

## Superintendent's Report February 10, 2025

### **General Updates:**

#### State of the District

We are excited about our "State of the District" this Thursday February 13th at 6:00 pm at Franklinton High School auditorium. This event will highlight district progress with strategic plan goals, but it will also showcase our students and staff and the great work taking place in our schools as we prepare students for life beyond the classroom. We will have performances by student groups and our culinary arts program will provide refreshments. We will also have student ambassadors from each of our high schools there to interact with our guests and share their personal experiences as students in the district. We will gather feedback from attendees through an exit survey.

### Blueprint Goal 1: Preparing FCS Students for College, Career and Life Beyond the Classroom FCS Career Fair

Franklin County Schools will host a career fair on April 24 at Franklinton High School for 11th and 12th grade students. <u>Additional information</u> was sent out this week to the Franklin County business community about the Career Fair. The Franklin County Economic Development Department is helping Franklin County Schools market the event. To date, 13 businesses have signed up to participate.

# Blueprint Goal 2: Achieving Student Success in Academic Areas Using Data to Drive Instruction

Our current Student Achievement work focus is laser focused on assessment reflections and instructional adjustments. Over the past couple of weeks, schools have completed the 2nd Reading Check-In for Grades 3-8, the K-2 MOY Math Assessment, and the MOY K-3 Reading Screener (mClass). In collaboration with school Principals, Coaches, and Teachers, our district C&I Team is holding meetings, attending targeted school PLC meetings, holding virtual data meetings with teachers, and reviewing school written reflections on what instructional next steps will be. This work will continue in the weeks ahead, and as additional MOY Assessments in Math & Science are completed.

Next week, we will conduct progress review meetings with each of our low performing schools. At these meetings we will discuss walkthrough data, check-in data and how it is being utilized to inform instruction, etc.



### Blueprint Goal 3: Creating a Safe, Orderly and Caring Environment for Students

The Operations team has gathered feedback to guide the development of the 2025-26 capital budget. A significant focus of this budget planning includes enhancing access control and security measures, such as the installation of additional video surveillance cameras and centralizing access control.

Additionally, Franklin County Schools, in collaboration with the Sheriff's Office, recently participated in a demonstration of a security product designed to improve emergency response. This technology would enable quicker and more direct communication between school administrators and law enforcement, enhancing overall safety and response times.

#### Blueprint Goal 4: Recruiting, Supporting, and Retaining High-Quality Staff

The Human Resources Department is actively working to attract and retain top talent by scheduling recruitment visits to North Carolina State University, Campbell University, and UNC Wilmington. In addition to these efforts, the department is prioritizing compliance with key federal reporting requirements.