

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF
THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LOCAL CONTROL OF SCHOOL CALENDARS

- WHEREAS, on January 12, 2023 the Buncombe County Board of Education passed a resolution supporting an amendment to the current school calendar law and requesting that local school boards have more flexibility in the start date of the school calendar;
- WHEREAS, state law establishes a statewide, mandatory start and end date for all school districts to start no earlier than the Monday closest to August 26 and the end date is no later than the Friday closest to June 11;
- WHEREAS, the school calendar law resulted in school starting no earlier than August 29 for the 2022-2023 school year, and no earlier than August 28 for the 2023-2024 school year, and, as a result, the schools within Buncombe County are unable to complete the first semester until mid to late January;
- WHEREAS, parents overwhelmingly support a school calendar where the Fall semester ends in December; and
- WHEREAS, December 12, 2022, the North Carolina House Select Committee on An Education System for North Carolina's Future found that the current school calendar law is not best suited to the needs of students and educators and that local boards of education should be given greater calendar flexibility.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Buncombe as follows:

1. That the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners supports the Buncombe County Board of Education and urges the General Assembly to grant local boards of education greater calendar flexibility.
2. That this resolution be effective upon adoption.

Adopted this 7th day of February, 2023.

ATTEST

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FOR THE COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE

Lamar Joyner, Clerk

By: _____
Brownie Newman, Chairman

APPROVED AS TO FORM

County Attorney