

LIVING IN ANGIER, NORTH CAROLINA

Angier is a fast growing town in Harnett County, about twenty miles south of Raleigh. The town of Angier is officially part of the Greater Fayetteville Metropolitan Statistical Area. However, because Angier and Wake County are adjacent, the town has grown from this proximity. Many people in Wake County consider Angier a satellite of the Research Triangle Metro.

Just two decades back, Angier was a sleepy little southern town. The spillover of the explosive growth of the Research Triangle Park in the Raleigh-Durham area led to many newcomers reaching out for new homes. Developers and builders added new home developments to the already quaint town.

Today, Angier is a friendly place, holding to its small town ambience, with a lively addition of new residents.

ANGIER DEMOGRAPHICS

People considering moving to Angier, North Carolina should consider the community demographics:

Population:	4,350	1,742,816	Metro Area
Household Income:	\$37,879	\$51,660	US Average
Cost of Living Index:	90	100	US Average
Median Home Price:	\$131,570	\$183,450	US Median
Property Tax Rate	\$7.85	\$11.20	US Average per \$1,000 of Home Value
Crime Rate	9	4	US Average 1-10, Best to Worst

So here you are. You have made your choice to move to North Carolina, specifically to the Greater Research Triangle area. Good choice! Many people have decided that living here will provide the very best lifestyle available, including buying a home in Angier, landing the best employment and even finding the best schools and/or or higher education. Thousands of people

have made the decision to relocate to the Research Triangle, just like you. A newcomer will find why the Greater Research Triangle has ranked as one of the best regions in North Carolina to live or work, to buy the best real estate, to start a business, to raise a family, or even to retire.

THINGS TO SEE AND DO IN ANGIER

Exploring life in Angier is a good decision, and here are fun things to know:

***Crepe Myrtle Festival** - Angier is known as the "Town of Crepe Myrtles". 20,000 people join Angier as it celebrates with the Crepe Myrtle Festival each September.

***Bike Fest** - Each summer Angier draws a crowd of motorcyclists and bike enthusiasts from across the region to downtown Angier to enjoy the sights, sounds and tastes of its annual Bike Fest event. The family-friendly event features live music, a bike show, a poker-run fund-raiser, exhibits and fun for people of all ages.

***Gourd Museum** - is located in the Angier Municipal Building. Marvin and Mary Johnson on their homestead, just off of NC Hwy 55 between Fuquay-Varina and Angier, established the Museum in 1964. Marvin was the long-time president of the North Carolina Gourd Society, See gourd crafts from all around the world. There are tiny miniatures gourds like robin's eggs, dippers taller than a tall man and giant African mammoth gourds so strong Marvin had his picture taken standing on one. Even lights are made from gourds. Open 5 days a week. Admission is free.

ANGIER'S GOOD LIFE

It is almost routine for Angier to be praised as a wonderful place to live. Residents' testimonials, articles and various organizations bestow glowing reviews and accolades about living here. With these superlatives publicized for so long, the Research Triangle area's fame as a great place to live has been a magnet attracting people, like you, to explore and to relocate here.

This sense of the Angier good life is expressed on the website of the Angier Chamber of Commerce:

"Angier, the Town of Crepe Myrtles, is a town of quietness, security and tremendous opportunity for its residents. Despite the substantial growth in this area, Angier is still the kind of town where you know your neighbors."

ANGIER'S NEIGHBORS

Angier is one of 32 sister communities in the Greater Research Triangle region:

Angier
Apex
Benson
Butner
Carrboro
Cary
Chapel Hill
Clayton
Creedmoor
Durham
Franklinton
Fuquay-Varina
Garner
Henderson
Hillsborough
Holly Springs
Knightdale
Louisburg
Mebane
Morrisville
Oxford
Pittsboro
Raleigh
Rolesville
Roxboro

Selma
Siler City
Smithfield
Wake Forest
Wendell
Youngsville
Zebulon

WHY MOVE TO ANGIER?

Angier and her neighboring communities share several common benefits. The first great reason to live in the Greater Research Triangle is a wonderful climate. Spring and summer are filled with a bouquet of blossoms that flood the visual and olfactory senses. Parks and beautiful homes treat citizens and visitors alike with colors as if from the palette of a great landscape painter. The fall blazes with glorious colors so awesome that it almost takes your breath away. The winters are mild, and every now and then, the students get a day off for a light snow. It rarely gets below freezing. How could anyone not like the weather and climate in Angier, North Carolina?

The second reason to live in Angier is that it is a great place to buy a home. Angier real estate is affordable. Newcomers can choose between well-established homes for sale or new homes in outstanding new home communities. You can choose a lot and build a custom home. Simply select a homebuilder from the many in Greater Research Triangle. A qualified REALTOR®, real estate agent, mortgage broker or loan officer can assist in the home purchase process and can guide you through the process of finding and buying real estate in Angier.

Schools are another reason Greater Research Triangle is a wonderful place to live. Oh yeah - families especially love the schools in Angier. In fact, some of the best schools in Greater Research Triangle are found in Angier. Angier is serviced by Harnett County Schools, frequently cited for several outstanding programs. Angier schools are considered safe places for students.

