



2023-24 KENAN FELLOWS & PARTNERS

ALAMANCE-BURLINGTON

Shavon Via

Eastlawn Elementary School
STEPS4GROWTH Clean Energy Fellowship: Energy Efficiency
Mentor: TBD
Sponsor: NCBCE

BRUNSWICK COUNTY SCHOOLS

Ashanda Grissett

The COAST
North Carolina Oysters
Mentor: Heather Morton,
Brunswick County Farm Bureau
Sponsors: NC Farm Bureau
Federation and Brunswick County
Farm Bureau

BUNCOMBE COUNTY SCHOOLS

Amanda Corbitt

Reynolds Middle School
Dogwood Health Trust Fellowship
Mentor: Carol Steen, Biltmore
Farms
Sponsor: Dogwood Health Trust

CABARRUS COUNTY SCHOOLS

Michelle Toepfer

JN Fries Magnet School
Igniting Futures in Tech with SparkNC
Mentors: Patricia Hilliard and Joe
Ableidinger, SparkNC
Sponsor: SparkNC

CAMDEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

Rick Lage

Camden Early College
Northeastern NC Computational Thinking/Computer Science Fellowship

Mentors: Rick Evans, TCOM
Sponsor: NC DPI

CHAPEL HILL-CARRBORO CITY

Christine Sudzina Schut

East Chapel Hill High School
Memories and Fruit Flies
Mentor: Toshihide Hige,
UNC-Chapel Hill
Sponsor: UNC-Chapel Hill

CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG

Tempestt Harrison

Mallard Creek High School
STEPS4GROWTH Clean Energy Fellowship: Grid and Storage
Mentor: TBD
Sponsor: NCBCE

Wyounda Horton

Druid Hills Academy
STEPS4GROWTH Clean Energy Fellowship: Grid and Storage
Mentor: TBD
Sponsor: NCBCE

Elijah Watson

Ranson IB Middle School
Powering Smart, Sustainable Cities with Siemens Energy Hub
Mentor: Dawn Braswell,
Siemens Energy
Sponsor: Duke Energy

DURHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Deborah Granger

The School for Creative Studies
Biogen Foundation Fellowship
Mentors: Tracy Ahrens, Biogen
Sponsor: Biogen Foundation

Jessica Odom

Charles E. Jordan High School

Biogen Foundation Fellowship

Mentors: Emily Norris, Q2 Lab
Solutions and
Tracy Ahrens, Biogen
Sponsor: Biogen Foundation

Joy Mason

George Watts Montessori
Magnet
From the Mountains to the Outer Banks with the NC State Climate Office
Mentors: Kathie Dello
and Rebecca Ward, State
Climate Office
Sponsor: N.C. State Climate
Office

EDGEcombe COUNTY SCHOOLS

Kenya Raynor

Phillips Middle School
Whole Community Health Fellows
Mentor: Jeanne Bonds, UNC
Chapel Hill
Sponsor: Whole Community
Health

GATES COUNTY SCHOOLS

Anna Seaborn-Pugh

Gatesville Elementary School
Northeastern NC Computational Thinking/Computer Science Fellowship
Mentors: Brittney Wilder,
Nucor Steel
Sponsor: NC DPI

GUILFORD COUNTY SCHOOLS

Claudja Dwight

Brown Summit Middle School

Igniting Futures in Tech with SparkNC

Mentors: Patricia Hilliard and Joe
Ableidinger, SparkNC
Sponsor: SparkNC

HALIFAX COUNTY SCHOOLS

Dawn Stokes

Enfield Middle S.T.E.A.M.
Academy
EmPowering Education with Roanoke Electric Cooperative
Mentors: Dennis McFee and
Chris Nault
Sponsor: North Carolina's
Electric Cooperatives and
Roanoke Electric Cooperative

HENDERSON COUNTY SCHOOLS

Holly Kolarova

Clear Creek Elementary
Dogwood Health Trust Fellowship
Mentors: Molly Nicholie and
Danielle Raucheisen, ASAP
Sponsor: Dogwood Health Trust

JOHNSTON COUNTY SCHOOLS

Janice West

West Johnston High School
Biogen Foundation Fellowship
Mentors: Tracey Ahrens, Biogen
Sponsor: Biogen Foundation

