Cabarrus County

myFutureNC 2024 Attainment Profiles

2030 Proposed Cabarrus County Attainment Goal: 49,862 (Stretch Goal: 50,188)

Population Spotlight
2020 Census: 225,807
2022 Estimate: 235,797
Change: 9,990

Growth Rate
4.4% County
2.5% State

Less than high school 7%
High school graduate (including GED) 24%
Some college, no credential 10%
Short-term credential 8%
Associate degree 10%
Bachelor's degree 28%
Graduate or professional degree 13%

Educational Attainment
Cabarrus County residents ages 25-44, 2022

No Degree 25,126
41.2%

Have Degree or Credential 35,925
58.8%

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

School Counselors
Cabarrus County has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 377:1, above the suburban county average of 327:1.

NC Pre-K Enrollment
47% of Cabarrus County eligible 4-year-olds are enrolled in NC Pre-K, below the state average of 53%.

First-Year Persistence
81% of Cabarrus County high school graduates who enroll in postsecondary persist to their second year, below the state average of 83%.

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 Cabarrus County has been meeting local needs:
https://dashboard.myfuturenc.org/promising-attainment-practices/?wdt_search=Cabarrus

In Charlotte Prosperity Zone Sub-Region:

80.4%
of postsecondary degrees and credentials conferred by regional institutions are aligned with labor market needs.

4,230 Individuals served in an ApprenticeshipNC program in 2020

UNC and NC Community College Outcomes:
12,495 graduates in 2020
74% of 2016 graduates were employed in NC in 2021
$45,387 annual average earnings of graduates employed in NC (includes both part-time and full-time jobs)

60% of adults (ages 25-44) in Cabarrus County earned a family sustaining wage, 2022

Cabarrus County is served by:
Centralina Workforce Development Board
Centralina Regional Council

2030 State Attainment Goal: 2 million

Top 3 Five-Star Jobs in Charlotte Prosperity Zone Sub-Region

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Top 3 Employers in Cabarrus County

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First-time Curriculum Enrollments

Basic Skills

Continuing Education

Labor Market Alignment

Cabarrus County

Peer County Type: Suburban
Local Education Agencies: 2 (2023)
Charter Schools: 4 (2023)
### Adult Learners
**Charlotte Sub-Prosperity Zone post-secondary enrollments in NC Community Colleges, Fall 2022**
- Basic Skills: 2,910
- Continuing Education: 29,351
- Curriculum: 8,357

16% of Cabarrus County residents have student loan debt. 7% of debt holders had student loans in default.

### Success of Cabarrus County High School Graduates
- 81% of students who enroll persist to their second year versus 82% in peer counties.
- 62% of students who enroll earn a degree or certificate within 6 years versus 60% in peer counties.

### Top destinations of all college-goers, Fall 2023
- 5,360 of all college-goers attended Rowan-Cabarrus CC
- 1,252 of all college-goers attended Central Piedmont CC
- 302 of all college-goers attended Stanly CC

### How students in Cabarrus County traditional schools are doing:
- 63% of seniors completed the FAFSA in 2023, compared to 62% statewide; 479 more need to complete in 2023 to meet state goal of 80%.
- 74% of graduates reported intentions to enroll in a postsecondary institution versus 73% in peer counties.
- 57% of graduates enrolled in a postsecondary institution within 12 months versus 57% in peer counties.
- 37% of Cabarrus County students have parents with no college degree (either 2- or 4-year) versus 48% in peer counties.

### Degree Credentials Awarded, 2022
- 6,906 certificate
- 6,066 associate
- 9,125 bachelor’s

### Postsecondary assets in Charlotte Prosperity Zone sub-region
- Public, 4-year or above: Carolinas College of Health Sciences, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
- Public, 2-year: Central Piedmont Community College, Cleveland Community College, Gaston College, Mitchell Community College, Rowan-Cabarrus Community College, South Piedmont Community College, Stanly Community College
- Private not-for-profit, 4-year or above: Belmont Abbey College, Cabarrus College of Health Sciences, Catawba College, Charlotte Christian College and Theological Seminary, Davidson College, Gardner-Webb University, Johnson & Wales University-Charlotte, Johnson C Smith University, Livingstone College, Pfeiffer University, Queens University of Charlotte, Wingate University
- Private not-for-profit, 2-year: Stanly CC

### Access to Postsecondary Credits
Students in Cabarrus County completed 5,518 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials (1,815 (33%) were industry-valued credentials) and 2,059 associate degrees (1,913 (92%) were industry-valued degrees) in 2022.

