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We are former teachers, community members, and parents who believe every child deserves a high-quality, safe education. COVID-19 school closures threaten to widen pre-existing opportunity gaps that disproportionately impact low-income students and students of color.

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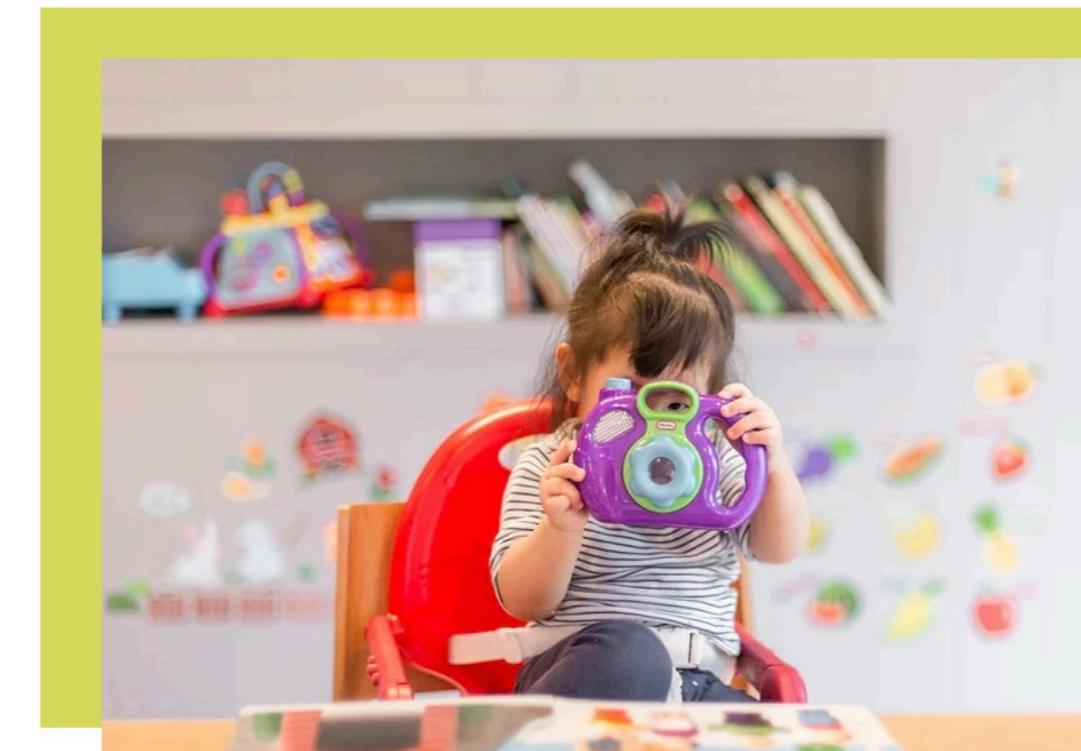




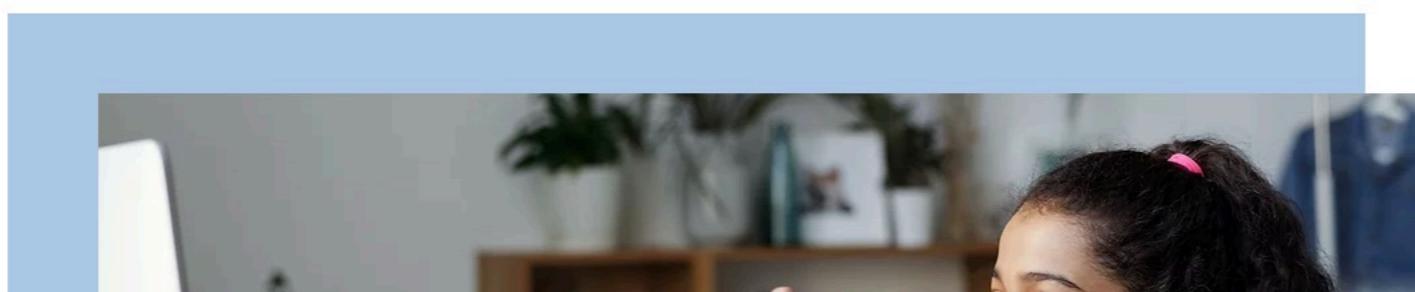
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We believe we each have a role to play to ensure that all children in Charlotte have access to an excellent education. This site aims to both connect existing learning resources to students and families who need them most and to connect willing volunteers with opportunities to advocate and give.



