

**THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION  
2016 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA**

The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education (the “Board”) hereby adopts as its priorities and requests that the North Carolina General Assembly, Mecklenburg County, and all municipalities in Mecklenburg County take action on the items listed below. The Board emphasizes that these priorities are specific to Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools. As such, the Board does not speak on behalf of other school districts, but does encourage other districts to join with this Board for the purpose of collaborating and advocating for shared priorities:

**STATE ITEMS**

- 1. Fund public charter schools in a manner that ties dollars directly with the specific services that they offer students.**
- 2. Initiate a study to identify and eliminate excessive state-mandated testing.**
  - Communities across the state agree that there is an excess of state-mandated testing that eats up valuable classroom instruction time.
- 3. Move North Carolina’s average teacher pay closer to the national average.**
  - The Board appreciates what the General Assembly has done to increase starting teacher pay and asks the State to build upon this progress by providing a teacher pay increase to all teachers so that North Carolina public schools can attract and retain the top teacher talent in the nation.

NO  
FISCAL  
IMPACT

**LOCAL ITEM**

**Restore City of Charlotte funding for school resource officers in CMS to the 2010 level of support.**