



The Coalition has developed a strategic charter advocacy agenda targeting both the legislative and policy arenas. We will promote an ambitious slate of legislative priorities during the General Assembly's 2026 short session, while also advocating with the Charter Schools Review Board, State Board of Education, and Department of Public Instruction.



Our Priorities

Fair Funding

- Ensure fair funding for charter schools at both the state and local level.
- Remove the cap on EC (Exceptional Children) student funding and streamline the EC student transfer process.
- Ensure uniformity in local funding payments to charter schools, with funding spanning all 12 months (July through June).
- Secure more equitable funding for school resource officers (SROs) at charter schools.
- Standardize the process for late local payments to charter schools.



Oversight and Accountability

- Enforce statutory provisions in Senate Bill 254/Session Law 2025-80 that clarify and strengthen Charter Schools Review Board (CSRB) authority.
- Ensure CSRB reviews and approves all charter school noncompliance status notifications.
- Shift the annual reporting deadline for charter school audits from October 31 to December 31.
- Align North Carolina's charter agreement with state statute.

Autonomy and Flexibility

- Protect charter schools from regulations that undermine their statutory autonomy.
- Ensure charter schools retain ongoing flexibility to pursue alternative models of instruction, such as fully remote or blended academies.