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State Board of Education  
Department of Public Instruction

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# **Report to the North Carolina General Assembly**

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Cooperative Innovative High School  
Funding by Development Tier Area  
Location

*SL 2020-64 (SB 816) sec. 5*

*G.S. 115C-238.51A(c)*

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**Date Due: January 15, 2021**

**Submitted by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction**

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**Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee Report:  
Cooperative Innovative High School Funding by Development Tier Area Location**

This report responds to the requirements of the legislation enacted in G.S. 2020-64, which establishes that “By January 15, 2021, the Department of Public Instruction shall report to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee with information on the list of cooperative innovative high schools approved to operate in accordance with G.S. 115C-238.51A(c), including the development tier designation as defined in Senate Bill 816, Session Law 2020-64, G.S. 143B-437.08 that was used by the Department for the purposes of allocating funding from the cooperative innovative high school allotment for each school for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. The Department shall also include in the report any projected adjustments to funding that would be required based on the development tier designation for those cooperative innovative high schools that is effective for the 2021-2022 fiscal year and the projected total difference in required State funding between the 2020-2021 fiscal year and the 2021-2022 fiscal year for the cooperative innovative high school allotment if all schools currently operating in accordance with G.S. 115C-238.51A(c) are funded for the 2021-2022 fiscal year in accordance with the updated development tier designations.”

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***NC Department of Public Instruction Response:***

The 2020-21 budget allocation for Cooperative Innovative High School (CIHS) and IHE tuition (does not include small specialty schools) is: \$30,069,386

- Total University tuition for 2019-20 was \$4,865,139.
- It is estimated that \$5,552,797 will be needed for University tuition in 2020-21 as the fall semester was \$2,776,398.

Based on changes in economic tier designation, **an additional \$2,185,00** is needed for the 2021-22 school year to fund NC’s 133 Cooperative Innovative High School programs.

See the following table for information on each CIHS program, current economic tier designation and allocation, and change in tier designation and any funding changes anticipated for 2021-22.

**COOPERATIVE INNOVATIVE HIGH SCHOOLS**  
**FY 2020-21 Allocations and FY 2021-22 Projected Tiers and Allocations**  
**Funding Requirement**

<b>Local Education Agency</b>	<b>School Name</b>	<b>FY 19-21 Tier</b>	<b>2021 Allocation</b>	<b>FY 21-23 Tier</b>	<b>2022 Allocation</b>	<b>Additional Funding Requirement</b>	<b>Note</b>
Alamance-Burlington Schools	Alamance-Burlington Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Alexander County Schools	Alexander Early College High School	2	\$200,000	1	\$275,000	\$ 75,000	
Anson County Schools	Anson County Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Ashe County Schools	Ashe County Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Beaufort County Schools	Beaufort County Early College High School	1	\$275,000	2	\$200,000	\$ (75,000)	
Bertie County Schools	Bertie County Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Bladen County Schools	Bladen County Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Brunswick County Schools	Brunswick County Early College High School	3	\$180,000	2	\$200,000	\$ 20,000	
Buncombe County Schools	Buncombe County Early College High School	3	\$180,000	2	\$200,000	\$ 20,000	
Buncombe County Schools	Martin L. Nesbitt Jr. Discovery Academy	3	\$180,000	2	\$200,000	\$ 20,000	
Cabarrus County Schools	Cabarrus Early College of Technology	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Cabarrus County Schools	Cabarrus-Kannapolis Early College High School	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Caldwell County Schools	Caldwell Applied Sciences Academy	2	\$200,000	1	\$275,000	\$ 75,000	
Camden County Schools	Camden Early College High School	2	\$200,000	3	\$180,000	\$ (20,000)	
Carteret County Public Schools	Marine Science and Technology Early College High School	2	\$200,000	3	\$180,000	\$ 180,000	(1)
Catawba County Schools	Challenger Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Chatham County Schools	Chatham County School of Science and Engineering	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Cherokee County Schools	Tri-County Early College High School	2	\$200,000	1	\$275,000	\$ 75,000	
Cleveland County Schools	Cleveland Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Columbus County Schools	Columbus Career and College Academy	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	

