

Thanks a Billion!

The North Carolina Education Lottery (NCEL) has completed its third full year of operations. The NCEL finished the fiscal year with sales of \$1.293 billion and transfers of more than \$410 million, which surpassed the amount budgeted by the NCEL Commission. Transfers from launch to-date at the end of the fiscal year were over \$1.136 billion.

All of this is good news for the beneficiaries of lottery proceeds. GS§18C-164 prescribes how the beneficiary dollars will be spent. One hundred percent of the net proceeds go to education programs. The dollars are divided in the following manner: 50 percent to More at Four and class size reduction, 40 percent to school construction, and 10 percent to need-based college scholarships. By statute, only these four programs receive lottery proceeds.

Dollars raised by the NCEL are dollars that do not have to be funded by state or local taxes.

The NCEL transfers proceeds on a quarterly basis to the Office of State Budget and Management. This office then disburses the dollars to the individual programs based on the statutory requirements.

More At Four

The More at Four pre-kindergarten program serves at-risk four year olds. It is an award winning program that has been duplicated by other states. All 100 counties in North Carolina benefit from this program. In FY09, the NCEL funded 16,687 slots for four year olds.

Class-Size Reduction

The Governor and the Legislature set a goal of one teacher per 18 students in grades K-3. NCEL proceeds fund the teaching positions needed to reduce class size. In FY09, 2,031 teaching positions were funded by lottery dollars, encompassing every county in the state.

School Construction

School construction dollars may be used by the counties for any capital project. Dollars are allocated to the counties based on student population and average property tax. In FY09, counties initiated 223 construction projects. Since inception, the number of projects at the end of the fiscal year is 458. Schools have used the dollars for large projects like purchasing land, building schools, or building additions to schools; and for small projects like new gym floors, cafeteria expansion, auditorium renovation, bathroom renovation, new roofs, stadium repairs, and the list goes on. Counties may bank their dollars in order to amass sufficient funds for a large project, or they may spend the dollars as they are transferred to the capital accounts. Counties may also use the proceeds to pay down school bonds.

Need-Based College Scholarships

For the 08/09 school year, 30,178 students received education lottery college scholarships to attend 113 different institutions of higher education. In order to receive an education lottery scholarship, the student must first qualify for the Pell Grant which is a federal grant available to students whose families cannot afford to pay for college. The students must be a North Carolina resident and attend an institution in North Carolina.



