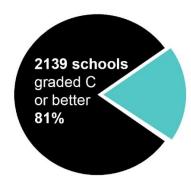


The North Carolina Innovative School District (ISD) partners with local communities to develop and implement strategies for school improvement, creating innovative conditions for accelerating student achievement in low-performing schools. By the 2020-21 school year, the ISD will oversee the transfer and operation of five of the state's lowest-performing public elementary schools and place them under the management of qualified Innovative School Operators. For its inaugural 2018-2019 academic school year, the ISD selected one school, Southside Ashpole Elementary in Rowland, NC.

## Low-Performing Schools in North Carolina By the Numbers



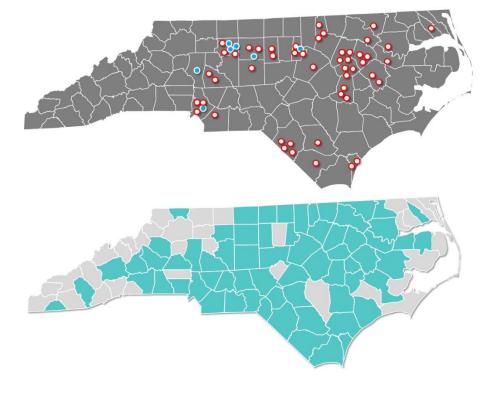
**505 schools** graded D or F **19%** 

There are currently over 500 low-performing schools in North Carolina, which is an increase of 16 over the 2015-16 school year. That is nearly equivalent to the total number of schools in Wake, Charlotte-Mecklenburg, Forsyth and Durham Counties combined.

Of the 505 low-performing schools, 468 are <u>recurring</u>, which is an increase of 53 schools over the past year.

251,831

Total student enrollment at low-performing schools



- Schools in North Carolina received a letter grade of
  F and did not meet growth last school year
- Schools in North Carolina received a letter grade of
   F and did not meet growth for the last 3 years
- **73** School districts with low-performing schools
- NC counties with low-performing schools