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Dear Buncombe County Families and Community Members,

Thank you for taking the time to learn more about the progress Buncombe County students made during the 2022-23 school year. This site will provide information related to the district profile, overall performance, student performance, educator performance and qualifications, and the school environment.

2023 Celebrations:

- The district had its highest ever graduation rate at 91.0 percent.
- Gains were made in Reading and Math Scores across all subgroups.
- Buncombe County Schools reported its highest ACT scores with a composite of 19.1 and a significant increase in the percent of students meeting the UNC system benchmark of 19.
- BCS had 77% of its schools meet or exceed growth.
- Four schools previously designated as low-performing are no longer designated low-performing
- Seven schools improved by an entire letter grade on their School Performance Grade!

We are proud of how hard our faculty, staff, and parents have worked to help our students continue to recover academically from the pandemic. These results make me very excited and enthusiastic for the future. As a school system, we know that we have work to do and areas to improve. Please know that student success is at the center of everything we do in Buncombe County Schools. Our dedicated faculty and staff will continue to work to serve students and meet their unique needs.

I encourage you to review our website, <u>www.buncombeschools.org</u>, for more stories about how we are supporting our students. Don't forget to follow us on social media: @BuncombeSchools

Sincerely,

Dr. Robert Jackson Superintendent

Buncombe County Schools