bright Futures-McAdenville (44 slots)
 - A Toddler Tech (36 slots)
 - New Hope for Kids (54 slots)

 - Head Start - 36 children @ \$449/slot (\$80,820 for classroom of 18 annually)

- F. 26-27 updates:
- 1,100 applications for approximately 700 slots; some incomplete or over income; continuing to come in daily and reviewed/placed on WL based on need
 - Frog Street continues as selected curriculum
 - Relocation of classroom at Lingerfeldt
 - Professional Development for staff
 - Aug 4th CPR/First Aid (thru Partnership for Children)
 - Aug 10th at Gaston College (GCS and private)
 - Sarah Morrison from DPI (Literacy)
 - Dominique Vanderbush (First 6 weeks)
 - Erika Reynolds (Pyramid Model)
 - Aug 12th at Gaston County Public Library (GCS)
 - Christine Rosinski -DCDEE
 - Hannah McCool and David Mejia -Gaston County Environmental Health
 - Linda McConnell -NCPK Expectations/Reminders and Staff Handbook
 - Supplies
 - Transitioning into school activities
 - Home visits
 - Orientations, Open House/Meet and Greet
 - Family Handbook
 - Staggered entry (weeks of Aug 17 and 24; all students, full day beginning Aug 31)
 - Bus issues
 - FINCH Literacy Screener and Brigance
- G. NCPK Gaston Committee Duties today: (vote)
- Review 26-27 NCPK Contract
 - Slot numbers
 - Reimbursement rates
 - Approve contract and budget allocations
 - Adopt Conflict of Interest Policy (approve and sign annually)
 - Set meeting schedule for new school year
 - Review Assurance and Requirements (Section 1 of County Region Plan; annual signatures required)
 - Review and approve all required written plans
 - Transportation
 - Transition
 - Family Engagement

- Working with children/families with Limited English Proficiency
 - Prevention of suspension/expulsion of children with challenging behaviors
 - Approve by vote any fees charged for transportation/meals
 - Approve by vote authority for GCS to reallocate slots across NCPK sites without NCPK Committee approval
 - Review any updates/changes made to NCPK Program Requirements
- Aug. 2026

H. NCPK Committee Membership update

- Any unfilled required seats
 - Licensed childcare rep
 - Public school rep/ec or title 1
 - Parent rep
 - HS rep
 - Childcare agency rep
 - County rep
 - Health/medical professional rep
 - Other rep

I. Future NCPK Committee meetings 26-27:

- July/August Committee meeting - August 20, 2026
- Jan/Feb NCPK Committee Meeting - January 21, 2027
- May 20, 2027

J. State updates

K. Other:

L. Adjourn (action)