



# The Leandro Plan

North Carolina's legislative roadmap for meeting the educational needs of EVERY CHILD.



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The Leandro Plan outlines what's needed to ensure ALL children receive the constitutional standard of education.

## WHY IS THE PLAN NEEDED?

- ◆ Children throughout the state lack access to essential educational services and opportunities.
- ◆ Many graduates lack fundamental skills needed for today's jobs.

## WHERE DID THE PLAN COME FROM?

The decision for the *Leandro v. State of North Carolina* case calls for the state to meet the constitutional standard for education quality.

- The Leandro Plan:**
- ◆ shows the state how to provide every child with a sound basic education.
  - ◆ was based on extensive analysis of the North Carolina school system by the country's top nonpartisan education experts.



### *Leandro v. State of North Carolina*

The North Carolina Supreme Court decision affirms:

**A sound, basic education is the constitutional right of every child.**

## WHAT'S IN THE PLAN?

The **Leandro Plan** addresses the **inequity** and **funding inadequacy** that prevents access to services and programs including:

- early education (birth to age 5) including pre-K
- qualified educators & principals
- safe facilities with modern technology
- support staff (school nurses, psychologists etc.)
- academic and language specialists
- enrichment programs and career training



**The Leandro Plan corrects the course of public education in North Carolina so schools in every corner of the state can meet student needs.**



The North Carolina legislature has refused to support the Leandro Plan, despite its affordability **AND** its critical value to our children and the future of our state.

### **WE MUST ACT NOW.**

It's up to us to demand a school system that can provide for our students - before **ANOTHER** generation of children gets left behind.

