



Greetings, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools Families!

Congratulations to our 2024-2025 Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools Teacher of Year, Beginning Teacher of the Year and Teacher Assistant of the Year! We celebrated these incredible educators at our [Gem Awards](#) on May 6.

- ***Teacher of the Year – Gregory Gabriel, Winterfield Elementary School***
- ***Beginning Teacher of the Year – Sean Bryant, Newell Elementary School***
- ***Teacher Assistant of the Year – Freddie Pinkney, Ardrey Kell High School***

Special thanks to Honda of Concord and Hendrick Automotive Group for generously providing a vehicle to our Teacher of the Year in recognition of his excellence in the classroom and dedication to his students.

You can learn more about all the [outstanding finalists](#) for Teacher of the Year, Beginning Teacher of the Year and Teacher Assistant of the Year on our district website.

We are in the final stretch of the 2024-25 school year. Can you believe it? But before the final bell rings, there is still much work to do.

Later this month, students will begin their end-of-grade (EOG) and end-of-course (EOC) tests. Please help your students prepare for these important assessments by making sure they are well-rested and arrive to school on time. Help ease any testing anxiety they may have by talking with them about what they've learned throughout the year and reassuring and encouraging them that they have what it takes to succeed.

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools is committed to providing every student with an excellent educational experience that inspires their intellectual curiosity, curiosity and achievement that leads to endless possibilities. We believe in the greatness that lies in each one of our students.

Thank you for your continued commitment and dedication to the children, families, and staff of Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools. We are grateful for your support and honored to educate your children.

In service and partnership,

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