For more Information

At-Risk Pre-K Programs &
Class Size Reduction
ncpublicschools.org

School Construction
schoolclearinghouse.org

College Scholarships
ncseaa.edu

NC Education Lottery
nc-educationlottery.org



DISTRIBUTION OF FY09 FUNDS BY COUNTY

COUNTY	SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION ¹	SCHOLARSHIPS ⁴ NO.	SCHOLARSHIPS ⁴ \$*	CLASS SIZE ² TEACHERS	CLASS SIZE ² \$	MORE AT FOUR ³ NO. SLOTS	MORE AT FOUR ³ \$	FY09 TOTAL	PREVIOUS TOTAL	TOTAL TO-DATE
ALAMANCE	\$2,561,544	503	\$540,319	31.35	\$1,700,549	236	\$1,139,391	\$5,941,803	\$7,738,301	\$13,680,105
ALEXANDER	636,503	145	165,826	7.89	427,985	64	307,252	1,537,566	1,994,247	3,531,812.15
ALLEGHANY	178,595	42	45,877	2.20	119,337	36	174,109	517,918	808,790	1,326,708.21
ANSON	456,672	78	84,437	5.57	302,139	87	419,911	1,263,159	2,544,397	3,807,555.03
ASHE	370,807	108	123,414	4.47	242,471	86	414,790	1,151,482	1,897,510	3,048,991.67
AVERY	252,194	71	85,816	3.06	165,987	55	266,285	770,282	1,250,060	2,020,341.26
BEAUFORT	809,808	164	170,218	10.16	551,119	96	465,998	1,997,143	2,847,313	4,844,456.18
BERTIE	342,672	67	72,073	3.96	214,806	85	409,669	1,039,220	1,857,461	2,896,680.84
BLADEN	610,958	125	128,539	7.49	406,288	145	701,558	1,847,343	3,713,092	5,560,434.77
BRUNSWICK	1,339,629	270	296,765	16.87	915,096	226	1,093,304	3,644,794	4,790,550	8,435,343.17
BUNCOMBE	3,319,021	666	748,483	40.18	2,179,524	176	852,623	7,099,651	9,505,954	16,605,605.57
BURKE	1,592,384	469	510,111	18.52	1,004,599	249	1,203,402	4,310,496	6,902,320	11,212,816.21
CABARRUS	3,659,217	561	590,515	49.36	2,677,484	268	1,295,578	8,222,794	13,887,891	22,110,684.80
CALDWELL	1,480,186	357	397,341	17.89	970,425	84	404,548	3,252,500	4,177,210	7,429,709.64
CAMDEN	223,947	28	31,368	2.90	157,308	17	84,494	497,117	873,998	1,371,115.53
CARTERET	931,348	201	226,494	10.52	570,647	102	491,603	2,220,092	3,066,407	5,286,498.65
CASWELL	358,539	68	71,523	4.35	235,961	46	222,757	888,780	1,543,149	2,431,929.52
CATAWBA	2,848,847	663	771,476	34.84	1,889,860	190	916,634	6,426,817	8,206,869	14,633,686.18
CHATHAM	883,744	119	135,755	11.65	631,943	144	696,437	2,347,879	3,842,176	6,190,054.92
CHEROKEE	411,430	95	103,212	4.75	257,659	66	320,054	1,092,355	1,606,703	2,699,057.36
CHOWAN	273,689	40	48,162	3.34	181,175	30	145,945	648,971	1,043,496	1,692,466.05
CLAY	156,201	35	36,390	2.00	108,488	23	112,659	413,738	630,262	1,043,999.69
CLEVELAND	1,887,003	433	481,478	22.32	1,210,726	268	1,293,017	4,872,224	9,560,432	14,432,656.08
COLUMBUS	1,062,902	188	218,462	13.38	725,784	229	1,108,666	3,115,814	5,967,462	9,083,276.52
CRAVEN	1,649,438	325	344,110	21.50	1,166,246	120	578,657	3,738,451	4,979,713	8,718,163.86
CUMBERLAND	5,940,772	1,194	1,423,627	71.80	3,894,719	1,055	5,095,256	16,354,374	29,403,329	45,757,702.71
CURRITUCK	457,571	47	55,739	5.37	291,290	25	122,901	927,501	1,214,095	2,141,595.35
DARE	542,200	93	104,574	6.55	355,298	57	276,526	1,278,598	1,635,721	2,914,319.29
DAVIDSON	2,987,603	467	495,095	37.24	2,020,047	218	1,054,897	6,557,642	9,149,271	15,706,913.01
DAVIE	758,492	117	141,922	9.06	491,451	108	522,328	1,914,193	3,134,310	5,048,502.44
DUPLIN	1,011,359	166	166,702	13.73	744,770	136	658,031	2,580,862	4,475,581	7,056,442.40
DURHAM	3,699,393	755	861,308	49.67	2,694,299	225	1,085,622	8,340,622	14,730,665	23,071,287.04
EDGECOMBE	838,957	222	218,818	10.44	566,307	224	1,080,501	2,704,583	4,570,413	7,274,995.98
FORSYTH	5,827,674	1,080	1,253,170	74.59	4,046,060	381	1,838,389	12,965,293	23,035,725	36,001,018.48
FRANKLIN	970,510	140	146,009	12.16	659,607	48	230,439	2,006,565	3,517,608	5,524,172.97
GASTON	3,660,007	674	731,546	43.75	2,373,175	512	2,473,375	9,238,103	16,528,029	25,766,132.00
GATES	224,959	25	26,402	2.55	138,322	26	125,461	515,144	1,051,076	1,566,219.78
GRAHAM	134,932	30	33,970	1.69	91,672	31	151,065	411,639	606,441	1,018,080.44
GRANVILLE	1,006,409	190	210,572	11.61	629,773	80	384,065	2,230,819	3,999,666	6,230,484.95
GREENE	378,796	63	67,465	4.79	259,829	65	312,372	1,018,462	1,881,931	2,900,393.07
GUILFORD	8,127,234	1,962	2,129,697	97.23	5,274,144	1,177	5,686,715	21,217,790	36,629,526	57,847,316.35
HALIFAX	959,817	202	231,004	11.96	648,759	145	698,997	2,538,577	4,429,530	6,968,106.91
HARNETT	2,108,247	287	302,085	26.60	1,442,890	175	844,942	4,698,164	8,271,078	12,969,242.16
HAYWOOD	899,612	209	240,223	10.91	591,802	68	327,735	2,059,372	2,513,397	4,572,769.00
HENDERSON	1,485,023	273	302,440	18.76	1,017,617	104	504,405	3,309,485	4,412,884	7,722,368.35
HERTFORD	369,793	56	56,973	4.39	238,131	85	409,669	1,074,566	2,129,923	3,204,488.57
HOKE	848,747	128	139,123	12.48	676,965	225	1,085,622	2,750,457	4,210,956	6,961,412.84
HYDE	72,134	12	13,177	0.86	46,650	13	64,011	195,972	341,220	537,191.29
IREDELL	3,098,789	468	548,756	36.92	2,002,688	178	860,304	6,510,537	8,516,839	15,027,376.39
JACKSON	424,824	122	138,025	5.42	294,002	34	163,868	1,020,719	1,655,679	2,676,397.80
JOHNSTON	3,546,345	380	422,858	45.94	2,491,969	251	1,211,083	7,672,255	13,566,828	21,239,083.81
JONES	140,332	41	41,543	1.73	93,842	41	199,714	475,431	1,033,657	1,509,087.68
LEE	1,085,409	212	225,005	13.77	746,940	164	791,173	2,848,527	5,140,008	7,988,534.69

