



# Inside Your Anson County Schools

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## Letter from Superintendent Howard E. McLean

Dear Anson County Stakeholders,

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year! As we open our doors on August 29, the runway leading up to the start of this school year has been eventful and challenging at times for everyone, but our team of educators is moving forward and is encouraged by a fresh beginning full of new opportunities for students.

The start of school is a chance for us to reflect on our school district's goals:

- Anson County Schools (ACS) will ensure every school creates a positive school environment where all students and staff want to attend, learn, and work as measured by yearly climate surveys. Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) strategies will be implemented with fidelity at every school in order to decrease the number of major and minor student incidences by 10% yearly.
- Anson County Schools will reduce overall chronic teacher absenteeism by 5% yearly to 42% in 2022 to 40% in 2023 to 38% in 2024.
- By 2024, Anson County Schools will utilize an instructional framework to deliver a differentiated student-centered approach to learning, resulting in a grade level proficiency composite growth from 41.9% (2018 data) to 46.9% (2021), 51.9% (2023), and 56.9 (2024)%.

Every opportunity for continuous learning will be given to our students as we continue to focus on improving ways for students to become active participants in the global community. Every challenge that emerges will be thoughtfully discussed and reviewed by a team of educators, administrators, board members, parents, and students when appropriate. Areas of concern such as instruction, health and safety, social-emotional wellness, family and community engagement, and operations issues will continue to be addressed throughout the year. Continuously monitoring changing circumstances and direction from governmental agencies will guide our path forward. Our decisions will be based on data and science while keeping the safety of students and employees as our first priority.

Our district continues to thrive because of the unwavering commitment from our amazing employees, and we are eager to move forward on our path toward a successful school year. We appreciate everyone's contributions including all of the hard work and determination put forth by our employees who have been participating in summer learning and professional development sessions focused on improving learning for our students

Lastly, we cannot do our work and be successful without partnering with our community. Stakeholders, we encourage you to consider supporting our school improvement teams, parent/teacher organizations, athletic and extracurricular programs and other school volunteer opportunities. Connecting with these organizations and programs along with our teachers, principals, counselors, and support personnel is critical at this time to ensure that the tradition of a high-quality, public school education within the Anson County School District continues now and in the future.

I'm looking forward to a successful year ahead in Anson County Schools, "Where Greatness Grows"!

*Thank you, Howard E. McLean, Ed.S., Superintendent of Schools*

## Upcoming Board of Education Meeting Dates

All Regular Board Meetings (with the exception of the December meeting, the Annual Budget Development Workshop in April) will begin at 4:00 p.m. with Closed Session immediately following the opening of the meeting. Open Session should begin at 5:30 p.m.

Any changes in time will be posted on the Anson County Schools website: [ansonschools.org](http://ansonschools.org)

and will be posted on the doors at the Board of Education District Office.

Meetings will be held at the Board of Education Office, which is located on 320 Camden Road in Wadesboro, unless otherwise noted in the local newspapers or on our website.

August 29, 2022

September 26, 2022

October 24, 2022

November 21, 2022

December 12, 2022

Closed Session begins 3:00 p.m.  
Open Session begins 4:30 p.m.

January 30, 2023

February 27, 2023

March 27, 2023

April 20, 2023

Budget Development Workshop 3:30-5:30 p.m.  
(Additional dates to be determined if needed.)

April 24, 2023

Regular meeting

May 22, 2023

June 29, 2023

## Anson County Schools SUPPLY LIST 2022 - 2023



Visit our website at [www.ansonschools.org](http://www.ansonschools.org) for a supply list for your child's school!

These are general school supply lists. You can choose to purchase early, or wait until Open House to obtain a more specific list for your child. Open House will be held on Thursday, August 25.

### All K-5 Students

- Bookbag (without wheels/rollers)
- #2 Wooden (yellow) pencils (decorative pencils are more difficult to sharpen and may cause damage to the pencil sharpener)
- Earbuds/Headphones (Headphones only for Kindergarten)

### Kindergarten

- Rectangular Pink eraser (Such as PaperMate)
- 3-Subject Notebook
- Pencil Box
- Glue Sticks
- White boards and dry erase markers
- Pencils
- Change of Clothes

### 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Grades

- Wide-ruled notebook paper
- Rectangular Pink Eraser (Such as PaperMate)
- Highlighter
- Colored Pencils/Crayons

### 4th and 5th Grades

- College-ruled notebook paper
- Highlighter
- 5th Grade Only: 3 Composition Books (not spiral bound)

Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade additional items that would be helpful for all students to have at home:

- Crayons
- Scissors
- Glue Stick



### ANSON EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

### All Grades

- College Ruled Loose Leaf Notebook Paper
- Graph Paper
- Pens (Black/Blue Ink)
- Pencils
- Colored Pencils
- Highlighters
- 2 GB Flash Drive
- Earbuds/Headphones
- 2 - 3 Ring Binders (1.5 to 2 inches)
- 3 - Non-Spiral Composition Books
- 1 - Folder



## Elaine Tillman of MES Won Award at School Nutrition Conference in Greensboro

The School Nutrition Association of North Carolina (SNA-NC) held its Annual Conference June 20-23, 2022 at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro, NC. More than 600 school nutrition professionals from across North Carolina participated. The theme of the conference was "Bloom into Your Potential."

Pre-conference workshops kicked off the week, offered by the NC Department of Instruction School Nutrition Division. Tuesday evening revealed the winners of the culinary and creative arts competition. Wednesday morning started off with a trade show of over 120 booths. Attendees also attended general sessions and training activities. The conference was closed out with an awards banquet and the installation of a new board of directors.

The goal of the conference was to better equip school nutrition professionals to meet the guidelines to serve children upon returning to school in the fall.

A member of the Anson County Chapter was recognized for a special award. Elaine Tillman, Cafeteria Manager of Morven Elementary School won Third Place for her entry in the culinary arts contest.

SNA-NC, a state affiliate of the School Nutrition Association, joined school nutrition professionals across the United States in supporting legislation to extend the waivers that were adopted through the Covid pandemic. The waivers would help with issues of labor shortages, supply chain issues, cost increases and universal meals for all children. The National School Lunch Program was established in 1946 to promote the health and education of children through local school nutrition programs.

The local, state and national associations are actively involved in affecting public policy to ensure that the health and nutrition interests of children are protected. Association members work to improve school meal programs by publicizing the nutrition benefits of school meals, being an advocate for local, state and national policies that expand and enhance school nutrition programs, and providing professional resources to increase the nutrition, business, culinary and food safety skills of school nutrition professionals.



## Anson County Schools Online High School Transcript and Education Verification Request Portal

Former students, college/university admissions officers, employers and verifications companies must now submit high school transcript requests, document requests, and education verifications online.

In the interest of convenience, security and efficiency, all student records requests and education verification requests must now be submitted online using our new online request portal. The request portal will guide you through the ordering process. You will receive automated email updates as your order is processed.

On the Anson County Schools webpage - [www.ansonschools.org](http://www.ansonschools.org), click the **Transcripts/Proof** button to start the process.

For information about document fees and turnaround times, please click on the FAQ link in the upper right corner of the **Transcript Request/Proof Verification** page.



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