EDUCATION IN ANGIER

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

To better help you select the best schools in Angier, North Carolina, read what Phil Ferrell, Superintendent of the Harnett County Schools, says on the official website:

"Our efforts are focused on readying ourselves and our facilities in order to provide the best possible educational opportunities for the children in our school system. Harnett County Schools provides multiple opportunities for all students to be successful in developing and using 21st century skills for learning. Whether your child excels in academics, athletics, cultural arts, or other programs, we provide a safe and diverse environment for growth. With a population of more than 19,000 students, our district boasts a strong connection with our military, local businesses, Campbell University, Central Carolina Community College, Fayetteville Technical Community College and community volunteers. Our instructional staff includes Highly Qualified educators, Nationally Board Certified teachers, and Visiting International Faculty.

"We believe in our mission to 'educate students in a safe environment empowering them to focus on life-long learning, responsible citizenship, and global awareness.' Our county is experiencing steady growth and will see even greater growth in our schools as more military families move to our area through the Base Realignment and Closure Commission (BRAC). The school system leadership met this challenge with an aggressive building plan to accommodate the high influx of students. Since 2001, Harnett County Schools has opened three new elementary schools and one new high school. Two elementary schools (Overhills Elementary & Angier Elementary) will be opening their doors for the 2009-2010 school year. Currently, we have an elementary school under construction that will open for the 2010-2011 school year and three addition projects at existing school sites. Long-range construction plans also include another elementary school, middle school, and high school. Updates to existing facilities and the addition of new state of the art schools will provide even better learning environments for our children and quality space for our teachers and staff."

PUBLIC SCHOOLS WITH AN ANGIER ADDRESS

Parents want the best school for their children. Schools in Angier belong to the Harnett County Schools system. The following public schools are available in Angier:

Elementary schools in Angier

Angier Elementary School

McGee's Crossroads Elementary School

North Harnett Primary School

Middle schools in Angier

Harnett Central Middle School

High schools in Angier

Harnett Central High School

CHARTER SCHOOLS IN NORTH CAROLINA

North Carolina charter schools are independent public schools that exist to offer Angier students, parents and educators choices in teaching, learning methods and environments. An emphasis is placed on innovation and accountability with improved student achievement the common goal.

There are now nearly 5,000 public charter schools in 39 states and the District of Columbia, educating more than 1.6 million public charter school students. North Carolina public charter schools are intended to improve North Carolina's traditional public school system.

Any Angier charter school, while independently operated, must meet four requirements, like any other North Carolina public school:

- *Tuition-free and open to every student who wishes to enroll
- *Non-sectarian, and do not discriminate on any basis
- *Publicly funded by local, state and federal tax dollars like other public schools
- *Held accountable to state and federal academic standards

LIST OF CHARTER SCHOOLS IN ANGIER:

There are no Charter Schools with an Angier address.

PRIVATE SCHOOLS WITH AN ANGIER ADDRESS

Private schools, also known as independent schools or non-state schools, are not administered by Angier, North Carolina, or the Federal government; thus, they retain the right to select their students and are funded in whole or in part by charging their students tuition, rather than relying on public funding. Angier students can get a scholarship into a private school, which makes the cost cheaper depending on a talent the student may have, such as a sport scholarship, art scholarship, academic scholarship.

List of Private Schools in Angier:

Lighthouse Christian Academy, K-12

COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES IN AND NEAR ANGIER

Higher education in the Research Triangle is another great reason to live in Angier. The local colleges and universities contribute more than just classrooms, by also bringing the best in sports and cultural offerings to the Greater Research Triangle communities at large. If your life calls for upper level learning, choose from the following official list of universities, colleges and community colleges:

Duke University

Durham Technical Community College

Johnston Community College

Louisburg College

Meredith College

North Carolina Central University

North Carolina State University

Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary

St. Augustine's College

Shaw University

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Vance-Granville Community College

Wake Technical Community College

William Peace University

COMPLETE EDUCATION DIRECTORY: PUBLIC & PRIVATE SCHOOLS

New Movers Magazine provides a full listing of the schools in the Greater Research Triangle region: all public schools, most private schools and all institutions of higher learning. You can review each school's website, enrollment figures and phone numbers. But that's not all. You can save a ton of time because we have already done the digging for you. Those hard to find **school test scores** and **safety data** are at your fingertips for each public school. The facts are the most current available. It's now fast and easy to compare schools and even school systems.

Need to find the right school and then the right home in that school's district? In an Internet first, *New Movers Magazine* can help you find homes for sale in the attendance zone of *any* Angier public school, or even private schools by desired distance from your potential new Angier home. Just click any Home Search Button. It's free, with no obligation. Your name and information is private and secure.

So, whether you are researching the Greater Research Triangle region and getting a feel for living here, or if you are learning about your education options, or if you have definitely decided to purchase a home in Angier, even if only from across town- congratulations, and...

Welcome
to Angier, North Carolina