### Postsecondary Enrollment Rates for Select Groups in Cabarrus County, 2022
- Overall: 59%
- Female: 61%
- Male: 55%
- American Indian: 57%
- Asian: 58%
- Black: 52%
- Hispanic: 56%
- White: 54%
- Low-Income: 66%
- Not Low-Income: 47%

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

### School Choice
49,047 total students were enrolled in K-12 in Cabarrus County in the 2022-23 school year.

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

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

Cabarrus County Schools | 2022-2023
This profile is a supplement to the County Profiles

Total Schools: 44  Total Students: 34,640

ACADEMIC READINESS

How students in Cabarrus County Schools are currently doing:

• 38% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in reading, compared to 30% statewide; 5,600 more needed to meet state goal of 73%, 2023

• 45% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in math, compared to 35% statewide; 6,608 more needed to meet state goal of 86%, 2023

• 89% of 9th graders graduate within four years, compared to 87% statewide; 173 more needed to meet state goal of 95%, 2023

• 21% of students are chronically absent from school, compared to 27% statewide; 3,690 less needed to meet state goal of 11%, 2023

Cabarrus County Schools has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 369:1, 2023

Access to Postsecondary Credits

Students in Cabarrus County Schools completed 4,715 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials (1,638 (35%) were industry-valued credentials) and 1,861 concentrations in 2023. The top three CTE concentrations completed include Human Services; Health Science; and Architecture and Construction.

1,798 high school students took at least one AP test (16%) (2023).
1,986 high school students participated in Career & College Promise programs (76%) (2023).

COLLEGE & CAREER ACCESS

How students in Cabarrus County Schools are planning for and enrolling in college:

• 64% of seniors completed the FAFSA in 2023, compared to 62% statewide; 407 more need to complete in 2023 to meet state goal of 80%, 2023

• 76% of graduates reported intentions to enroll in a postsecondary institution, 2022

• 59% of graduates enrolled in a postsecondary institution within 12 months, 2022

Postsecondary Enrollment Rates (within 12 months) for Select Groups in Cabarrus County Schools, 2022

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

POSTSECONDARY COMPLETION

Top destinations of all college-goers, Fall 2023

• Rowan-Cabarrus CC
• Central Piedmont CC
• Stanly CC

• 82% of college students persist to their second year of attendance, 2022

Percentage of students enrolled in North Carolina postsecondary institution who graduate within 6 years of enrollment, 2022

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** Observations <10 or no data available
Total Schools: 8  Total Students: 5,350

**ACADEMIC READINESS**

How students in Kannapolis City Schools are currently doing:

- 17% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in reading, compared to 30% statewide; 1,351 more needed to meet state goal of 73%. 2023
- 20% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in math, compared to 35% statewide; 1,605 more needed to meet state goal of 86%. 2023
- 86% of 9th graders graduate within four years, compared to 87% statewide; 40 more needed to meet state goal of 95%. 2023
- 30% of students are chronically absent from school, compared to 27% statewide; 1,089 less needed to meet state goal of 11%. 2023

Kannapolis City Schools has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 446:1. 2023

Access to Postsecondary Credits

Students in Kannapolis City Schools completed 803 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials (177 (22%) were industry-valued credentials) and 198 concentrations in 2023. The top three CTE concentrations completed include Architecture and Construction; Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics; and Health Science.

- 155 high school students took at least one AP test (9%) (2023).
- 91 high school students participated in Career & College Promise programs (23%) (2023).

**COLLEGE & CAREER ACCESS**

How students in Kannapolis City Schools are planning for and enrolling in college:

- 59% of seniors completed the FAFSA in 2023, compared to 62% statewide; 73 more need to complete in 2023 to meet state goal of 80%. 2023
- 61% of graduates reported intentions to enroll in a postsecondary institution. 2022
- 44% of graduates enrolled in a postsecondary institution within 12 months. 2022

Postsecondary Enrollment Rates (within 12 months) for Select Groups in Kannapolis City Schools, 2022

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**POSTSECONDARY COMPLETION**

Top destinations of all college-goers, Fall 2023

- Rowan-Cabarrus CC
- Central Piedmont CC
- Stanly CC
- 66% of college students persist to their second year of attendance. 2022

Percentage of students enrolled in North Carolina postsecondary institution who graduate within 6 years of enrollment, 2022

Kannapolis City Schools  47%
North Carolina  59%

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