



*Shaded areas are counties visited.
Dots indicate charter or city schools

An introduction to the state of North Carolina, its history and culture, its school systems, its economy, and its regions.

Day 1, Sunday, May 15

- Registration/Check-in at North Carolina Central University
- Opening Session Speaker: Mr. Demond “De” McKenzie, Teaching Fellows Commission
- Video Presentation: *Trends & Challenges Facing Our State*
- Bus Meetings
- Second General Session: The Honorable June S. Atkinson, State Superintendent of Public Instruction

Day 2, Monday, May 16

- **School Visits:** Beaufort, Clover Garden Charter, Global Scholars Academy, Granville, KIPP Gaston College Prep, Raleigh Charter High, Person, Vance, Washington, Weldon City/Roanoke Rapids, Wilson
- **Business Visits:** Imagination Station Science Museum, Harperprints, NCAE headquarters, Ole NC Bar-B-Que, Palace Pointe, Revlon
- **Cultural/Historical:** H. Leslie Perry Library, Somerset Plantation
- **Other Visits:** Emily Krzyzewski Family Life Center, Goose Creek State Park, Pettigrew State Park, Sylvan Heights Waterfowl Park
- Buses Arrive at East Carolina University

Day 3, Tuesday, May 17

- **School Visits:** Brunswick, Chapel Hill-Carrboro, Columbus/Whiteville City, Duplin, Hyde, Jones, Onslow, Pamlico, Pitt, Sampson & Clinton City, Wake
- **Business Visits:** Duplin Winery, Mattamuskeet Lake and Lodge, Sampson Regional Health & Wellness Center, Schindler Elevators, The Strawberry Patch, Viquist
- **Cultural/Historical:** Beirut Memorial, Dr. Victor Small House, Ingram Planetarium,
- **Other Visits:** Jones County Rivercamp, North Topsail Beach Public Access
- Buses arrive at UNC-Pembroke

Day 4, Wednesday, May 18

- **School Visits:** Anson, Cabarrus, Charlotte Secondary School, Cumberland, Hoke, Metrolina Regional Scholars Academy, Montgomery, Moore, Scotland, Union, Winston-Salem/Forsyth
- **Business Visits:** Burlington Industries, CEM Corp., Concord Mills, Lowe’s Motor Speedway, Reedy Creek Nature Museum, St. Andrews Equestrian Center
- **Cultural/Historical:** A.B. Gibson Center, Airborne and Special Operations Museum, Jesse Helms Center, Jewish Community Center, M. Rouse Jr. Community Center, Wadesboro Rotary Planetarium & Science Center
- Buses Arrive at UNC-Charlotte

Day 5, Thursday, May 19

- **School Visits:** Asheville City, Buncombe, Caldwell, Catawba, Graham, Hickory City, Macon, McDowell, Newton-Conover, Polk, Queens Grant Preparatory, Thomas Jefferson Classical, Transylvania
- **Business Visits:** Bo’s Entertainment Center, Drake Enterprises, Facebook Data Center, Jimmie’s Restaurant, SALT Block, The Boiler Room
- **Cultural/Historical:** Caldwell Historical Museum, Janaluska Memorial Museum, Transylvania Heritage Museum
- **Other Visits:** Caldwell Public Library, Carrier Park, Lake James State Park, Transylvania Public Library
- Buses arrive at Western Carolina

Day 6, Friday, May 20

- Final Bus Meetings
- Closing Session: Recognition of Bus Drivers, Bus Teams, & Discovery Staff followed by Bus Team Presentations and Cheers
- Final Reflections
- Buses Depart for Home