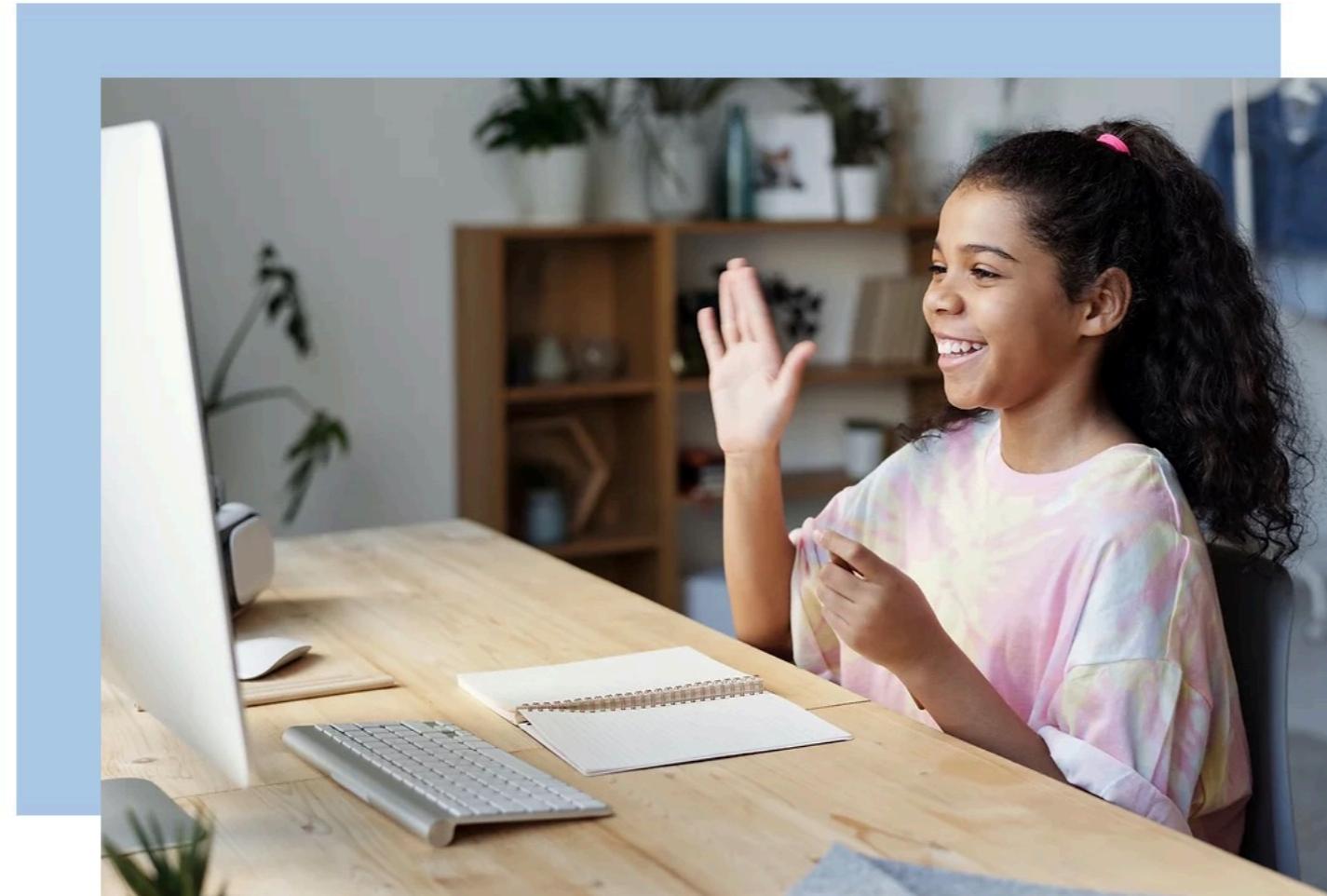
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