Alamance County

myFutureNC 2024 Attainment Profiles

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Educational Attainment
Alamance County residents ages 25-44, 2022

No Degree
21,958 (52.3%)

Have Degree or Credential
20,008 (47.7%)

Top Opportunities for Growth
These three areas represent the biggest opportunities for Alamance County to improve future attainment outcomes.

Chronic Absenteeism
41% of Alamance County students are chronically absent from school, above the suburban county average of 30%.

Math Performance
27% of Alamance County 3-8 graders earn college-and-career-ready scores in Math, below the suburban county average of 36%.

Reading Performance
24% of Alamance County 3-8 graders earn college-and-career-ready scores in Reading, below the suburban county average of 31%.

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

In Greensboro Prosperity Zone Sub-Region:
83.7% of postsecondary degrees and credentials conferred by regional institutions are aligned with labor market needs.

Top areas of misalignment:
- Health Science below bachelor’s
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UNC System College Enrollment Curriculums
- 2015: 3,100
- 2016: 3,000
- 2017: 2,900
- 2018: 2,800
- 2019: 2,700
- 2020: 2,600
- 2021: 2,500
- 2022: 2,400

NC Community College Enrollment Curriculums
- 2018: 4,000
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- 2022: 3,200

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Adult Learners
Alamance County resident enrollments in NC Community Colleges, Fall 2022
- 489 Basic Skills
- 5,086 Continuing Education
- 3,642 Curriculum

14% of Alamance County residents have student loan debt; 8% of debt holders had student loans in default. 2022

Success of Alamance County High School Graduates
- 80% of students who enroll persist to their second year versus 82% in peer counties. 2022
- 57% of students who enroll earn a degree or certificate within 6 years versus 60% in peer counties. 2022

Top destinations of all college-goers, Fall 2023
- 5,166 of all college-goers attended Alamance CC
- 385 of all college-goers attended Guilford TCC
- 319 of all college-goers attended Durham TCC

Postsecondary assets in Greensboro Prosperity Zone sub-region
- Public, 4-year or above North Carolina A & T State University, University of North Carolina at Greensboro
- Public, 2-year Alamance Community College, Guilford Technical Community College, Randolph Community College, Rockingham Community College
- Private not-for-profit, 4-year or above Bennett College, Elon University, Greensboro College, Guilford College, High Point University
- Private not-for-profit, 2-year

61% of seniors completed the FAFSA in 2023, compared to 62% statewide; 271 more need to complete in 2023 to meet state goal of 80%. 2023

68% of graduates reported intentions to enroll in a postsecondary institution versus 73% in peer counties. 2022

50% of graduates enrolled in a postsecondary institution within 12 months versus 57% in peer counties. 2022

52% of Alamance County students have parents with no college degree (either 2- or 4-year) versus 48% in peer counties.

How students in Alamance County traditional schools are doing:
- 47% of eligible 4-year-olds enrolled in NC Pre-K program, compared to 53% statewide; 280 more needed to meet state goal of 75%. 2023
- 24% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in reading, compared to 30% statewide; 6,279 more needed to meet state goal of 73%. 2023
- 27% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in math, compared to 35% statewide; 6,001 more needed to meet state goal of 86%. 2023
- 85% of 9th graders graduate within four years, compared to 87% statewide; 179 more needed to meet state goal of 95%. 2023
- 41% of students are chronically absent from school, compared to 32% statewide; 7,003 less needed to meet state goal of 11%. 2022

Alamance County has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 392:1 versus 327:1 in peer counties. 2022

3% of students drop out of high school (233 total students), compared to 2% statewide. 2022

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