



North Carolina Department of Public Instruction  
2024 Green Ribbon District Timeline

## Background on ED-Green Ribbon Schools State Implementation

U.S. Department of Education Green Ribbon Schools (ED-GRS) recognition award is designed to be a tool to encourage new collaborations among state education agencies and various inter-agency and inter-sector partners. The U.S. Department of Education (ED) publishes criteria, a sample application which states may adapt and other resources for implementation. In addition, ED holds a call at least quarterly for state implementers of the award to share experiences and pose questions of ED.

### ED-GRS NCDPI Annual Timeline:

Fall 2023	School and / or Districts who wish to participate prepare their application submittal.
<b>January 18, 2024</b>	<b>*Deadline for the receipt of school and district applications by NCDPI.</b>
January 25, 2024	NCDPI notifies nominees who will be submitted to US-ED Green Ribbon Schools.
<b>February 9, 2024</b>	<b>Deadline for NCDPI submittal of nominees to US-ED Green Ribbon Schools.</b>
April 22, 2024	ED announces national honorees (Earth Day - Date Tentative)
Summer, 2024	ED hosts awards ceremony (Date and Location TBD)

**\*Submittal shall be online by 11:59 p.m. EST via email to: [jon.long@dpi.nc.gov](mailto:jon.long@dpi.nc.gov)**