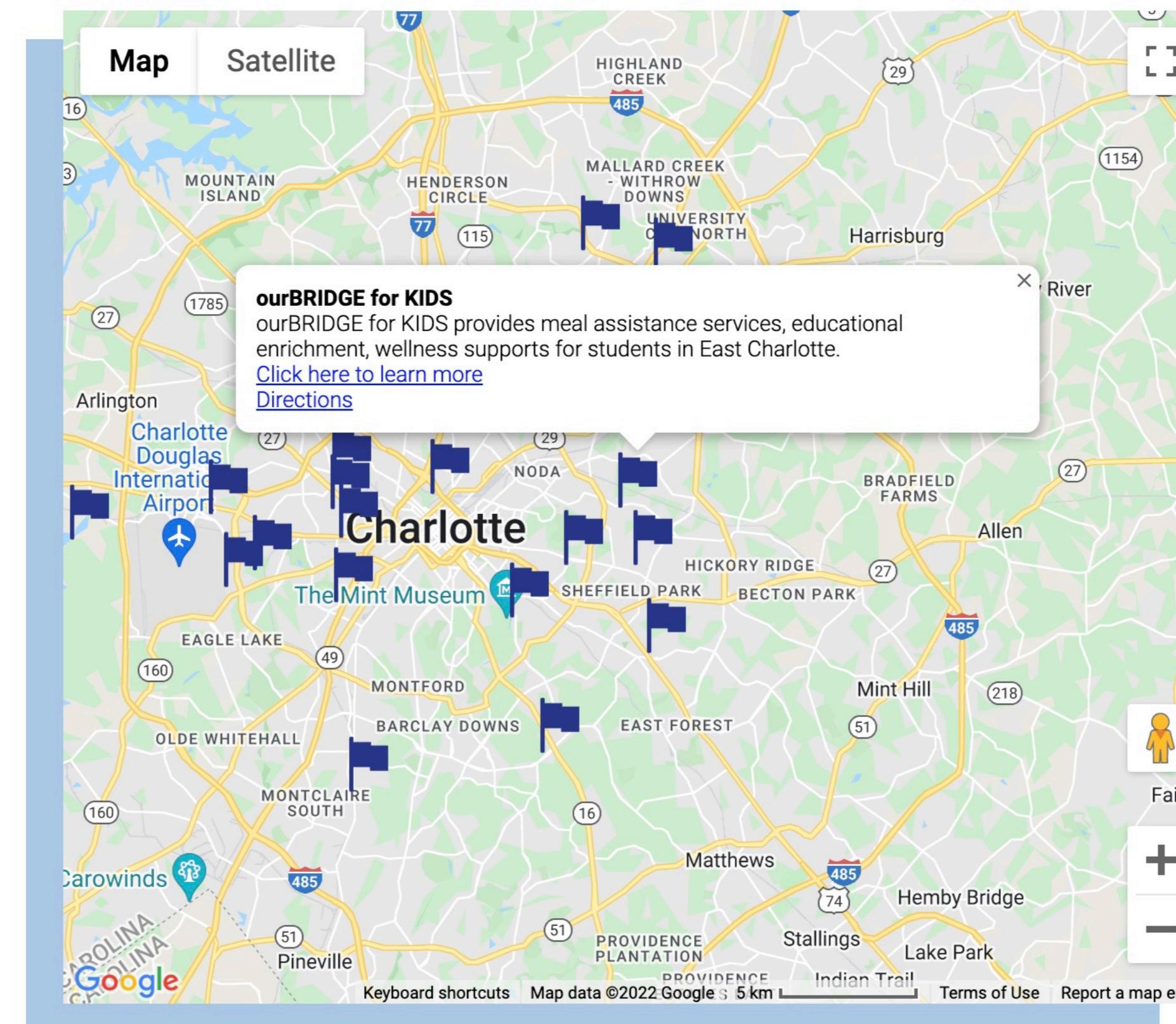
I have a resource to share.



