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To: Agency Heads, Agency HR Directors, Governor's Awards Coordinators
From: Staci Meyer, Director
Date: March 9, 2026
Re: Governor's Awards for Excellence 2026 Call for Nominations

I am pleased to announce that the 2026 Governor's Awards for Excellence nomination period will open Monday, March 16 and close Tuesday, April 28 at 5 p.m. The Governor's Award for Excellence is the highest honor a state employee may receive for dedicated service to the State of North Carolina and its citizens. These awards recognize exemplary state employees whose service and contributions go beyond the call of duty and make a positive difference in the lives of their fellow North Carolinians.

We are grateful that the State Employees' Credit Union (SECU) has pledged its continued support for the Governor's Awards for Excellence. Funding from the SECU Foundation allows us to publicly recognize our honorees in a meaningful way with a ceremony and reception for the award recipients, their families, friends and coworkers. Although it is certainly important to show appreciation to all employees, it is especially essential to recognize those individuals who lead by example and go the extra mile.

Information about the awards and the nomination form are available at excellenceawards.nc.gov. I know you will work closely with your [Governor's Awards for Excellence coordinator](#) to encourage your employees to nominate their colleagues for this high honor. We look forward to a plethora of impressive and inspiring nominations.

Thank you for all that you do to serve the citizens of North Carolina!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Staci Meyer".

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