



2026 NC Teacher Cadet State Conference Policies and Guidelines

Hello Educators;

We are excited that the NC Foundation for Public School Children is sponsoring the Teacher Cadet State Conference again this year! The NC Foundation for Public School Children is a 501(c)3 charity. 100% of funding comes from the Foundation's donors' donations. We respectfully ask for your support of the guidelines that have been established so that as many high school students as possible will have this opportunity. Please stress to your students to not commit to attending the conference unless they are serious about attending. Cancellations after the registration deadline and no-shows to conference prevent other students from being able to attend.

Conference Dates and Times:

Friday, March 6, 2026: 1:00p - 8:45p

Saturday, March 7, 2026: 9:00a - 3:00p

TEACHERS: Please read carefully as some policies and guidelines have changed since last year due to our budget and space limitations. The cost per student has increased to \$50.

Location

[Embassy Suites by Hilton Greensboro Airport](#)

204 Centreport Drive, Greensboro, NC 27409

Student Fees

Registration cost is \$50 per student.

Meals Covered in Cost

Friday, March 6: Lunch, Snack Bag, Dinner

Friday, March 7: Breakfast, Snack Break, Lunch

Adult (Teachers, Bus Drivers, Chaperones)

Teacher and Bus Driver limit: 1 per 10 students. If your school requires more adults, the additional cost per adult is \$150.

Hotel Rooms: Teachers/chaperones from the same district will be assigned 2 per room. We have a limited number of rooms reserved so we implement this guideline so there are more rooms available for students. Single hotel rooms, if required by your school or if requested, are **\$135 per room** and **depending on availability** after we have made room assignments.

Registration and Payment Deadlines

This year due to Embassy Suites deadlines and **due to the foundation's small staff, we must adhere to the set deadlines.**

Conference registration forms must be submitted **NO LATER THAN January 15, 2026.**

Payments - The Foundation must receive your payment for all costs **NO LATER THAN February 1, 2026.**

***No refunds and no changes to registrations will be accepted by our staff AFTER February 1, 2026. If a student cancels, we will not be able to do a switch with another student after that date. Please understand that when a change or switch is requested, there are multiple steps our staff and the hotel staff must take to make even one change. We simply do not have staff capacity to handle changes after February 1, 2026. There will be no exceptions.**

If a student or adult cancels, please let us know. For every no-show student or adult, **the Foundation will lose approximately \$150 per person** for just meals and snacks costs.

Hotel Policies

Hotel accommodations are included in the cost of registration. Our staff will make all reservations and arrangements according to the following guidelines. These guidelines are set for our budget purposes and to allow us to have enough room to accommodate all students who want to attend.

1. Up to 4 students of the same gender from the same group will be assigned to a room.
2. 2 adults of the same gender from the same district will share a room.
3. Hotel accommodations that need to be made per your district policy that are outside of the guidelines listed above will be at your school's or district's expense. After all registrations are in and hotel room assignments are made, we will attempt, but cannot guarantee, to reserve additional rooms at the conference hotels for special accommodations. Hotel rooms for special accommodations are \$130 per room per night at your school's or district's expense
4. The hotel will only accept changes to hotel assignments from Marca Jones or Cindy Arriagada.

Hotel Rooms Liability Agreement: Upon registration, an agreement with the NC Foundation for Public School Children is required to be signed by your principal and uploaded with your registration that states **the school will be financially liable for hotel rooms reserved and not used (no shows, late cancellations, etc.).** The school will be billed for the cost the Foundation is charged for unused rooms. **For every hotel room not used, the Foundation loses \$135 per room which could have been used for student needs.**

We recognize that some groups may need additional support to offset registration costs. Here are ways that you can fund your participation at the State Conference:

- Generate funds through a class or club fundraiser.
- Ask local NCAE or Retired School Personnel affiliates, businesses, or other organizations for financial support.

- Apply for a [James B. Hunt Teacher Cadet Grant](#) for up to \$1,000. This grant is for Teacher Cadet classes only (not for FTA Clubs). Priority will be given to schools in Tier 1 counties. Please keep in mind the registration and payment deadlines if you plan to apply.
- For an individual student's financial support, you may submit a request through the Foundation's [Children's Fund](#). Please keep in mind the registration and payment deadlines if submitting an application.

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