

State of North Carolina

JOSH STEIN
GOVERNOR

May 6, 2025

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 15

GOVERNOR'S TEACHER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, teachers are highly skilled professionals who are essential to the success of our public schools in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, teachers are a critical component in ensuring that every student receives a sound basic education in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, teachers work to support all students as they learn, develop, and grow; and

WHEREAS, teachers are foundational to our democracy – creating an educated and engaged citizenry; and

WHEREAS, teachers are committed to working with a wide range of community organizations, businesses, and other partners, including parents, to address students' educational potential and needs; and

WHEREAS, teachers are often the first group of people a student will reach out to during times of trauma and distress; and

WHEREAS, teachers seek to develop the whole child, meeting the physical, social, and emotional needs of their students; and

WHEREAS, teachers strive to use innovative and engaging approaches to ensure that all students receive individualized instruction; and

WHEREAS, teachers pursue high quality professional development to bring best practices to the classroom; and

WHEREAS, teachers prepare students across North Carolina from pre-kindergarten through grade 12 to graduate from high school ready to pursue post-secondary education or a career; and

WHEREAS, it is important for teachers to share their specialized knowledge and skills to enhance public education and help public officials understand how the impact of their decisions affects the classroom; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article III of the North Carolina Constitution and N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 143A-4 and 143B-4, the Governor is the chief executive officer of the state and is responsible for formulating and administering the policies of the executive branch of state government; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 147-12, the Governor has the authority and the duty to supervise the official conduct of all executive and ministerial officers.

NOW, THEREFORE, the authority vested in the undersigned as Governor by the Constitution and the laws of the State of North Carolina, **IT IS ORDERED**:

Section 1. Establishment.

The Governor's Teacher Advisory Committee (Committee) is hereby established.

Section 2. Membership.

The Committee shall be comprised of no more than thirty (30) members, including chair(s). Members shall be active or former classroom teachers. Members should represent the geographic, economic, and demographic diversity of North Carolina.

All members shall be appointed by the Governor and shall serve at his pleasure. Committee members shall serve a term of two (2) years and may be appointed to successive terms.

The Governor shall select the chair or co-chairs to lead the Committee.

Section 3. Duties.

Committee members shall have the following responsibilities:

- a. Advise the Governor regarding the impact of the following on students, teachers, and schools:
 1. state and federal education policies for pre-kindergarten through grade 12;
 2. local board of education policies that are not beneficial nor required by state or federal laws, policies or regulations;
 3. the state budget;
 4. proposed or pending state or federal legislation, policies or regulations; and
 5. other issues related to education deemed appropriate by the Governor.
- b. Serve as Education Ambassadors for the Governor, including, but not limited to the following:
 1. representing the Governor at designated events;
 2. establishing and maintaining positive communications with local boards of education and education stakeholders for the purpose of sharing the Governor's education agenda;
 3. sharing information about opportunities for the Governor to support teachers in their critical roles; and
 4. highlighting successful programs and practices in their local school systems that can be replicated in other parts of the state.

Section 4. Meetings.

The Committee shall meet quarterly and at the call of the Chair or the Governor. A simple majority of the Committee shall constitute a quorum to transact business. The Committee's meetings shall be governed by the North Carolina Open Meetings Laws, N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143-318.9, *et seq.*

Section 5. Administration.


The Committee shall serve without compensation but may receive per diem allowance and reimbursement for travel and subsistence expenses in accordance with state law and Office of State Budget and Management policies and regulations.

The Committee shall be staffed by the Office of the Governor.

Section 6. Effective Date.

This Executive Order is effective immediately. It supersedes all other executive orders on this subject. It shall remain in effect until May 6, 2029, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 147-16.2, or until rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capital in the City of Raleigh, this 6th day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-five.


Josh Stein
Governor

ATTEST:


Elaine F. Marshall
Secretary of State