Local Education Agency	School Name	FY 19-21 Tier	2021 Allocation	FY 21-23 Tier	2022 Allocation	Additional Funding Requirement	Note
Craven County Schools	Craven Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Craven County Schools	Early College EAST High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Cumberland County Schools	Cumberland International Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Cumberland County Schools	Cross Creek Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Cumberland County Schools	Cumberland Polytechnic High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Currituck County Schools	J.P. Knapp Early College High School	3	\$200,000	3	\$200,000	\$ -	(2)
Davidson County Schools	Davidson Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Davidson County Schools	Yadkin Valley Regional Career Academy	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Davie County Schools	Davie County Early College High School	3	\$180,000	2	\$200,000	\$ 20,000	
Duplin County Schools	Duplin Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Durham Public Schools	Josephine Dobbs Clement Early College High School	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Durham Public Schools	City of Medicine Academy	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Durham Public Schools	Hillside New Tech High School	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Edgecombe County Public School	Edgecombe Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Forsyth County Schools	Early College of Forsyth County	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Franklin County Schools	Franklin County Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Gaston County Schools	Gaston Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Gaston County Schools	Gaston Early College of Medical Sciences	2	\$0	2	\$200,000	\$ 200,000	(3)
Granville County Schools	Granville Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Greene County Schools	Greene Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Guilford County Schools	Early/Middle College at Bennett	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Guilford County Schools	Early/Middle College at GTCC - Greensboro	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Guilford County Schools	Early/Middle College at GTCC - Jamestown	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	

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Guilford County Schools	Early/Middle College at GTCC - High Point	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Guilford County Schools	Early/Middle College at NC A&T	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Guilford County Schools	The Academy at High Point Central (aka The Kearns Academy at Central)	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Guilford County Schools	The Academy at Ben L. Smith High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Guilford County Schools	STEM Early College at NC A&T State University	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Guilford County Schools	Middle College at UNCG	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Halifax County Schools	Halifax County Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ 275,000	(1)
Roanoke Rapids City Schools	Roanoke Rapids Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ 275,000	(1)
Weldon City Schools	Roanoke Valley Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Harnett County Schools	Harnett County Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Haywood County Schools	Haywood Early College High School	3	\$180,000	2	\$200,000	\$ 20,000	
Henderson County Schools	Henderson County Early College High School	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Hertford County Schools	Hertford County Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Hoke County Schools	Sandhoke Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Hyde County Schools	Mattamuskeet Early College High School	1	\$200,000	1	\$200,000	\$ -	(2)
Iredell-Statesville Schools	Agriculture and Science Early College High School	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Iredell-Statesville Schools	Collaborative College for Technology and Leadership	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Iredell-Statesville Schools	Crossroads Arts and Sciences Early College High School	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Jackson County Schools	Blue Ridge Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	(2)
Jackson County Schools	Jackson County Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Johnston County Schools	Johnston County Career and Technical Early College	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Johnston County Schools	Johnston County Early College Academy	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	

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Lee County Schools	Lee County Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Lenoir County Public Schools	Lenoir County Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Macon County Schools	Macon County Early College High School	2	\$200,000	3	\$180,000	\$ (20,000)	
Madison County Schools	Madison Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
McDowell County Schools	McDowell Academy for Innovation	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
McDowell County Schools	McDowell Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools	Harper Middle College High School	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools	Levine Middle College High School	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools	Charlotte Engineering Early College	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools	Charlotte Teacher Early College High School	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools	Merancas Middle College-CPCC	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Mitchell County Schools	Mayland Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Montgomery County Schools	Montgomery County Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Nash County Public Schools	Center for Industry, Technology and Innovation High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ 275,000	(1)
Nash County Public Schools	Nash-Rocky Mount Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
New Hanover County Schools	Isaac M. Bear Early College High School	3	\$180,000	2	\$200,000	\$ 20,000	
New Hanover County Schools	Wilmington Early College High School	3	\$180,000	2	\$200,000	\$ 20,000	
New Hanover County Schools	Southeast Area Technical High School	3	\$180,000	2	\$200,000	\$ 200,000	(1)
Northampton County Schools	Northampton County Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Onslow County Schools	Onslow Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Elizabeth City-Pasquotank Public Schools	Elizabeth City Pasquotank Early College	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Pender County Schools	Pender Early College High School	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	

