

CONTACT YOUR LEGISLATOR ABOUT PUBLIC EDUCATION

LOOKING TO CONTACT your legislator but not sure how to get started? You're not alone, and right now your voice matters more than ever. Use the "[Find Your Legislator](#)" button on our home page to locate contact information and then consider reaching out to them using one (or more!) of the ideas below:

- How does your local public school make a positive impact in your community, even if you don't currently have a child enrolled in the system?
- Why should taxpayer funds go towards your local public school— which serves *all* children— instead of private schools?
- How is it a reinvestment to support strong public schools? Consider how our schools support local jobs, property values, workforce readiness, and public safety.
- What specific actions can your legislator take to better support the schools in your area? (smaller class sizes, more teachers, new supplies, improved safety, etc.)

STILL NOT SURE where to go from there? Here's a sample message that you can personalize with your own experiences and opinions.

Subject: Put Kids First! Support Our Public Schools

Dear [Legislator's Name],

My name is [Your Name], and I am a resident of [Your City/Town], which you represent. I am writing to express my deep concern as a constituent about the future of our community and the role that strong public schools play in it.

Public schools are one of the most important investments that North Carolina can make. They educate the majority of our children, serve as vital hubs in our communities, and help to prepare the next generation of our state's workforce. Families, employers, and taxpayers all benefit from strong public schools.

I am concerned that recent funding decisions are moving our state in the wrong direction by diverting public dollars away from public schools. While private education may work for some families, the public school system is the only one that serves *every* child, regardless of background, income, or ability. Our whole community feels the impact when public schools are underfunded— we see teacher shortages, larger class sizes, and fewer resources for our children.



As a constituent and a concerned **parent/citizen**, I urge you to **put our kids first and fund our local schools**. This issue reaches far beyond just the classroom and impacts us all.

I respectfully ask that you support policies and budget decisions that strengthen public education and ensure that taxpayer dollars are used to support the schools that serve all the children of North Carolina.

Thank you for your service and for taking the time to hear my opinion. I would appreciate hearing your position on this issue and how you plan to support public education in our district.

Sincerely,

[Your Full Name]

[Your Address]

[Your Email Address]

[Your Phone Number]