

State of North Carolina

JOSH STEIN

GOVERNOR

NORTH CAROLINA COLLEGE APPLICATION WEEK

2025

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the First in Talent: Strategic Economic Development Plan for the State of North Carolina sets a goal to prepare North Carolina's workforce for career and entrepreneurial success; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina has set a statewide educational attainment goal to increase the number of individuals holding an industry-valued credential or postsecondary degree to two million by 2030; and

WHEREAS, myFutureNC's 2025 Educational Attainment Report shows that the state is "projected to fall short by 55K with a degree or credential by year-end 2030"; and

WHEREAS, College for North Carolina (CFNC) is a free resource funded by the North Carolina State Education Assistance Authority (NCSEAA) that promotes access to higher education and assists students with education planning, career planning, and applying and paying for college in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, during October, CFNC will kick off NC Countdown to College, a year-long statewide campaign to support North Carolinians in researching future careers, applying to college, and completing the steps to obtain financial aid; and

WHEREAS, as part of Countdown to College, during College Application Week, October 20 - 26, 2025, many North Carolina colleges and universities will waive application fees, helping to ensure that no student is deprived of the opportunity to pursue admission to the institution(s) of their choice; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina encourages students to use CFNC.org to research higher education opportunities and submit college applications and to use their CFNC accounts to visit NCcareers.org to explore careers;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 20 – 26, 2025, as "**NORTH CAROLINA COLLEGE APPLICATION WEEK**" in North Carolina and commend its observance to all citizens.

JOSH STEIN
Governor

IN WI SS WHE OF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-third day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-fifth and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-ninth.