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SECU's Statewide Network of 275 Branches to Serve as Collection Sites for Governor's School Supply Drive
– *More than 19,000 school supply items were collected at SECU branches in 2025* –

RALEIGH, N.C. – [State Employees' Credit Union](#) (SECU) is pleased to announce its support for the 2026 Governor's School Supply Drive, accepting donations at its [statewide network of 275 branches](#) now through July 31.

Last year, more than 19,000 school supply items were collected at SECU branches, helping save North Carolina teachers and families an estimated \$59,000 in classroom expenses.



SECU representatives helped kick off the Governor's School Supply Drive in Raleigh (*pictured left to right*): Chief Information Technology Officer Lee Chalk, Chief Operating Officer Jennifer Hamrick, Board member Thomas Parrish, youth mascot FAT CAT®, Board member McKinley Wooten, Jr., and President and CEO Leigh Brady.

SECU branches have served as collection sites for the Governor's School Supply Drive for eight years, providing convenient drop-off locations in all of North Carolina's 100 counties. Donations collected at SECU branches will remain in the county where they are collected and will be distributed to local public schools ahead of the new academic year, allowing community members to directly support local teachers and students.

"As a not-for-profit, member-owned cooperative whose core membership includes North Carolina's public school employees and their families, SECU's support for the state's teachers and students is a natural extension of our commitment to the people and communities we serve," said President and CEO Leigh Brady. "Our branch presence in all 100 counties makes us uniquely positioned to serve as collection sites for this important initiative and help connect local donations with local classrooms. We welcome everyone – not just members – to stop by any of our branches to drop off their donated items."

While all new school supply drive donations are appreciated, most-needed items include paper of all types, pencils and pens, markers and crayons, dry-erase markers, spiral notebooks, sanitizing wipes, and tissues.

To find an SECU branch near you, visit: locations.ncsecu.org/search.

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As a not-for-profit financial cooperative owned by its members and federally insured by the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA), SECU has been providing employees of the state of North Carolina and their families with consumer financial services for 89 years. SECU is the second largest credit union in the United States with over \$60 billion in assets. It serves more than 2.9 million members through 275 branch offices, 1,100 ATMs, Member Services Support via phone, www.ncsecu.org, and the SECU Mobile App.