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## Resource Map Charlotte-Mecklenburg



# What other resources are available?

Learning Resources

Child Care Resources

Health and Food Access

Community Events & Supports

## Learning Resources



Explore the reading resources at [READ Charlotte](#). Use their [Reading Checkup](#) to learn more about your child's reading level.



[QC Family Tree](#) is hosting a Tiny School for the upcoming 2020-2021 school year.



[UrbanPromise Charlotte](#)

[UrbanPromise Charlotte](#) provides youth with academic and social development and will be offering Urban Promise Academy this fall.



The public library offers various [online programs and supports](#). Additionally, any



Project 658 is hosting a microschool at Sailboat Bay



Digi-Bridge is partnering with Lowe's and Collins Aerospace in Charlotte to distribute [shoeboxes](#)

## Child Care Resources



[C.O.S. Kids of Matthews](#) provides reduced cost childcare to single parents. Fill out their [Child Care Assistance form](#) for more information.

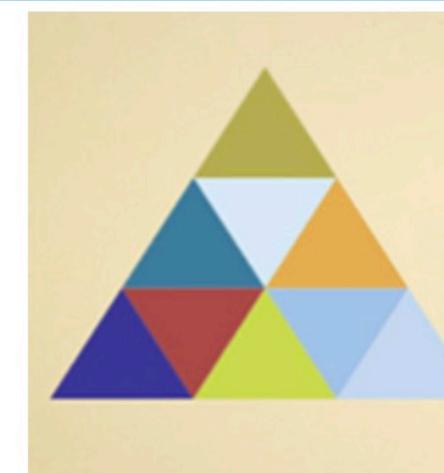
### child care financial aid

[Child Care Resources, Inc.](#) provides [child care financial aid](#) for qualified families. They also provide assistance in finding licensed, quality childcare in NC.

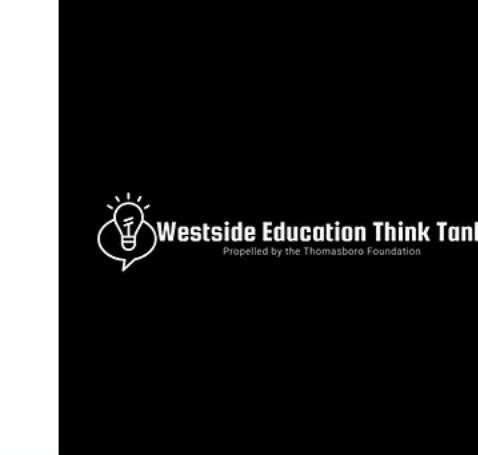


If you need child care for school-aged children call 1-888-600-1685 to be connected to options. You can learn more about [#staystrongNC here](#).

## Community Events and Supports



[Freedom Communities](#) provides support and resources to families on Charlotte's west side. They focus on education, affordable housing, and employment.

