



**NC Mayors Association:
2026 Fall Meeting Agenda**

*September 16-17th, 2026
The Beaufort Hotel | Beaufort, NC*

Day One - Wednesday, September 16, 2026

Lunch on your own

- | | |
|-----------------|---|
| 12:00 pm | Mayors Meeting Check-in |
| 1:00 pm | Welcome
<i>Mayor Olivia Dawson, Burgaw (NCMA President)</i>
<i>Mayor Sharon Harker, Beaufort</i> |
| 1:15 pm | Mayors Moment
<i>1 hour</i> |
| 2:15 pm | NC East Alliance
<i>Trey Goodson, NCEA Chief Information Officer</i>
<i>Whitney Hernandez, NCEA Director of Instructional Engagement</i>
<i>Bianca Shoneman, NCEA VP of Community Development</i> |
| 3:15 pm | Networking Break
<i>NC Mayors Association Members</i> |
| 3:30 pm | Legislative Leaders Panel
<i>NC Senator Brinson</i>
<i>NC Representative Cairns</i> |
| 4:30 pm | Break
<i>Hotel check-in</i> |
| 5:30 pm | Reception |
| 6:30 pm | Dinner
<i>Keynote Speaker Secretary Denny</i> |



Day Two – Thursday, September 17, 2026

8:00 am Networking Breakfast

9:00 am State Legislative Update

*Erin Wynia, Director of Government Affairs, NCLM and Seth Palmer,
Director of Urban Affairs, NCLM*

10:00 am Data Centers

Ron Smith, Town Manager City of Statesville

11:00 am Networking Break [MMC Sponsored]

NC Mayors Association Members

11:15 am Mayors Moment (Continued)

11:45 am NC Mayors Business Update

Mayor Olivia Dawson, Burgaw (NCMA President)

12:00 pm Adjourn

Lunch on your own

**This agenda is subject to change without notice.*