SECTION .0200 - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

16 NCAC 06A .0201 DEFINITIONS

As used in this Chapter, the following definitions apply unless otherwise specified:

- (1) "Board," "SBE," or "NCSBE" means the State Board of Education.
- (2) "Charter school" means a public school organized and operated under Chapter 115, Article 14A of the General Statutes.
- (3) "Department," "DPI," or "NCDPI" means the Department of Public Instruction.
- (4) "High school" means a public school offering education in Grades 9 through 12 or 10 through 12.
- (5) "Institution of higher education" or "IHE" means a community college, two-year college, four-year college, or university accredited by an agency recognized by the United States Secretary of Education to be a reliable authority on accreditation.
- (6) "Junior high school" means a public school offering education in Grades 6 through 9 or 7 through 9.
- (7) "Local education agency" or "LEA" means a local school administrative unit.
- (8) "Local board of education" or "local board" is defined in G.S. 115C-5(5).
- (9) "Local school administrative unit" or "LSAU" is defined in G.S. 115C-5(6).
- (10) "Local superintendent" means the superintendent of a local school administrative unit, as provided in Chapter 115C, Article 18 of the General Statutes.
- (11) "Middle school" means a public school offering education in Grades 6 through 8.
- (12) "Principal" means a school administrator employed as the principal of a school, as provided in Chapter 115C, Article 19 of the General Statutes.
- (13) "Professional educator" is defined in G.S. 115C-270.1(2).
- "Public school" or "school" means a public institution offering tuition-free education at any level from Kindergarten through Grade 12 and that is under the jurisdiction of a public school unit.
- (15) "Public school unit" or "PSU" is defined in G.S. 115C-5(7a).
- (16) "PSU governing body" or "governing body of a public school unit" is defined in G.S. 115C-5(3a).
- (17) "Regional school" is defined in G.S. 115C-238.61(4).
- (18) "School district" is defined in G.S. 115C-5(4).
- (19) "School for the blind" is defined in G.S. 115C-150.10(6).
- (20) "School for the deaf" is defined in G.S. 115C-150.10(7).
- (21) "School year" or "academic year" means a calendar year beginning on July 1 of one year and ending on June 30 of the following year.
- "Student" means a person enrolled in pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, or in Grade 1 through Grade 12 in any public school unit.

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