



# State of North Carolina

**JOSH STEIN**  
GOVERNOR

**STUDENTS@WORK MONTH**

**2026**

**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

## **A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Students@Work initiative is celebrating 16 years of offering 360,000 North Carolina public school students the chance to connect classroom learning with careers they may choose to explore in the future; and

**WHEREAS**, Students@Work is a partnership between the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction and the North Carolina Business Committee for Education; and

**WHEREAS**, many North Carolina students should be aware of fascinating careers available within their local communities and across the state; and

**WHEREAS**, traditional classroom curriculum needs real-world visibility to adequately prepare students for a global and rapidly changing economy; and

**WHEREAS**, hundreds of North Carolina businesses are helping to expand perspectives for future job seekers; and

**WHEREAS**, job exposure is a critical first step in integrating work-based learning into the lives of North Carolina students, adding relevancy to their classrooms, helping them to successfully navigate career pathways, and ensuring that North Carolina is job ready;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 2026 as “**STUDENTS@WORK MONTH**” in North Carolina and commend its observance to all residents.





**JOSH STEIN**  
Governor

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-fifth day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-sixth and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fiftieth.