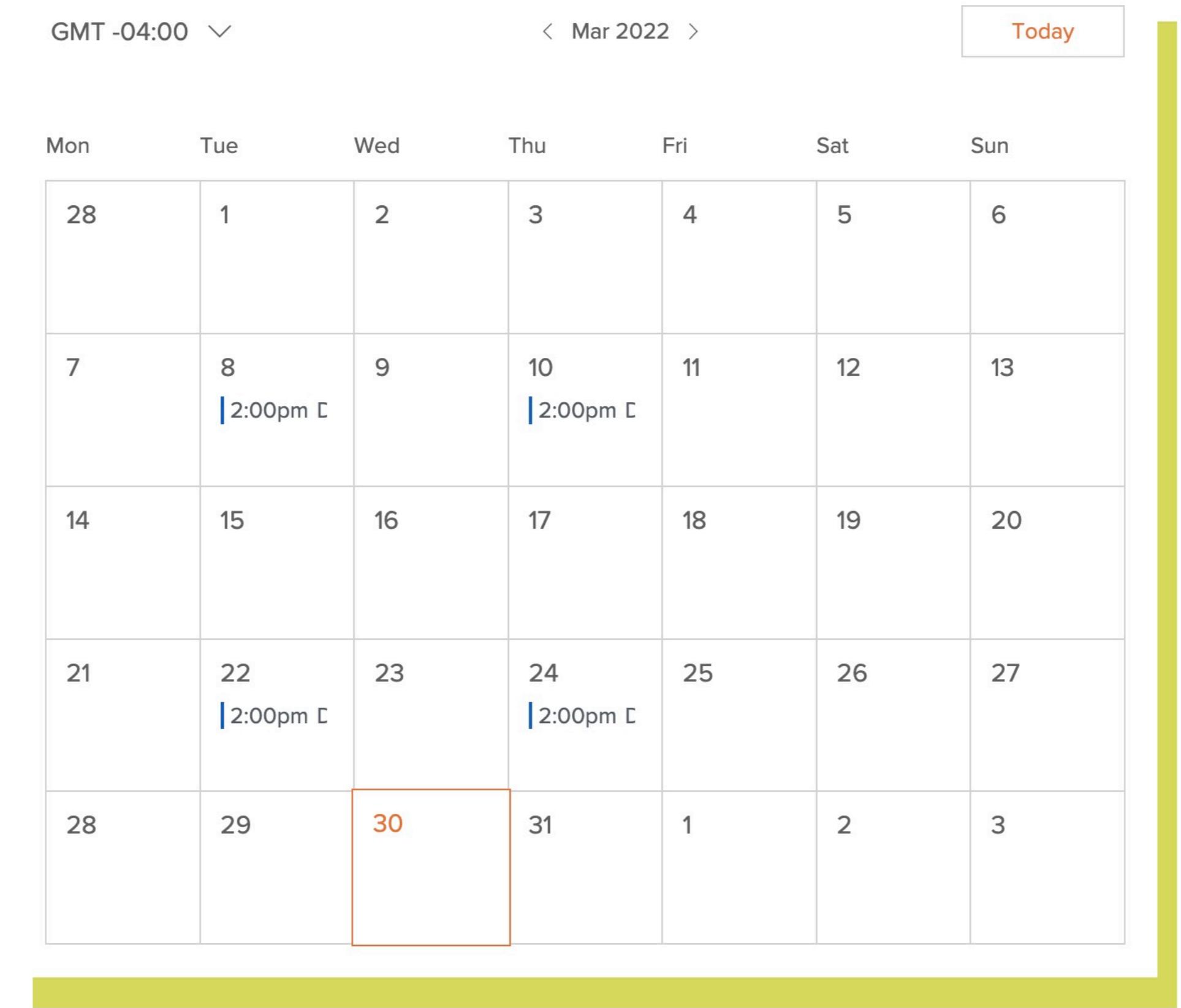


The Westside Education Think Tank is advocating for Charlotte's kids. [Find resources and action items on their Facebook page](#).

### COVID-19 MORTGAGE & RENT RELIEF

RampCLT is offering payment relief programs for multiple types of housing (hotel, mortgage, rental). [Find out how to apply for relief here](#).

# Resources and Opportunity Calendar



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# I want to help!

[Click here to see explore options and donate supplies:](#)

## Volunteer:



Become a digital math tutor through  
[Heart Math Tutoring](#)



Register to be a CMS volunteer with  
[North Star Reading Tutors](#)



Become a volunteer reading tutor  
with [Augustine Literacy Project](#)



