

Stand with Our Teachers!

Teachers in North Carolina are rallying in Raleigh on Wednesday, May 16 to advocate for their students and for public education.

Education in North Carolina

- North Carolina is one of the worst in the country in the amount our elected leaders spend per student, more than \$3,000 behind the national average
- North Carolina ranks 35th for teacher pay, about \$9,000 behind the national average
- Education is critical to a thriving democracy
- Teachers and supporters are marching for students the morning of May 16th from NCAE Headquarters to the General Assembly to greet lawmakers on opening day of the new session.

Background

Teachers across the country have been rallying, protesting and striking to demand appropriate funding for schools, better education for students, and better treatment for teachers. Now it's North Carolina's turn. On Wednesday, May 16, teachers and supporters will march from the NC Association of Educators headquarters to the NC General Assembly (NCGA) to greet lawmakers on opening day. Schools across the state will be closed due to the number of teachers who will be in Raleigh on this day.

ACTION: Call and Write NC Representatives

- Let your representatives know that we stand with our teachers!
- Ask that they approve Gov. Cooper's proposed state budget, which includes an 8 percent raise for teachers across the state, and more for veteran teachers of more than 25 years.

Find your districts here: vt.ncsbe.gov/RegLkup/

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