

**Donna Daughtry**  
**Program Manager**  
**Human Services**

Donna Daughtry began working as a public health nurse in Wake County in September 1988. At that time, the public health department was housed in a small building on New Bern Avenue. Her first role was providing health care to young families through the child health clinic, home visits to new mothers, and in 3 schools in central Raleigh.

In 1992 Donna became a supervisor of a small team of school nurses providing care to medically fragile children within the school setting. She also shared her expertise with all the teams of school nurses by developing teaching modules and written policy and procedures.

In 2012 Donna became the Program Manager for School Health. She met the challenge of a fast-growing student population by creating a new way of doing business. The tremendous success of her Acuity Business model was written up in an article that was published in the June issue of the national Journal of School Nursing. Other counties are already planning to replicate this model in their school systems.

Donna manages 110 school health staff serving the largest school system in North Carolina with 160,000 students in 180 schools. These numbers can only tell part of the story. Donna's impact on the lives of children and families in Wake County simply can't be measured and she will be missed.

Donna will retire on August 1 with over 31 years of service to Wake County.

Please join me in congratulating Donna on her retirement.