

Chatham Charter School

K-12 Interest Meeting January 22, 2024



Our Mission Statement:

Chatham Charter School will establish and maintain a challenging learning environment that respects the individual learners and prepares students to succeed in a globally competitive society.

Vision:

Students will become self-directed, achieve academic excellence, and develop the personal values and responsibilities necessary to become globally competitive citizens in a rapidly changing world.

Presentation Overview

- Welcome
- About Us
- Our focus & philosophy
- Why Choose Chatham Charter?
- Information about our high school
- Benefits of this program
- Miscellaneous information
- Next steps: applications/intent forms/timeline
- Q&A
- Breakout sessions: K-7 & rising 8th - high school

A Historical Perspective

- From the beginning to present
 - 1993 – 1996: Academy
 - 1997 – 2012: K–8 public charter school (no tuition)
 - 2013 – Present: Added high school
 - Grades K-10: 2013-2014
 - Grades K-11: 2014-2015
 - Grades K-12: 2015-2016 to the present
- The Board of Directors has always been visionary.
 - High school students have a traditional experience in a middle college environment.
 - 2022: Replication school opened (Central Carolina Academy)
- Total school enrollment: 575 students

Our Focus

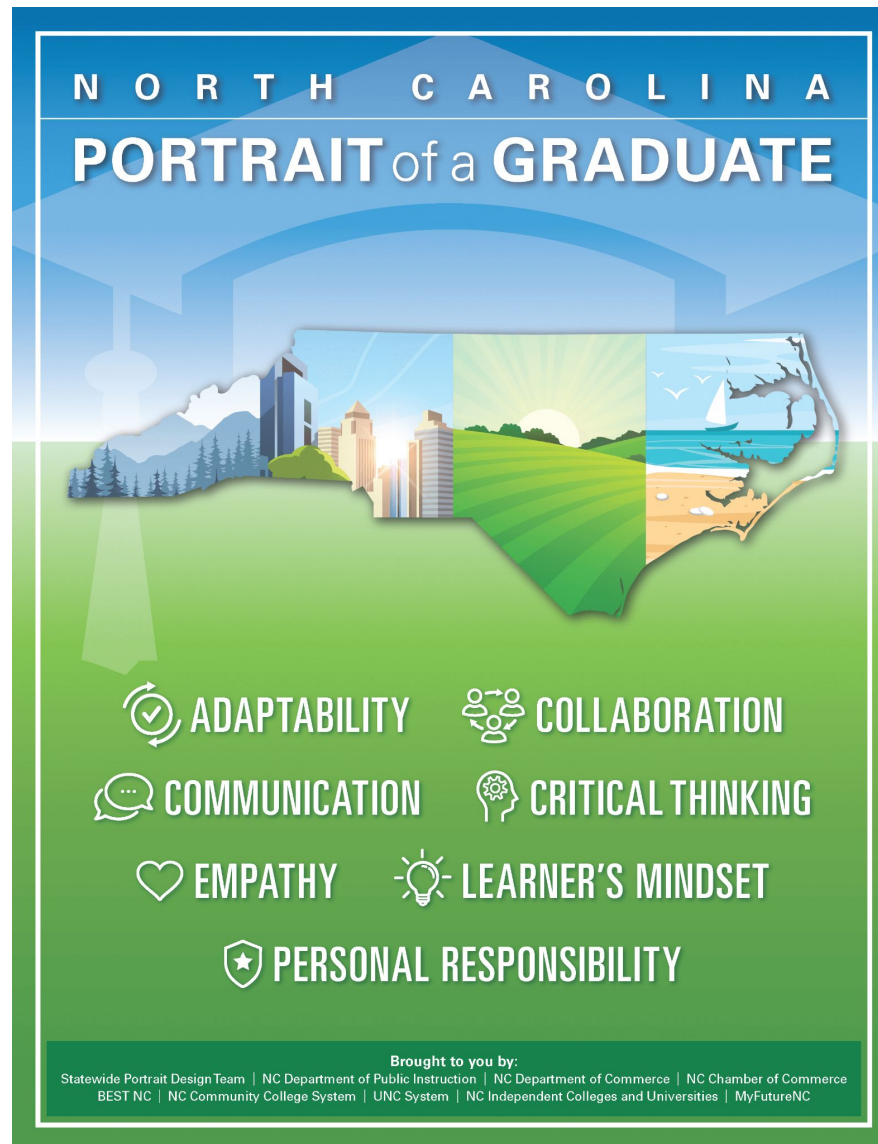
- What niche do we fill as a charter school?
 - College bound students
 - Students who did not feel college was an option for them because of the expense
 - National demand for more technically trained workers
 - Students who have underachieved because of feeling unchallenged
 - Technology integration (K-5 classroom devices, grades 6-12 one-to-one Chromebooks)

Our Philosophy

Have high expectations with strong support systems and everyone will rise to meet them.

- “high expectations” = behaviorally, instructionally & in habits
- “strong support systems” = fiscally sound, staff sets aside extra time to help, experienced & visionary leadership
- “everyone” = students, staff, families, & partners
- Students are given privileges they keep through meeting expectations.
- *Resiliency: Preparing students & families with strong school support systems*

Portrait of a Graduate



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Our Philosophy at Work

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- Curriculum spiraling (elementary through HS connectedness)
- Academic achievement
 - State accountability
 - Met Growth
 - Academic score: B
- Minimal discipline issues
- Strong parental involvement (support at home, contact with teachers, involvement in organizations, fundraising etc.)
- Staff involved in decision-making (master scheduling, instructional tools, etc.)

Other Opportunities

**Students have a traditional experience
in a middle college environment.**

- Co- and extracurricular clubs and organizations
- Sports teams for grades 6-12
- Commitment to academic achievement continues in these activities.
- Tutoring and volunteerism (K-12)

Next Steps for Potential Students

Applications

- Applications for new Chatham Charter enrollees are due by **Friday, January 26, 2024 at 5:00pm.**
- The online application can be found at www.chathamcharter.org under the *Admissions* tab.

Lottery Process

- Lottery: Electronic
 - Siblings of current Chatham Charter students are given preference within seats available.
 - After siblings are placed, other available spaces are filled by the remainder of applicants chosen from the lottery.

Families will be notified by email in early-February of their student's acceptance or wait list number.

Why Choose Chatham Charter?

(Handout)

For more information visit
www.chathamcharter.org

**Thank you for your time
and interest in Chatham Charter.
K-8 and high school breakout sessions
are next. At their conclusion, we invite
you to tour the high school and
elementary buildings.**

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