

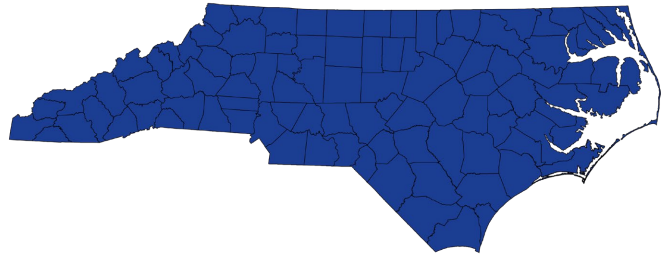
North Carolina Charter Schools

Charter School Profiles

myFutureNC 2025 Attainment Profiles

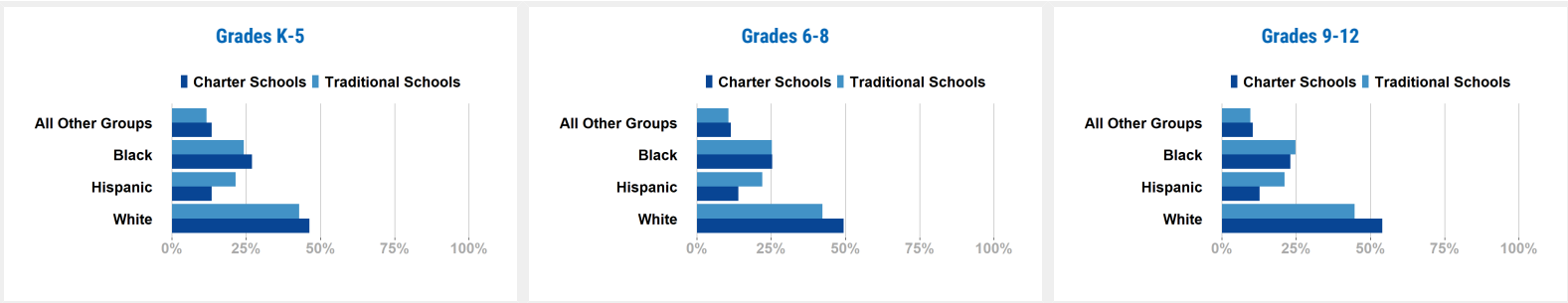
Charter schools are public schools that must be authorized by the NC State Board of Education to operate. Like traditional public schools, charter schools are primarily funded through state and local tax dollars and are prohibited from discriminating in admissions, having religious affiliations, or charging tuition. *Charter schools are held accountable through the State assessment and accountability system.¹ Because charter schools have open enrollment and often serve students from multiple counties, charter school profiles are aggregated up to the Prosperity-Zone level. In North Carolina there are 210 charter schools and 115 traditional public school districts operating 2,483 schools.

¹Charter Schools. 2023. NC Dept of Public Instruction.



	Total Schools	Total Students	Total High Schools	Total High School Students	Economically Disadvantaged Students
Charter Schools	210	142,804	91	28,113	41.0%
Traditional Schools	2,483	1,364,278	649	434,569	51.1%

Race/Ethnic Composition of Grades K-12 in North Carolina Charter Schools, 2022-23



Note: Any data item including <10 students, or any observation <5%, or >95% is not reported. ** Indicates, no data available.

POSTSECONDARY COMPLETION

86.3% of students who enroll **persist to their second year**. 2023

70.5% of students who enroll **earn a degree or certificate** within 6 years. 2023

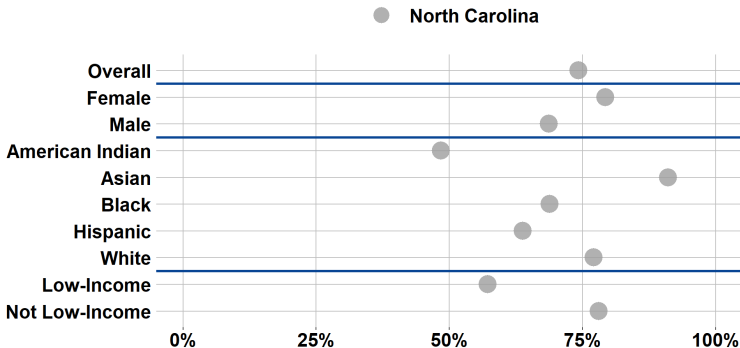
COLLEGE & CAREER ACCESS

How students in North Carolina Charter Schools are planning for and enrolling in college:

58.8% of 2024 high school class **completed the FAFSA** as of Sept. 27, 2024. 1,183 more need to complete in 2024 to meet state goal of **80%**.

72.5% of graduates **enrolled in a postsecondary institution** within 12 months. 2023

Postsecondary Enrollment Rates (within 12 months) for Select Groups in North Carolina Charter Schools, 2023



Note: Outcomes for groups with less than 10 students, <5% or >95% are not displayed.

ACADEMIC READINESS

North Carolina Charter School students:

36.6% of 3-8 graders **earned college-and-career-ready scores in reading** in 2024. 26,901 more needed to meet state goal of **73%**.

38.5% of 3-8 graders **earned college-and-career-ready scores in math** in 2024. 35,078 more needed to meet state goal of **86%**.

19.3% of students were **chronically absent from school** in 2024. 12,587 fewer needed to meet state goal of **11%**.



1.0% of students **drop out of high school** (80 total students). 2023

Pathways to College and Career

Students in traditional public schools completed **420 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials and 379 concentrations**. **118 (28.1%) of credentials were industry-valued** in 2023. The top three CTE concentrations: Arts, Audio/Video Technology, & Communications; Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics; and Architecture and Construction.



5,471 (21.3%) high school students took at least one **AP, IB, or CIE exam**. (2023).



2,308 (42.7%) high school graduates participated in **Career & College Promise programs**. (2024).