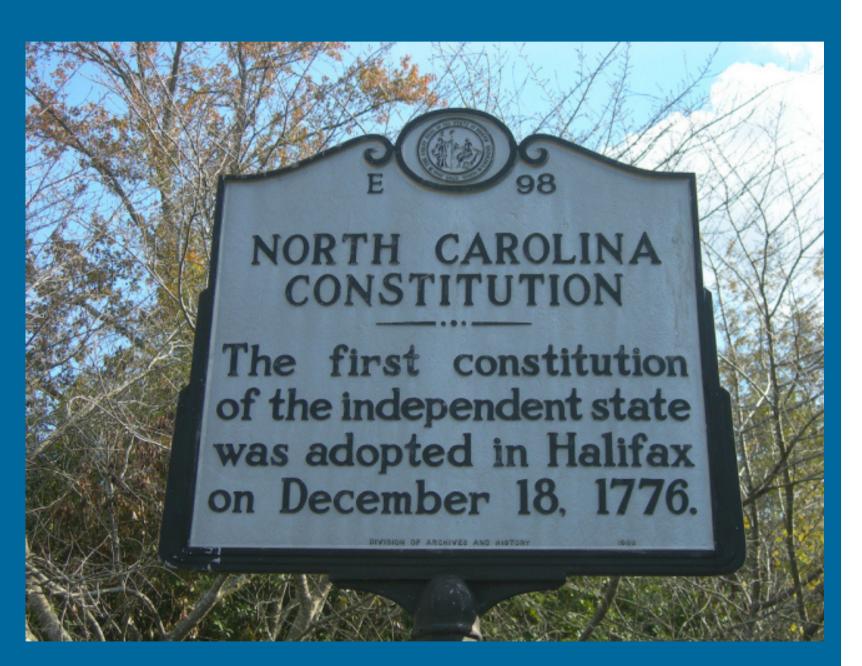


Leandro v. State of North Carolina

- Tied to our civil rights struggles
- Focus is at state level
- Priority is historically marginalized students
- Seeks to disrupt
 entrenched inequities



Whose responsibility is it?

State Constitution:

"The **General Assembly** shall provide by taxation and otherwise for a general and uniform system of free public schools..."

General Statute:

"To insure a quality education for every child in North Carolina, and to assure that the necessary resources are provided, **it is the policy of the State of North Carolina** to provide from State revenue sources the instructional expenses for current operations of the public school system as defined in the standard course of study."



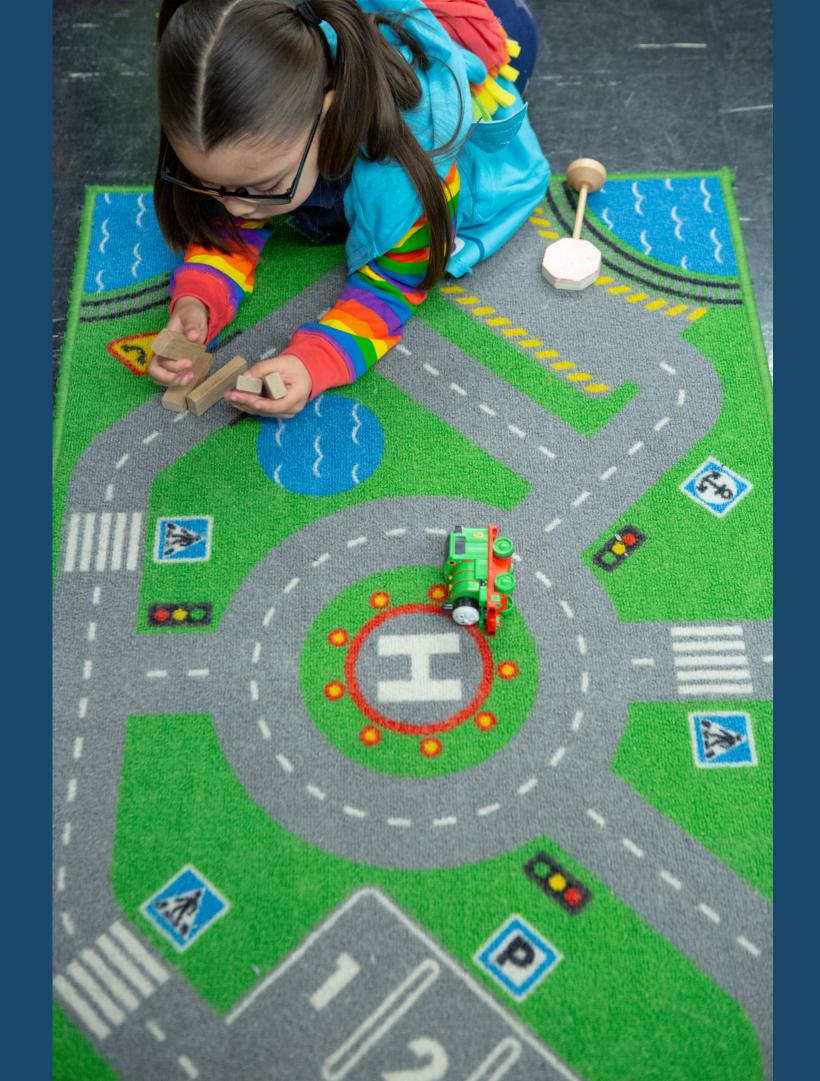
2021

Leandro Comprehensive Remedial Plan (Leandro Plan)

What is it? A comprehensive, detailed plan, based on the WestEd Report, to provide all students with a sound basic education by the 2027-28 school year

Why is it important? On June 7, 2021 Judge Lee signed an order requiring the state to implement the plan, "in full and in accordance with the timelines set forth therein"

The Leandro Plan Provides a Road Map for Getting NC Closer To Realizing **Education Equity**



Our Priority Student Groups

- Early childhood learners
- Black, brown and students of color
- Students with disabilities (physical, emotional, or learning differences)
- Students from low-income households
- Students living in rural districts
- Emergent bilinguals



2021

On Nov 11, 2021 Judge Lee rules that the state must allocate \$1.7 billion to fund the Leandro Plan for the 2022-2023 school years.

On Nov 30, 2021 the NC Court of Appeals voted 2-1 to block enforcement of the ruling



Where are we in 2022?

The Leandro case will now head to the NC Supreme Court later this month

NC Justice Center's Friends of Leandro Amicus Brief



North Carolina children urgently need what the Leandro Plan DELIVERS -

>>> LEANDRO ACTION WEEK <<

KICK-OFF

Sat. Aug. 27 10 a.m. - 12 noon

Halifax Mall next to NC Dept. of Public Instruction

301 N. Wilmington St. Raleigh

PRESS CONFERENCE

Wed. Aug. 31 9 a.m.

NC Supreme Court 2 E. Morgan St. Raleigh

followed by:

PRAYER VIGIL

hosted by Pastors for NC Children

POST-HEARING DEBRIEF

online event with Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights

> details to come



