

## Governor's Senior Education Adviser Calls for Expanded E-Learning

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RALEIGH, (SGRToday.com) - Expand E-Learning opportunities for North Carolina students. That's the message of a letter sent this week by Eric Guckian to Federal Communications Commission Chairman Thomas Wheeler.

Guckian is Gov. Pat McCrory's senior education advisor. "As you know, in today's global economy, it is crucial that our students are prepared for success in a competitive workforce," Guckian wrote in a letter released by the governor's office. "The best way to do this is to promote personalized education systems and supports that enable learning to take place anytime, anywhere."

While 60 percent of schools across the nation have the Wi-Fi connections necessary for E-learning, 78 percent of North Carolina's schools do not, according to the statement.

State Chief Information Officer Chris Estes and the governor met with the Federal Communications Commission in June to ask that North Carolina share in funding that would help the state extend Wi-Fi access to every K – 12 classroom.

Guckian's letter can be found at <http://governor.nc.gov/sites/default/files/Eric%20Guckian%20E-rate%20Support%20Letter.pdf>