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Mullins High School, Mullins, South Carolina
Greenwood High School, Greenwood, South Carolina
Forest Hills High School, Marshville, North Carolina
East Union Middle School, Monroe, North Carolina
Franklinton High School, Franklinton, North Carolina
Northeastern High School, Elizabeth City, North Carolina
Northern High School, Durham, North Carolina
Western Guilford High School, Greensboro, North Carolina
East Duplin High School, Beulaville, North Carolina
Dunn High School, Dunn, North Carolina
Richmond Senior High School, Rockingham, North Carolina
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