

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER

GOVERNOR

NATIONAL CHARTER SCHOOLS WEEK

2024

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, charter schools are public schools that increase learning opportunities for all students and provide parents and students with expanded opportunities within the public school system; and

WHEREAS, there are 211 charter schools operating in North Carolina, serving over 140,000 students; and

WHEREAS, charter schools seek to improve student learning by encouraging the development of innovative teaching methods and providing new professional opportunities for teachers; and

WHEREAS, many charter schools are designed to serve children from traditionally underserved communities; and

WHEREAS, charter schools play an integral role in North Carolina's public education system, the communities in which they operate, the families they serve, and the students' lives they impact; and

WHEREAS, charter schools encourage community and parental involvement in the education of our youth; and

WHEREAS, charter schools offer a variety of learning environments and emphases, including college-preparedness, career technical education, arts, and STEM; and

WHEREAS, Governor Roy Cooper has declared 2024 as the "Year of Public Schools" in North Carolina, and the State of North Carolina joins the North Carolina Association for Public Charter Schools in celebrating the accomplishments and contributions of charter schools to public education;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 12 – 18, 2024, as "**NATIONAL CHARTER SCHOOLS WEEK**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.

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IN WITH SS WHERE F, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this thirteenth day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-four and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-eighth.