LEE COUNTY SCHOOLS

Paola De Avila

Southern Lee High School
From Dreams to Action with LatinxEd
Mentors: Mirella Cisneros Perez
and Carol Bono, LatinxEd
Sponsor: Burroughs Wellcome
Fund



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MARTIN COUNTY SCHOOLS

William Prettyman

Innovation Campus
STEPS4GROWTH Clean Energy Fellowship: Clean Energy Vehicles

Mentor: Tabitha Miller, Martin Community College
Sponsor: NCBCE

MCDOWELL COUNTY SCHOOLS

Tammy Dayton

Nebo Elementary School
Dogwood Health Trust Fellowship

Mentors: Michelle Morris and Naomi Cole, Continental
Sponsor: Dogwood Health Trust

Kendra Hughes

Eastfield Global Magnet School
Dogwood Health Trust Fellowship

Mentors: Sarina Sweeney and Dominique Spruill, Baxter Healthcare
Sponsor: Dogwood Health Trust

Rachel Pedler

McDowell High School
Western NC Meta Fellowship

Mentors: Pam Torlina and Julianne Johnson, Conserving Carolina
Sponsor: Meta

Jennifer Wilson

West McDowell Middle School
Western NC Meta Fellowship

Mentors: Pam Torlina and Julianne Johnson, Conserving Carolina
Sponsor: Meta

ONslow COUNTY SCHOOLS

Savannah Brown

Hunters Creek Middle School
STEPS4GROWTH Clean Energy Fellowship: Renewable Energy

Mentor: TBD
Sponsor: NCBCE

PENDER COUNTY SCHOOLS

Matthew Yaeger

Topsail High School
STEPS4GROWTH Clean Energy Fellowship: Renewable Energy

Mentor: TBD
Sponsor: NCBCE

PITT COUNTY SCHOOLS

Elizabeth Driver

Pactolus Global School
Northeastern NC Computational Thinking/Computer Science Fellowship

Mentor: Michelle Smith, FRC East
Sponsor: NC DPI

DaChelle Gupton

Wellcome Middle School
Northeastern NC Computational Thinking/Computer Science Fellowship

Mentors: Batt Masterson and David Catt, Hitachi Astemo
Sponsor: NC DPI

Ashley Jones

Grifton School
Northeastern NC Computational Thinking/Computer Science Fellowship

Mentor: Michelle Smith, FRC East

Sponsor: NC DPI

Anthony Wade

Ayden Middle School
STEPS4GROWTH Clean Energy Fellowship: Clean Energy Vehicles

Mentor: TBD
Sponsor: NCBCE

POLK COUNTY SCHOOLS

Eric Eaton

Polk County Middle School
Protecting Natural Spaces with SAWS

Mentor: Leandra Taylor, SAWS
Sponsor: Burroughs Wellcome Fund

ROBENSON COUNTY SCHOOLS

Phyllis King

Lumberton Junior High School
Whole Community Health Fellows

Mentor: Jeanne Bonds, UNC Chapel Hill
Sponsor: Whole Community Health

ROWAN-SALISBURY SCHOOLS

Angela Ramey

China Grove Middle School
Igniting Futures in Tech with SparkNC

Mentors: Patricia Hilliard and Joe Ableidinger, SparkNC
Sponsor: SparkNC

WAKE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Edwin Davis

Broughton High School
Cells and More Cells

Mentor: Amy Maddox, UNC-Chapel Hill
Sponsor: UNC-Chapel Hill

Kimberly MacDonald

Wake STEM Early College
Igniting Futures in Tech with SparkNC

Mentors: Patricia Hilliard and Joe Ableidinger, SparkNC
Sponsor: SparkNC

WINSTON-SALEM/FORSYTH

Trey Nichols

Vienna Elementary School
STEPS4GROWTH Clean Energy Fellowship: Energy Efficiency

Mentors: TBD
Sponsor: NCBCE

CHARTER SCHOOLS

April Clinard

North Carolina Cyber Academy (Durham Charter)
Biogen Foundation Fellowship

Mentors: Tracy Ahrens, Biogen and Latrinda Riley, Trial Card
Sponsor: Biogen Foundation

Heather Graham

Pine Springs Preparatory (Wake Charter)
Biogen Foundation Fellowship

Mentors: Tracy Ahrens, Biogen and Arlen Peters, Novozymes
Sponsor: Biogen Foundation