



## Leadership North Carolina

Class XXVII  
Education Session  
December 3-5, 2019  
Greensboro

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**Base Hotel**

Greensboro Marriott Downtown  
304 North Greene Street  
Greensboro, NC  
(336) 379-8000  
<http://bit.ly/GreensboroMarriott>

**Session Goals**

1. Present the structure and interconnected impacts of each step of the birth to higher education continuum.
2. Illustrate the systemic disparities and disadvantages that students face from birth on the basis of race, income, geography, and other factors.
3. Define who makes the decisions that shape the education system in NC, how decisions get made, and how we can influence them.
4. Highlight the deep connections between education and government, health and human services, economic development, and the environment in North Carolina and identify opportunities for engagement.

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Each planning committee for the Class XXVII program year is made up of members from LNC Class XXVI.

## Tuesday, December 3, 2019

Optional Tour: International Civil Rights Center and Museum, 134 South Elm Street, Greensboro. Business casual attire.

Reception: HQ Greensboro, 111 West Lewis Street, Greensboro. Business casual attire.

1:00 – 4:00 pm	International Civil Rights Center and Museum Tour and Reflections (Optional) <i>Advance RSVP Required</i>	ICRCM 134 South Elm Street
5:30 – 7:00 pm	Session Reception at HQ Greensboro (Optional) <i>Advance RSVP Required</i>	

## Wednesday, December 4, 2019

Breakfast and Meeting: Revolution Mill, 1000 Revolution Mill Drive, Greensboro. Business casual attire.

Dinner: Undercurrent, 327 Battleground Avenue, Greensboro. Casual attire.

7:30 – 8:15 am	Breakfast (Optional) <i>Advance RSVP Required</i>	
7:45 – 8:15 am	William Garrett Fund Committee Meeting <i>Committee will meet over breakfast at Revolution Mill</i>	
8:15 – 8:35 am	Morning Reflections	Christian Overton <i>Agronomist Perdue Agribusiness LNC Class XXVI Alumnus and Class XXVII Program Chair</i>
		LNC Class XXVII
8:35 – 8:45 am	Setting the Stage	Bradley Ballou <i>Chief of Staff The University of North Carolina at Wilmington LNC Class XXVI Alumnus and EDU Session Co-Chair</i>
		Jennifer Bell <i>Education Specialist SAS LNC Class XXVI Alumna and EDU Session Co-Chair</i>
8:45 – 9:45 am	Education in North Carolina 101	Brenda Berg <i>Chief Executive Officer BEST NC LNC Class XXII Alumna</i>
9:45 – 10:05 am	Morning Break <i>Snack and beverages will be provided</i>	
10:05 – 11:00 am	Early Childhood Education	Mandy Ableidinger <i>Policy and Practice Leader North Carolina Early Childhood Foundation</i>
11:00 – 11:15 am	Checking In: Paired Discussions	Session Planning Team
11:15 – 11:30 am	Class Business: William Garrett Fund	
11:30 – 11:50 am	The Impact of LNC	Dr. Benjamin Reese <i>CEO, Ben Reese, LLC Adjunct Faculty, Duke University School of Medicine LNC Class VI Alumnus</i>

11:50 am – 12:35 pm	Lunch and Table Discussions	
12:35 – 1:45 pm	Key Issues in K-12 Education: A Conversation	<p>Julie Paige Pittman  <i>Teacher, Rutherford County Schools</i>  <i>2018 Western Region Teacher of the Year</i>  <i>NC Education Outreach Manager, No Kid Hungry (Teacher on Loan for 2019-2020)</i></p> <p>Dr. Theresa Melenas  <i>Principal</i>  <i>Union Middle School</i></p> <p>Lee Ellen Harmer  <i>Parent and Education Advocate</i>  <i>Outreach and Collaborations Manager, SAS</i></p> <p>Allison Goff, Moderator  <i>Policy Analyst</i>  <i>The Hunt Institute</i></p>
1:45 – 2:00 pm	Afternoon Break <a href="#">Snack and beverages will be provided</a>	
2:00 - 2:45 pm	Innovations in Education—College Advising Corps	<p>Dr. Nicole Hurd  <i>Founder and Chief Executive Officer</i>  <i>College Advising Corps</i></p> <p>Tatyana Green  <i>College Adviser</i>  <i>Carolina College Advising Corps</i></p> <p>Reem Ahmed  <i>College Adviser</i>  <i>Carolina College Advising Corps</i></p>
2:50 – 3:50 pm	Leadership Profile	<p>Dr. Dudley Flood  <i>Retired School Administrator</i></p>
3:50 – 4:00 pm	LNC Wrap-Up	
6:30 pm	Class Dinner <a href="#">Short walk from Marriott</a>	<p>Undercurrent  <i>327 Battleground Avenue</i></p>

## Thursday, December 5, 2019

Breakfast and Meeting: NC A&T State University Student Center Ballroom, Second Floor, 1403 Mitchell Drive, Greensboro. Business casual attire.  
 Parking Address: 102 Laurel Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> levels of parking deck. 5-10 minute walk to Student Center.

7:30 – 8:15 am	Breakfast (Optional)  <a href="#">Advance RSVP Required</a>	
8:15 – 8:35 am	Morning Reflections	<p>Christian Overton  <i>Agronomist</i>  <i>Perdue Agribusiness</i>  <i>LNC Class XXVI Alumnus and Class XXVII Program Chair</i></p> <p>LNC Class XXVII</p>
8:35 – 9:45 am	Higher Education in NC	<p>Andrea Poole</p>

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*Dr. Andrew Kelly  
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9:45 – 10:00 am	Morning Break <i>Snack and beverages will be provided</i>	
10:00 – 10:20 am	Class Business	LNC Team
10:20 – 10:50 am	North Carolina's Community Colleges	Peter Hans <i>President North Carolina Community College System</i>
		Dr. Pamela Senegal <i>President Piedmont Community College</i>
10:50 – 11:15 am	myFutureNC	Peter Hans <i>President North Carolina Community College System</i>
		Cecilia Holden <i>President and Chief Executive Officer myFutureNC LNC Class XXIII Alumna</i>
11:15 – 11:30 am	Community Colleges and myFutureNC Q&A	Kyle Villemain, Moderator <i>Freelance Writer LNC Class XXVI Alumnus and EDU Session Planning Committee Member</i>
11:30 am – 12:45 pm	Local Welcome and Lunch with A&T Students	Dr. Harold Martin <i>Chancellor North Carolina A&amp;T State University</i>
		Rachel Richards Milosh McAdoo Correggio L. Peagler <i>North Carolina A&amp;T State University Students</i>
		Cheryl Parquet, Moderator <i>Director, Community and Diversity Engagement Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina LNC Class XXVI Alumna and EDU Session Planning Committee Member</i>
12:50 – 1:50 pm	Deep Rooted: Race, Education, and Inequity in North Carolina	James Ford <i>Executive Director, Center for Racial Equity in Education (CREED) Member, NC State Board of Education 2014-2015 North Carolina Teacher of the Year</i>
1:50 – 2:00 pm	LNC Wrap-Up and Adjourn	LNC Team