

*Meck Ed Is a Local Education Fund.*

Mecklenburg Citizens for Public Education is a Local Education Fund (LEF). LEFs are non-profit, community-based organizations whose purpose is to stimulate change that improves public education. Though independent, LEFs work closely with public school administrators as well as business and community leaders to improve the schools within a particular geographic area.



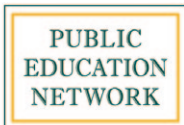
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Public involvement. Public education. Public benefit.

*Mobilizing leadership*

*Rallying resources*

*Engaging the community*



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## Our Mission

Mecklenburg Citizens for Public Education is an independent, non-profit organization that mobilizes leadership, rallies resources, and engages the community so all CMS students will achieve significant, measurable academic success.



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for  
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## Guiding Principles

**Positive** – We share a belief that public education can close the achievement gap and offer the highest quality K-12 academic experience for all children.

**Objective** – We develop strategies and take informed public positions on reforming and improving the public schools based on well-researched data and information.

**Courageous** – We can be counted on to take a stand based on what is best for our schools and the students of Charlotte-Mecklenburg.

**Active** – We energetically create opportunities to engage the community, funders, and schools to work together and support each other.

**Focused** – We prioritize issues for our work based on impact, relevance and uniqueness of opportunity.

**Zealous** - We pursue enthusiastically our mission and opportunities to create high quality public education accessible to all students in Charlotte-Mecklenburg.

## Our Vision

Citizens of Mecklenburg County make public education a top priority so all students graduate and are prepared for productive lives in the global community.

## Role

### Community Leader

Engage the community, funders, policy makers, public and private organizations on behalf of Charlotte-Mecklenburg schools and students.

### Reliable and Trusted Information Source

A learning organization that can be counted on to provide best practices information and objective measures for public education improvements and success.

### Critical Friend

Partner with the Superintendent and School Board by supporting CMS on shared agenda initiatives; engage others to provide support for Superintendent and/or School Board when change is necessary but unpopular or controversial; challenge and apply pressure, at times, when the School System needs a push to move forward.

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