



# EDENTON-CHOWAN SCHOOLS

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## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, NC Senate Bill 1199 established the Agriscience and Biotechnology Regional School Planning Commission to develop a plan for a regional school and ensure that the model is replicable, sustainable, and scalable, and;

**WHEREAS**, the economy of Chowan County, NC and the surrounding area is heavily influenced by agriculture and agricultural related industries and is a prime location for the development of value-added crops and sustainable agriculture, and;

**WHEREAS**, many students live in rural areas or on farms where they learn the value of work, the multi-craftsmanship of entrepreneurship, and the skill of building networking support combined with independence, and;

**WHEREAS**, Edenton-Chowan Schools has a sustainable vocational agriculture program at John A. Holmes High School, and;

**WHEREAS**, an Agriscience and Biotechnology Regional High School in northeast North Carolina would provide additional educational opportunities for a wider geographic area, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Vernon G. James Research and Extension Center located in Washington County is an ideal location for a model school that supports the plans of the Agriscience and Biotechnology Regional School Planning Commission, and;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Edenton-Chowan Board of Education supports the establishment of a regional Agriscience and Biotechnology Regional High School located in Washington County, NC at the site of the Vernon G. James Research and Extension Center.

Adopted this 6th day of December, 2010.

### EDENTON-CHOWAN BOARD OF EDUCATION

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