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Please see the statement below from Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools Acting Superintendent, Dr. Melissa Balknight:

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools remains focused on our most important responsibility: serving our students and families and supporting our educators and employees each day.

We recognize that recent events and the public conversations surrounding the district are important to our families, employees and community. CMS is fortunate to have a strong team of experienced leaders and dedicated staff who continue to move our work forward every day. Across our schools and district, our focus remains on teaching and learning, student safety, and providing the services and support our students and families deserve.

As Acting Superintendent, I want our families to know that I remain fully committed to the goals, priorities and actions outlined in our Strategic Plan. Our work to improve student outcomes, strengthen partnerships with families and create opportunities for every student continues without interruption.

I am honored to serve in this role and deeply committed to supporting our students, employees and families during this time. Today, I met with all school and district leaders, and we reaffirmed our shared commitment to meeting the individual needs of each of our more than 139,000 students. That commitment is at the heart of everything we do.

This work is made possible by every member of Team CMS. From teachers and school leaders to bus drivers, cafeteria teams, custodians, maintenance staff, safety personnel and the employees working behind the scenes, thousands of dedicated people come together each day to keep our schools running and our students moving forward.

We also understand that public trust is built through accountability, honesty and transparency. Most importantly, our commitment to the students we serve has not changed. Our schools are open and serving students, our work continues, and our employees remain dedicated to ensuring that every student has the opportunity to learn, grow and experience Endless Possibilities.

Together, we will continue to support one another, serve our students and families, and move forward with purpose and care.

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