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Person County Schools	Person Early College for Innovation and Leadership	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Pitt County Schools	Pitt County Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Pitt County Schools	Pitt Innovation Early College	1	\$275,000	2	\$200,000	\$ 200,000	(1)
Polk County Schools	Polk County Early College High School	2	\$200,000	3	\$180,000	\$ (20,000)	
Randolph County Schools	Randolph Early College High School	2	\$200,000	1	\$275,000	\$ 75,000	
Richmond County Schools	Richmond County Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Robeson County Schools	Public Schools of Robeson County Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Rockingham County Schools	Rockingham Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Rutherford County Schools	Rutherford Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Sampson County Schools	Sampson Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Scotland County Schools	Scotland Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Stanly County Schools	Stanly Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Stanly County Schools	Stanly STEM Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ 200,000	(1)
Stokes County Schools	Stokes County Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -	
Surry County Schools	Surry Early College High School of Design	1	\$275,000	2	\$200,000	\$ (75,000)	
Tyrrell County Schools	Columbia Early College High School	1	\$200,000	1	\$200,000	\$ -	(2)
Union County Public Schools	Union County Early College High School	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Vance County Schools	Vance County Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -	
Wake County Schools	North Wake College and Career Academy	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Wake County Schools	Vernon Malone College and Career Academy	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Wake County Schools	Wake STEM Early College High School	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Wake County Schools	Wake Early College of Health and Science	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	
Wake County Schools	Wake Young Men's Leadership Academy	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -	



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Wake County Schools	Wake Young Women's Leadership Academy	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -		
Warren County Schools	Warren Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -		
Washington County Schools	Washington County Early College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -		
Watauga County Schools	Watauga Innovation Academy	3	\$180,000	3	\$180,000	\$ -		
Wayne County Public Schools	Wayne Early Middle College High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -		
Wayne County Public Schools	Wayne School of Engineering at Goldsboro High School	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -		
Wilkes County Schools	Wilkes Early College High School	2	\$200,000	1	\$275,000	\$ 75,000		
Wilson County Schools	Wilson Academy of Applied Technology	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -		
Wilson County Schools	Wilson Early College Academy	1	\$275,000	1	\$275,000	\$ -		
Yadkin County Schools	Yadkin Early College High School	2	\$200,000	2	\$200,000	\$ -		
<b>Total</b>							<b>\$2,110,000</b>	
<b>Renewal District</b>								
Rowan-Salisbury Schools	Rowan County Early College High School	2	\$ 200,000	1	\$ 275,000	\$75,000		
<b>Regional School</b>								
Regional School	Northeast Regional School of Biotechnology and Agriscience (NERSBA)	Regional	\$ 310,000	Regional	\$ 310,000	-	(4)	
<b>No Supplemental Funding Requested</b>								
Buncombe County Schools	Buncombe County Middle College High School							
Asheville City Schools	School of Inquiry and Life Sciences at Asheville							
Burke County Schools	Burke Middle College High School							
Caldwell County Schools	Caldwell Career Center Middle College							
Durham Public Schools	Middle College High School At DTCC							
Forsyth County Schools	Middle College of Forsyth County							
Guilford County Schools	Greensboro College Middle College							
Guilford County Schools	The Early College at Guilford College							

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Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools	Cato Middle College High School							
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools	Performance Learning Center							
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools	Hawthorne Academy of Health Sciences							
<b>Additional Amount Needed for 2021-22</b>							<b>\$2,185,000</b>	

- (1) LEA was funded with non recurring funds in 2020-21, therefore the full amount is needed for 2021-22 budget
- (2) CIHS is approved as a virtual school and is funded per legislation \$200,000 and not by the tier
- (3) Gaston Early College of Medical Sciences was approved as a CIHS in 2020 but delayed opening until 2021
- (4) CIHS is a regional school and receives \$310,000 per legislation

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