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Good evening, CCS Families,

We are SOARING into the 2022-23 school year and would like to thank each of you for your support in making our start one of the best to date! We truly value our partnership, and as such, I want to take this opportunity to remind you that you have choices in your child's education.

Catawba County Schools is committed to empowering parents and guardians to make decisions about curriculum resources used in the classroom. Per CCS Board Policy, 3.6100, parents have the right to inspect all instructional and supplementary materials used in connection with any applicable federally funded program. Parents also may review all other instructional materials following procedures provided by the school or superintendent.

We trust our teachers to keep you informed of upcoming classroom activities and deliver engaging lessons with grade-level appropriate supplemental materials. If you are uncomfortable with the activities or supplemental resources, please reach out to your classroom teacher first. We often can provide a different supplemental activity to meet your child's needs. Other classroom adaptations may need to take place to support the request. Students do not, however, have an option to opt out of state-mandated assessments.

Finally, you, as the parent/guardian, may also choose which books your child can access in the school library. We want to remind our families that you have the ability to search Follett Destiny, our digital media catalog, through your school's website, and you may choose to "flag" particular book titles to ensure that your child does not have access to any materials that you find objectionable. If you have questions about this process, please contact your school media coordinator.

We are fortunate to have a diverse population of students in our schools. Our goal is to support our students and parents and balance the workload for our teachers. We have not changed any of these instructional procedures this year, but we did want to ensure that all parents are informed. Our teachers will continue to teach the standard course of study, using supplemental materials that are grade-level appropriate, and that inspire our students.

Thank you as always for partnering with us to support your child's education.

Sincerely,

Matthew W. Stover, Ed.D.  
Superintendent