

**Request for Approval of Mission Statement  
NC School of Science and Mathematics (NCSSM)**

NCSSM's mission statement previously read:

The mission of the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics, a public residential high school, is to help meet North Carolina's need for responsible leadership in the development and application of science, mathematics and technology, and to act as a catalyst for educational improvement throughout North Carolina and the nation.

Endorsed by NCSSM Staff and Students 2/16/90.

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On September 23, 2016, the NCSSM Board of Trustees voted to approve the following proposed mission statement:

The mission of the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics, an intellectually stimulating, diverse, and collaborative community, is to:

- educate academically talented students to become state, national, and global leaders in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics,
- advance public education in North Carolina,
- and inspire innovation for the betterment of humankind,

through challenging residential and virtual programs driven by instructional excellence and the excitement of discovery.