Early Settlement of Mecklenburg County (1740s-1770s)

This trunk highlights four themes integral to the settling of Mecklenburg County: (1) Geography & Settlement of the Piedmont (2) Catawba Indians (3) The Great Wagon Road (4) Early Settlement of Charlotte. Recommended for 4th and 5th grade classrooms, the trunk includes an extensive resources notebook, complete with lesson plans, classroom activities, and additional supplementary materials.

**Trunk Inventory**
- Resources Notebook
- Dry Erase Marker
- Expo Eraser
- River Cane Flute
- Gourd Water Jug
- Gourd Music Rattle
- Native American Music CD
- Pouch of Animal Furs
- Catawba Language Flashcards (3 sets)
- Catawba Indian Nation Book
- Native American Masks (2)
- Early Settler Masks (2)
- Conestoga Wagon Model
- Conestoga Wagon Book
- Great Wagon Road Map
- Color Me Charlotte Book
- Historic Mecklenburg County Maps (2)
- New York Life’s “Young Hickory” DVD

**NC Essential Standards Met**

*4th Grade*

4.H.1.1—Summarize the change in cultures, everyday life and status of indigenous American Indian groups in North Carolina before and after European exploration.

4.H.1.3—Explain how people, events and developments brought about changes to communities in various regions of North Carolina.

4.H.2.1—Explain why important buildings, statues, monuments and place names are associated with the state's history.

4.G.1.2—Explain the impact that human activity has on the availability of natural resources in North Carolina.

4.C.1.1—Explain how the settlement of people from various cultures affected the development of regions in North Carolina (languages, foods and traditions).

*5th Grade*

5.H.1.1—Evaluate the relationships between European explorers (French, Spanish and English) and American Indian groups, based on accuracy of historical information (beliefs, fears and leadership).

5.G.1.2—Explain the positive and negative effects of human activity on the physical environment of the United States, past and present.

5.C.1.3—Explain how the movement of goods, ideas and various cultural groups influenced the development of regions in the United States.
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