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LENOIR	\$1,084,171	310	\$348,516	12.52	\$679,135	131	\$632,426	\$2,744,248	\$5,025,865	\$7,770,113.07
LINCOLN	1,390,382	218	257,258	16.20	878,753	105	509,526	3,035,919	4,419,458	7,455,376.53
MACON	498,983	175	189,494	6.08	329,804	73	353,339	1,371,620	1,881,925	3,253,545.05
MADISON	297,320	78	81,085	3.69	200,160	24	115,219	693,784	922,619	1,616,403.26
MARTIN	458,134	33	27,221	5.69	308,648	63	302,131	1,096,134	2,043,775	3,139,908.31
MCDOWELL	744,877	97	108,575	9.26	502,299	98	471,119	1,826,870	2,515,089	4,341,959.01
MECKLENBURG	15,258,186	2,486	2,690,827	200.10	10,854,224	990	4,782,883	33,586,120	61,212,018	94,798,137.81
MITCHELL	247,467	59	75,620	3.06	165,987	22	107,538	596,612	898,536	1,495,148.53
MONTGOMERY	501,236	94	95,064	6.59	357,468	116	558,174	1,511,942	2,634,227	4,146,168.88
MOORE	1,387,793	242	265,790	16.24	880,923	28	133,142	2,667,648	3,445,921	6,113,569.05
NASH	1,997,963	304	328,633	24.29	1,317,587	149	722,041	4,366,224	7,690,628	12,056,852.25
NEW HANOVER	2,707,163	673	739,381	34.02	1,845,381	351	1,695,005	6,986,930	10,783,607	17,770,536.56
NORTHAMPTON	306,998	72	69,466	3.84	208,297	76	366,141	950,902	1,885,609	2,836,510.99
ONSLOW	2,698,724	480	530,337	35.12	1,905,049	353	1,705,246	6,839,356	8,147,027	14,986,383.61
ORANGE	2,103,972	249	298,997	24.45	1,326,266	152	734,843	4,464,078	7,806,777	12,270,854.69
PAMLICO	168,803	24	23,396	1.69	91,672	37	176,670	460,541	765,300	1,225,840.74
PASQUOTANK	693,446	133	147,791	8.99	487,654	57	273,966	1,602,857	2,347,298	3,950,155.50
PENDER	917,842	138	153,739	11.14	604,278	106	512,086	2,187,945	2,886,496	5,074,441.02
PERQUIMANS	211,681	48	66,554	2.67	144,831	38	184,351	607,417	753,480	1,360,897.00
PERSON	627,275	175	175,182	7.69	417,136	65	312,372	1,531,965	2,833,906	4,365,871.64
PITT	2,614,886	759	883,819	32.29	1,751,539	302	1,456,885	6,707,129	11,020,537	17,727,665.40
POLK	284,830	47	57,573	3.61	195,821	51	248,362	786,586	1,284,225	2,070,810.62
RANDOLPH	2,654,047	431	465,068	33.31	1,806,868	178	860,304	5,786,287	7,862,416	13,648,703.72
RICHMOND	897,249	168	153,262	10.63	576,614	137	660,591	2,287,716	4,831,304	7,119,019.63
ROBESON	2,685,896	497	542,798	34.96	1,896,370	591	2,854,879	7,979,943	14,582,774	22,562,717.15
ROCKINGHAM	1,612,864	290	318,283	19.73	1,070,234	151	727,162	3,728,543	6,930,385	10,658,928.42
ROWAN	2,476,804	525	595,495	28.13	1,525,884	179	862,865	5,461,048	9,363,912	14,824,960.26
RUTHERFORD	1,087,774	300	291,548	13.11	711,139	171	824,458	2,914,919	4,459,974	7,374,893.29
SAMPSON	1,309,017	226	219,325	17.46	947,100	198	957,601	3,433,043	6,116,369	9,549,412.01
SCOTLAND	762,094	125	113,670	9.53	516,945	159	768,129	2,160,838	4,163,130	6,323,968.44
STANLY	1,071,793	222	239,139	12.60	683,474	193	931,997	2,926,403	5,259,503	8,185,905.34
STOKES	820,499	156	182,026	9.34	506,639	115	555,613	2,064,777	4,077,951	6,142,728.63
SURRY	1,312,171	322	353,680	15.78	855,971	144	693,877	3,215,699	6,086,779	9,302,477.86
SWAIN	212,805	48	57,788	2.43	131,813	45	215,076	617,482	925,579	1,543,060.93
TRANSYLVANIA	425,612	67	74,285	4.94	267,965	35	168,988	936,850	1,344,570	2,281,420.76
TYRRELL	64,596	13	14,362	0.78	42,310	10	46,088	167,356	355,321	522,677.08
UNION	4,434,929	547	602,514	57.83	3,136,931	294	1,418,478	9,592,852	13,820,008	23,412,860.72
VANCE	863,040									