

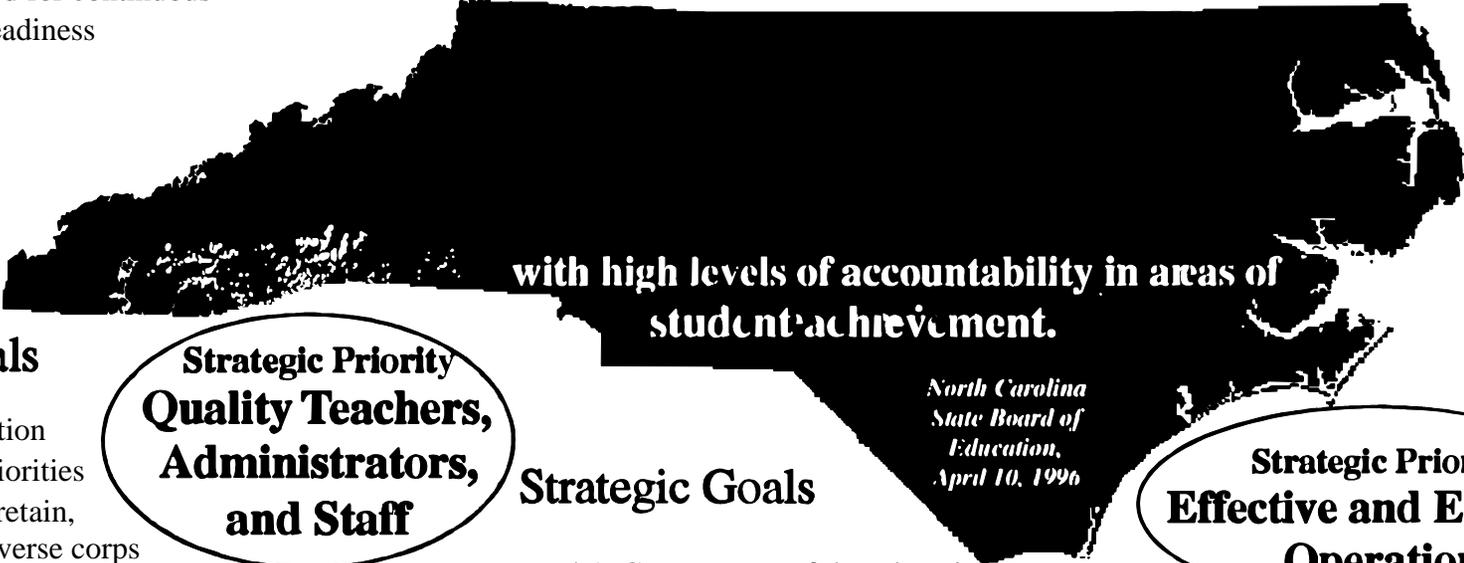
Figure 2

# The ABCs Plus: North Carolina's Strategic Plan for Excellent Schools Strategic Goals

- 1.1 Every child ready to learn
- 1.2 Rigorous and relevant academic standards and assessment systems
- 1.3 Mastery of essential knowledge and skills by every student
- 1.4 Every student prepared for continuous learning and career readiness

- 2.1 Learning environments inviting and supportive of high student performance
- 2.2 Schools free of controlled and illegal substances and harmful behavior
- 2.3 Mutual respect of students, teachers, administrators and parents
- 2.4 Adequate, safe education facilities that support high student performance

**Strategic Priority  
Safe and Orderly  
Schools**



## Strategic Goals

- 3.1 Professional preparation aligned with state priorities
- 3.2 A system to recruit, retain, and compensate a diverse corps of quality teachers, administrators and staff
- 3.3 A system to ensure high performance of teachers, administrators and staff
- 3.4 A system of continuous learning and professional development to support high performance of all employees
- 3.5 High ethical and professional standards for all employees

**Strategic Priority  
Quality Teachers,  
Administrators,  
and Staff**

## Strategic Goals

- 4.1 Components of the education system aligned to achieve high performance
- 4.2 Decision making authority and control at the most appropriate level closest to the classroom
- 4.3 Internal and external partnerships promoted and aligned to state goals
- 4.4 Information and accountability systems capable of reporting strategic and operational results
- 4.5 A funding system to provide adequate and aligned financial and personnel resources to maximize educational achievement

**Strategic Priority  
Effective and Efficient  
Operation**

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**Note:** Applications of technology and information management systems will be integral to strategies undertaken in support of the strategic goals.