

Raise the Graduation Rate



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TEN IMPERATIVES FOR ALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS

- 1** Set benchmark graduation goals for each high school and publicize the goal with the community.
- 2** Start early in identifying students who are at risk of dropping out.
- 3** Develop a community structure to support students with mentors, academic assistance, and career and education counseling.
- 4** Develop a system of extra help and assistance directly related to students' academic areas of needed improvement.
- 5** Develop a system of professional development for teachers, specifically addressing strategies for improving achievement for all students.
- 6** Develop a transition program for 9th grade students.
- 7** Address the attendance of 7th and 8th grade students.
- 8** Redesign high schools that have low graduation rates and chronic student achievement problems.
- 9** Require a rigorous and relevant course of study with engaging electives for each student.
- 10** Use engaging technology to teach today's generation.

A Call to Action!

A Plan for 21st Century Success

MISSION OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Every public school student will graduate from high school, globally competitive for work and postsecondary education and prepared for life in the 21st Century.

GOAL NC public schools will produce globally competitive students.

GOAL NC public schools will be led by 21st Century professionals.

GOAL NC public schools will be healthy and responsible.

GOAL Leadership will guide innovation in NC public schools.

GOAL NC public schools will be governed and supported by 21st Century systems.



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