



Parent Guide to Student Achievement (PGSA)
Based on Parents' Bill of Rights - SB 49; Session Law 2023-106

This guide is designed to answer many of the more frequently asked questions and to provide your family with some important resources. Please take time to review this information and if you have questions, please ask us for clarification. Classroom and grade-level procedures will be addressed by your child's teachers.

	Information and Resources
How can my child be promoted to the next grade level?	To be promoted to the next grade level, Movement Schools scholars are expected to meet or exceed proficiency on local assessments of state standards and state standardized tests. Appropriate grade placement decisions are also based upon the mastery of critical knowledge and skills including reading, writing, and mathematics. The whole child is considered when making promotion decisions. Therefore, social/emotional needs and physical development are also considered. Final placement decisions are made by the Principal, with input from teachers, parents and students (as practicable).
What is my child learning at school? How can a parent review these materials?	In North Carolina, all public schools use the same North Carolina Standard Course of Study, determined by the State Board of Education. These standards outline the knowledge and skills students are expected to know by the end of each grade/course. The standards can be found on the NCDPI Office of Academic Standards website. Relevant standards for Movement Schools curriculum include: • Arts Education • English Language Arts • Mathematics • Physical Education • Science • Social Studies

	• World Language Movement Schools and teachers determine how to teach these standards, including curriculum, textbooks, and supplementary materials. Parents of Movement Schools scholars can learn more about our curriculum by attending the New Family Orientation session in the spring and the Open House/Curriculum Night session in the Fall, and by reading the grade level newsletters from Class Dojo and teacher communication.
How will a parent learn about my child's progress in school or with a class?	Movement Schools shares student progress through a variety of ways, including report cards after each quarter, progress reports, parent conferences and assignment/test feedback. Parents can also check Infinite Campus for information on student progress and performance. Feedback on conduct is also provided through personal emails and phone calls. Local Assessments: Movement Schools use NWEA MAP to measure progress in literacy and math in grades K-5. Reports from these assessments may be sent home with report cards, and/or reviewed during parent conferences. State Assessments: Individual Student Reports for end-of-grade/course tests and other state assessments (English language proficiency assessment) are provided to parents at the end of each school year. In NC, all students take end-of-grade (EOG) assessments for reading and math in grades 3-8. Students take EOG science assessments in grades 5 and 8. An Individual Reading Plan (IRP) will be developed for any student third grade demonstrating difficulty with reading. An IRP will have specific strategies/ideas that can also be supported at home.
What are the qualifications of my child's teachers?	The NC DPI (Department of Public Instruction) licensure look-up webpage does not include current employment information. Parents may need additional information (i.e., middle name or license number) to identify the teacher accurately. Substitute teachers (either short or long-term) may not hold a NC teaching license.

	You may look up your child's teacher licensure status at this website: Link to the licensure website Please contact the principal if you have questions about an educator's licensure status Charter schools are required to have 50% of their teachers licensed. If your school is a Title I school, your school website will have a Title I Parent Right to Know Letter which outlines what parents have the right to know regarding the qualifications of teachers.
What are the requirements for school enrollment? What are the immunizations needed or recommended for children?	Please see our Admissions website for information on the requirements for school enrollment and the lottery process. The following are statutory requirements for immunizations: - Immunization records: GS 130A-155.pdf (ncleg.gov) - Immunization requirements: GS 130A-152.pdf (ncleg.gov) All students must submit a complete, age-appropriate vaccination record upon school entry. In addition, NC law requires that all students entering a NC public school for the first time receive a health assessment. Health assessments should be documented on this NC Health Assessment form and the form should be submitted upon enrollment. Health assessment must be completed within 12 months of the first day of school entry. NC law allows a 30-day grace period for submission of these records and principals are required to exclude students who are not in compliance with this requirement within 30 calendar days of the student's first day of attendance. Questions or concerns about medical issues should be addressed to our Network Health Coordinator or the school nurse.
How can a parent help their child learn and make progress?	Engaging with your child about school and what they are learning is pivotal to their learning process. • Ask questions daily about your child's school day. • Inquire about topics and assignments they are learning. • Connect with teachers to understand your child's progress. • Ask the teachers how you can help your child learn. • Attend different events at our school to stay connected and learn how to support your child. Local Resources:

	• Literacy at Home • Tips for Literacy • MTSS Parent Guides for Academic Standards: The following grade level guides contain information to support parents and caregivers with understanding the North Carolina Standard Course of Study. The purpose of these guides is to inform parents about the standards, as well as provide useful strategies to incorporate at home. ELA Parent Guides K-5 ELD Parent Guide K-5 K-5 Math Parent Guides K-8 Social Studies Parent Guide: K-12 Science Parent Guide Reading and Literacy Support: The following site provides resources for families to practice and reinforce important literacy skills with their children who are being assessed with mCLASS reading assessments: Amplify Parent Resources Home activities, printables, and games to support reading and literacy are also available at North Carolina's Digital Children's Reading Initiative (DCRI). These activities include the following topics, Pre-K through Grade 5: (1) Phonemic awareness (2) Phonics (3) Vocabulary (4) Fluency (5) Comprehension (6) Oral language
How can a parent help their child develop citizenship, social skills and respect for others?	Movement Schools conduct daily Morning Meetings in all grades to develop citizenship and explicitly teach social skills and our core values of respect, responsibility, and integrity. Our school is also partnered with C4 Therapy. This partnership provides resources, strategy, and training to teach students positive psychology's 24 character strengths and empower our students to build positive relationships. Please contact our school counselors if you have any questions about the curriculum and

	resources.
How can a parent strengthen communication with the school and their child's teachers?	Movement Schools use the following platforms for communication between home/school ○ Infinite Campus ○ Please see our Communication section in our Student-Parent Handbook Parents can view students' assignments and grades in the Infinite Campus parent portal. The following are NCDPI developed parent guides that provide suggestions for building strong relationships with your child's teacher and supporting communication between home and school. Building Strong Relationships with Your Child's Teacher (NC Rethink Education Program) How You Can Use Questions to Support Your Child's Learning (NC Rethink Education Program) Additional general parent guides and parent resource webinar recordings can be found at the following website.
What services are available for parents and their children?	● Tutoring ● After school Programs ● Social Worker available ● Curriculum nights .
What are opportunities for parents to participate with school?	A successful learning experience would not be possible without the partnership and dedication of our students' parents. Parental participation in each school's program is solicited and highly encouraged. Our parents are involved on committees, in the classroom, and in the details that make a school function effectively. Movement parents know they are always welcome and that they are a key to the success of every student. Movement provides opportunities for parental engagement in their child's education. This involvement is outlined in the Parent Involvement Policy and the Parent and Family Engagement Policy. Additional opportunities for parents to participate with school include: • Title 1 Night • Curriculum Night

	• Parent Network • Parent Focus Groups • Classroom Volunteers • Field Trip Chaperones Please contact the school for more information on parent and family engagement opportunities.
How can I learn more about the challenging academic programs available to my child?	Movement offers a variety of options for students to pursue their interests and skills at their academic level.
What school choices are available for my child?	Movement is a charter school. Charter schools are public schools of choice that are authorized by the State Board of Education and operated by independent non-profit boards of directors. State and local tax dollars are the primary funding sources for charter schools, which have open enrollment and cannot discriminate in admissions, associate with any religion or religious group, or charge tuition. Local district school Students in public school districts are assigned to certain schools based on a local assignment plan approved by the Local Board of Education. Nonpublic Education and Scholarship Grants Nonpublic education is overseen by the NC Department of Administration. For a list of private schools, visit this NC Private Schools. For information on how to start a homeschool visit: Homeschool Information Scholarship grant programs/voucher information is available via the NC State Education Assistance Authority.
What rights do students with disabilities have based on the law?	For students suspected of or identified with a disability by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), the following links provide important information regarding the procedural safeguards available to ensure a free, appropriate, public education. IDEA NC Parent Rights Handbook NC Parent Rights Handbook (Español) IDEA Dispute Resolution

	Special Education Surrogate Parents Section 504 Movement Section 504 Manual Special Education Movement Special Education Policy Manual Special Education Resources North Carolina Early Learning Resources NCDPI Exceptional Children Website NC Special Education Policy Manual Project Child Find
What is the contact information for the school?	Movement Schools (movementschools.org). Please select the specific school you are looking for contact details. Please also see the Movement Student-Parent Handbook and our Board of Directors page on our website.