

2026-28 NCWorks Commission Committees

Education and Credential Attainment Committee

This committee identifies strategies, policies, and other activities to ensure North Carolina has the workforce needed for a strong and vibrant economy. It also seeks to identify and promote strategies that support credential attainment and career advancement.

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Apprenticeships and Work-Based Learning Committee

This committee identifies strategies to increase work-based learning experiences throughout the workforce system allowing learners and jobseekers to explore and experience the world of work, and allowing employers to work with potential and recent hires to develop important durable and technical skills to enhance engagement, learning, and productivity

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Future-Ready Workforce and Employer Partnerships Committee

This committee supports strategies to ensure the workforce development system is visible, relevant, efficient, and easy to access by employers. The committee strives to connect employers to qualified, work-ready employees through meaningful partnerships with the workforce system.

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Modernizing and Aligning the Workforce System Committee

This committee supports strategies and oversees activities that foster a more aligned and responsive system that is easy to access and customer oriented. The committee focuses on using data to drive strategies, measure performance, increase transparency, and improve accountability of the system. The committee promotes collaboration, policy alignment, innovation, and communication among workforce system agencies and partners.

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