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NC State Board of Education
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Dear Chairperson Cobey and NC State Board Members:

We, the Halifax County School Board, acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated August 10, 2015 in regards to directives as set forth for the Halifax County Board of Education. In 2009, the Halifax County School Board signed a court order that outlined recommendations designed to improve student performance. In partnership with NCDPI personnel, district office staff and board members have tried to make every effort to comply with the court order.

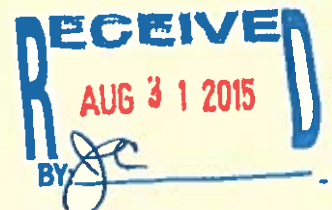
The HCSB will work together with all state leaders whose goals, like those of the HCSB, are to ensure that every child has access to a high quality education. The parents in this county work hard every day to send their children to the schools in their communities. Because of that, the learning environment in every classroom should provide a 21st Century education for every child.

We know that when we continue to work together in compliance with state leadership, the children who are the future of Halifax County will be the beneficiaries.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Hardy
Halifax County School Board-Chairwoman

Enclosures



**C: Honorable Chief Judge Donald Stephens, Wake County Superior Court
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