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It shall be the policy of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education to promote full and equal access to business opportunities with Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools. Small business enterprises as well as other responsible vendors shall have a fair and reasonable opportunity to participate in CMS business opportunities.

The Superintendent shall implement a Small Business Program that includes aspirational goals for small business utilization in proportion to the availability of qualified vendors in particular areas of procurement. The establishment and any future modifications of the aspirational goals should be based on a disparity study and/or other objective evaluations of the small business utilization in proportion to the availability of qualified vendors in the particular areas of procurement. On an annual basis, the administration shall report to the Board regarding small business utilization in comparison to the aspirational goals.

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Legal Reference: [N.C.G.S. § 115C-522](#), [143-129](#) *et seq*, [143-64.32](#)

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