

North Carolina Coalition for Charter Schools

2024 Annual Report

Presentation to the Charter Schools Review Board

September 8, 2025

Agenda

1. Why We Exist
2. How We Accomplish Our Mission
3. 2024 Accomplishments
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Why We Exist

- Founded in 2018 to protect and promote public charter schools
- Three core functions:
 - Legislative advocacy
 - Communications
 - Education
- 2024 by the numbers:



**94 member
schools**



**72k+ students
served by
member schools**



**85k+ students
remain on charter
waitlists**

How We Accomplish Our Mission

- As a 501(c)(6), the Coalition has unlimited ability to lobby and promote the interests of public charter schools
- Policy advocacy for fair funding + autonomy with support from North Carolina's top government relations experts
- Legal interpretation and guidance from one of North Carolina's leading legal minds
- Communications support from an experienced team

2024 Accomplishments

- Successful advocacy to:
 - Secure charter enrollment **growth funding**
 - New opportunity for participation in the **State Health Plan**
 - Hurricane **Helene recovery** support
 - Support **CSRB's authority** as a nonpartisan, technocratic body
- Persistent public communications to emphasize key themes:
 - Public charter schools **complement**, rather than compete with, district schools
 - Parents ought to have a choice in their public schooling, and the **more choices** the better

Bipartisanship

- The Coalition engages and supports stakeholders from all political parties
- Our member schools have leaders across the political spectrum
- Universal goal: Protect and promote public charter schools



“Some of the best environments for innovation that we’ve seen across North Carolina and across the country have been charter schools.”

- House Speaker Destin Hall (R-Caldwell)



“Public charter schools are not our enemy. They are part of our community. It’s a new way of thinking, a new way of engaging – and it’s a wonderful opportunity to enhance educational opportunities for our young ones.”

- Rep. James Roberson (D-Wake)