[UrbanPromise Charlotte](#) needs tutors  
and mentors

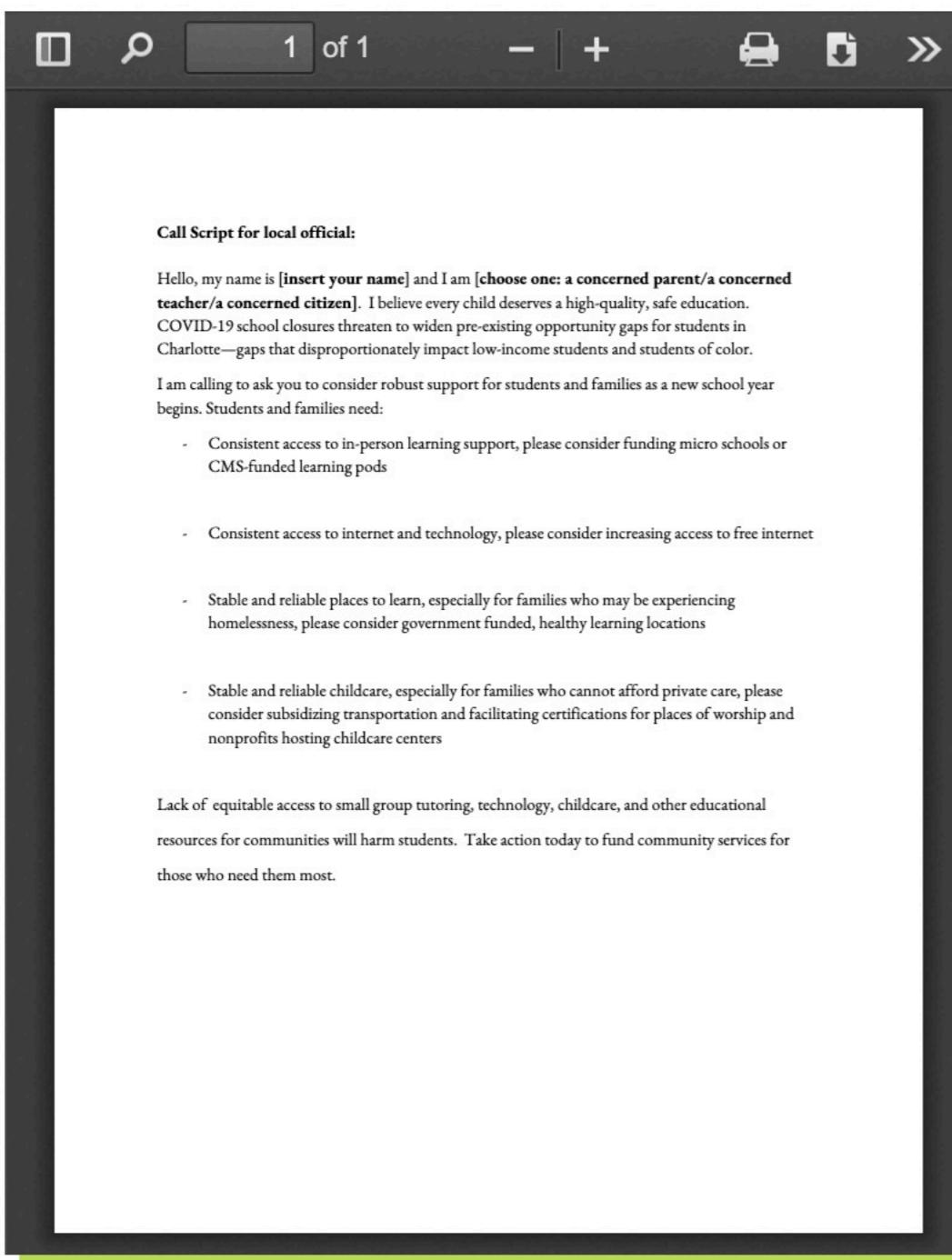
# I want to advocate for students!

[Sign the petition for equitable options](#)

[Find your school board member](#)

[Speak at a school board meeting](#)

## Call Script:



## Email template:



## Learn more:

[Equity in Pandemic Schooling: An Action Guide for Families, Educators, & Communities](#)

[\\$25,000 Pod Schools: How Well-to-Do Children Will Weather the Pandemic](#), New York Times

[On COVID-19 and Micro-schooling, Pods, and more](#), Integrated Schools

[Pandemic learning "pods" don't have to be just for the rich](#), Vox

[For parents who can afford it, a solution for fall: Bring the teachers to them](#), The Washington Post

[Is It Possible to Create Homeschooling Pods and Microschools Without "Opportunity Hoarding"?](#) Good Housekeeping

[Opinion: Let's use our privilege to make virtual learning equal for all in Charlotte](#), CharlotteFive

[Private 'school pods' are coming. They'll worsen inequality](#), The Washington Post

[Opinion: The Latest in School Segregation: Private Pandemic 'Pods'](#), New York Times

[7 Questions for Pod-Curious Parents](#), The Examined Family

[Frienemies of the Pods, Pt. 1](#), The Examined Family / The White Pages

[Frienemies of the Pods, Pt. 2](#), The Examined Family / The White Pages

