



September 17, 2026

Cabarrus County Commissioners
Cabarrus County Governmental Center
65 Church Street S
Concord, NC 28025

Dear County Commissioners,

When local businesses talk about their greatest challenges, access to a skilled workforce is almost always near the top of the list. Rowan-Cabarrus Community College plays an indispensable role in meeting that need by preparing students for careers and helping employers find qualified workers.

For that reason, the Cabarrus Regional Chamber of Commerce supports the \$60 million general obligation bond for Rowan-Cabarrus Community College. If approved by voters on November 3, the bond would fund a new 70,000-square-foot Workforce Innovations Complex and additional renovations at the college's South Campus.

These projects would expand the college's ability to provide career-focused education and training that responds directly to the needs of local employers. They would also give more residents an affordable path to good jobs close to home. When students can build successful careers here, businesses gain talented employees and our entire community benefits.

The Chamber's mission includes supporting local businesses and the employees who make their success possible. Investing in Rowan-Cabarrus Community College is an investment in both. It would help businesses remain competitive while creating greater opportunities for current and future members of our workforce.

The Chamber also supports the Cabarrus County Schools and Kannapolis City Schools bond and the City of Kannapolis parks bond. Each addresses a different need, but all three would contribute to a stronger economy and a community where businesses and families can thrive.

The Cabarrus Regional Chamber of Commerce supports the 2026 Rowan-Cabarrus Community College bond and encourages Cabarrus County voters to vote "Yes" on November 3.

Additional information is available at www.rccc.edu/cabarrusbond.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Alison Paladino', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Alison Paladino
President & CEO

On behalf of the Cabarrus Regional Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors