Alamance County

### 2030 NC Degree Attainment Goal: 2 million (67%)
### 2030 Proposed Alamance County Attainment Goal: 25,925 (54%)

**Population Spotlight**
- **2010 Census:** 151,131
- **2020 Census:** 171,415
- Change: 20,284

**Growth Rate**
- **13.4%** vs. **9.5%**

**Income**
- **$53,220** Median Household Income (2020)
- **65.2%** Child Poverty Rate (2020)
- **66.7%** Home Owners (2020)
- **77.3%** Voter Registration Rate (2021)

**Unemployment Rate:** **4.8%**

**Greensboro Prosperity Zone Sub-Region**
- **Peer County Type:** Suburban
- **Local Education Agencies:** 1
- **Charter Schools:** 5

### Educational Attainment
**Alamance County residents ages 25-44, 2020**

- **No Degree:** 53.8%
- **Have Degree or Credential:** 46.2%

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**Note:** Numbers may add to more than 100% due to rounding

### Top Opportunities for Growth
- **Math Performance:** 25% of Alamance County 3-8 graders earn college-and-career-ready scores in Math, below the suburban county average of 34%.
- **Chronic Absenteeism:** 34% of Alamance County students are chronically absent from school, above the suburban county average of 26%.
- **Reading Performance:** 22% of Alamance County 3-8 graders earn college-and-career-ready scores in Reading, below the suburban county average of 30%.

### Impact of Covid-19 on Education Pipeline
- **K-12 Enrollment (district schools):** -4.1% 2021-22 vs. 2019-20
- **Postsecondary Enrollment:** -12.2% 2021 vs. 2020
- **FAFSA Completion:** -2.4% 2021-22 vs. 2018-19
- **Postsecondary Intentions:** -15.7% 2020-21 vs. 2018-19

### Data Disruptions
- College-and-Career-Ready in Reading
- College-and-Career-Ready in Math
- Chronic Absenteeism

### How students in Alamance County traditional schools are currently doing:
- To meet state goals, each year Alamance County needs:
  - 302 more eligible 4-year-olds enrolled in NC Pre-K program (goal: 75% vs. 46%). 2022
  - 5,281 more 3-8 graders earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in reading (goal: 73% vs. 22%). 2022
  - 6,342 more 3-8 graders earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in math (goal: 86% vs. 25%). 2022
  - 141 more 9th graders to graduate within four years (goal: 95% vs. 87%). 2021
  - 4,914 more students to attend school regularly (goal: 11% chronic absenteeism vs. 34%). 2021

Alamance County has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 365:1 versus 336:1 in peer counties. 2021

### School Choice
- 28,675 total students were enrolled in K-12 in Alamance County in the 2021-22 school year.

**Note:** This profile focuses on outcomes of students enrolled in district schools.

### Career and College Preparation
- 951 high school students took at least one AP course (15%) versus 15% in peer counties (2021).
- 618 graduates participated in Career & College Promise programs (38%) versus 33% in peer counties (2021).

Students in Alamance County completed 1,063 Career & Technical Education concentrations in 2021. The top three CTE concentrations completed include Arts, Audio/Video Technology, & Communications; Human Services; and Health Science.

### Postsecondary Enrollment Rates for Select Groups in Alamance County, 2021

**Note:** Outcomes for demographic groups with fewer than 10 students are not displayed.

### COLLEGE & CAREER ACCESS
- 56% of seniors completed the FAFSA in 2022. (357 more need to complete in 2022 to meet state goal of 80%).
  - [https://www.myfuturenc.org/ourwork/first-in-fafsa/](https://www.myfuturenc.org/ourwork/first-in-fafsa/)
- 63% of graduates reported intentions to enroll in a postsecondary institution versus 75% in peer counties. 2021
- 48% of graduates enrolled in a postsecondary institution within 12 months versus 55% in peer counties. 2021

61% of Alamance County students have parents with no college degree (either 2- or 4-year) versus 49% in peer counties.
### Success of Alamance County High School Graduates

**Top destinations of graduates, 2016-2020**
- 41% of college-goers attended a public 4-year college
- 13% of college-goers attended a private 4-year college
- 46% of college-goers attended a public 2-year college
- <5% of college-goers attended a private 2-year college
- 93% of college-goers attended an in-state college

- 74% of students who enroll persist to their second year versus 77% in peer counties. 2021
- 58% of students who enroll earn a degree or credential within 6 years versus 60% in peer counties. 2021

### Adult Learners

**Alamance County resident enrollments in NC Community Colleges, 2021**
- **587** Basic Skills
- **2,329** Continuing Education
- **3,468** Curriculum

15% of Alamance County residents have student loan debt; 10% of debt holders had student loans in default. 2020

### In your Prosperity Zone Sub-Region:

- **85.2%** of postsecondary degrees and credentials conferred by regional institutions are aligned with labor market needs.

- **891** Individuals served in an ApprenticeshipNC program in 2020

### UNC and NC Community College Outcomes:

- **8,468** graduates in 2020
- 73% of 2016 graduates were employed in NC in 2021
- **$41,353** annual average earnings of graduates employed in NC (includes both part-time and full-time jobs)

### In 2021 your Workforce Development Board served:

- **10,802** in Basic Services
- **5,263** in Career Services
- **467** in Education Services

10.1% of young adults ages 16-24 in Alamance County were not working and not in school versus 11.2% in peer counties. 2019

### Promising Attainment Practices

The new Promising Attainment Practices Database is a curated, searchable, and filterable collection of about 250 county, region, and state-level initiatives and programs that directly address various components of the state’s attainment challenge. The Database allows local and regional initiative leaders and other stakeholders to identify groups across the state who are developing or operating initiatives designed to boost attainment.

Follow link to discover how Alamance County has been meeting local needs: https://dashboard.myfuturenc.org/promising-attainment-practices/?wdt_search=Alamance

For more information about each indicator, including data sources and methodology, visit: dashboard.myfuturenc.org/county-data-and-resources/