Winston-Salem Prosperity Zone Sub-Region

Peer County Type: Rural - Non-Metro Local Education Agencies: 3 (2023)

2030 State Attainment Goal: 2 million

Charter Schools: 1 (2023)

2030 Proposed Surry County Attainment Goal: 10,855 (Stretch Goal: 10,986)

Population Spotlight

2020 Census: 71.367 2022 Estimate: 71,403 Change: 36

Growth Rate

vs. **2.5%** County State



State: \$67,516

14%

\$49.524 73% Median Household Income (2022)

Home Owners (2022)**State:** 67%

24.0% Child Poverty

Rate (2022) **State:** 17.2%



14.2% Opportunity Youth Rate

(2021)State: 12.1%



66% Households with

Broadband (2022) **State:** 77%

3.4% Unemployment Rate (2022)

State: 3.7%

Educational Attainment

Surry County residents ages 25-44, 2022







Less than high school High school graduate (including GED)

Some college, no credential

Short-term credential

Associate dearee

8%

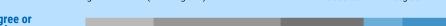
Bachelor's dearee

14%

14%

Graduate or professional degree

7%



26%

Note: Numbers may not add up to 100% due to rounding

17%

Top Opportunities for Growth

These three areas represent the biggest opportunities for Surry County to improve future attainment outcomes.



FAFSA Completion

54% of Surry County high school seniors complete the FAFSA, below the rural - nonmetro county average of 61%.



School Counselors

Surry County has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 383:1, above the rural - nonmetro county average of 325:1.



NC Pre-K Enrollment

66% of Surry County eligible 4-year-olds are enrolled in NC Pre-K, below the rural - nonmetro county average of 68%.

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 Surry County has been meeting local needs:

https://dashboard.myfuturenc.org/promising-attainment-practices/?wdt_search=Surry

In Winston-Salem Prosperity Zone Sub-Region:

82.4%

of postsecondary degrees and credentials conferred by regional institutions are

aligned with labor market needs.

Top areas of misalignment:

Health Science below bachelor's **Transportation, Distribution & Logistics** below bachelor's

Business Management & Administration bachelor's



ABOR MARKET ALIGNMENT

1.224 Individuals served in an ApprenticeshipNC program in 2020

UNC and NC Community College Outcomes:

4.918 graduates in 2020

78% of 2016 graduates were employed in NC in 2021

\$43.544 annual average earnings of graduates employed in NC (includes both part-time and full-time jobs)



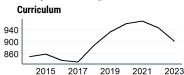
40% of adults (ages 25-44) in Surry County earned a family sustaining wage, 2022

Surry County is served by:

Piedmont Triad Regional Workforce Development Board

Piedmont Triad Regional Council

UNC System College Enrollment



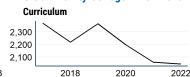
Top 3 Five-Star Jobs in **Winston-Salem Prosperity Zone Sub-Region**

Job Title	Annual Growth
Nurse Practitioners	4%
Logisticians	4%
Data Scientists	4%

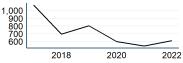
Top 3 Employers in Surry County

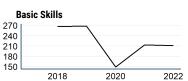
Employer Emplo	yment Range
Pike Electric Inc	1000+
Surry County Schools	1000+
Northern Hospital Of Surry County	500-999

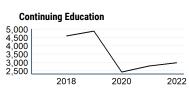
NC Community College Enrollment



First-time Curriculum Enrollments









▲ 4-year public

2-year public

4-year private

Adult Learners

Surry County resident enrollments in NC Community Colleges, Fall 2022

211 Basic Skills

2.981 Continuing Education

2.045 Curriculum



8% of Surry County residents have student loan debt; 9% of debt holders had student loans in default. 2022

Success of Surry County High School Graduates

- 80% of students who enroll persist to their second year versus 78% in peer counties. 2022
- 59% of students who enroll earn a degree or certificate within 6 years versus 55% in peer counties. 2022

Top destinations of all college-goers, Fall 2023

- 3,008 of all college-goers attended Surry CC
- 282 of all college-goers attended Forsyth TCC
- 163 of all college-goers attended Wilkes CC

Degree Credentials Awarded, 2022

2.323 certificate 2,089 associate

2,703 bachelor's

Postsecondary assets in Winston-Salem Prosperity Zone sub-region

Public, 4-year or above

University of North Carolina School of the Arts, Winston-Salem State University

Public, 2-year

Davidson-Davie Community College, Forsyth Technical Community College, Surry Community College

Private not-for-profit, 4-year or above

Carolina Christian College, Carolina University, Salem College, Wake Forest University

Private not-for-profit, 2-year



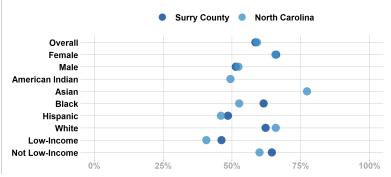
54% of seniors completed the FAFSA in 2023, compared to 62% statewide; 198 more need to complete in 2023 to meet state goal of 80%.

- 74% of graduates reported intentions to enroll in a postsecondary institution versus 68% in peer counties. 2022
- 57% of graduates enrolled in a postsecondary institution within 12 months versus 52% in peer counties. 2022



57% of Surry County students have parents with no college degree (either 2- or 4-year) versus 57% in peer counties.

Postsecondary Enrollment Rates for Select Groups in Surry County, 2022



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

How students in Surry County traditional schools are doing:

- 66% of eligible 4-year-olds enrolled in NC Pre-K program, compared to 53% statewide; 37 more needed to meet state goal of 75%. 2023
- 31% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4) or 5) in reading, compared to 30% statewide; 2,457 more needed to meet state goal of 73%. 2023
- 40% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in math, compared to 35% statewide; 2,058 more needed to meet state goal of 86%. 2023
- 90% 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 32% statewide; 2,039 less needed to meet state goal of 11%. 2022



Surry County has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 383:1 versus 325:1 in peer counties. 2022

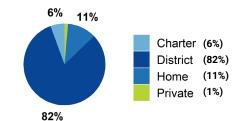


2% of students drop out of high school (67 total students), compared to 2% statewide. 2022

School Choice

12,271 total students were enrolled in K-12 in Surry County in the 2022-23 school year.

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



Access to Postsecondary Credits

Students in Surry County completed 3,914 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials (industry-valued credential data available in Spring 2024) and 691 concentrations in 2022. The top three CTE concentrations completed include Human Services; Health Science; and Arts, Audio/Video Technology, & Communications.

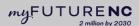


227 high school students took at least one AP course (7%) versus 7% in peer counties (2022).

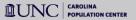


726 high school students participated in Career & College Promise programs (48%) versus 39% in peer counties (2022).

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City/District School Profile

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

Total Schools: 20 Total Students: 7,086



district boundary

ACADEMIC READINESS

How students in Surry County Schools are currently doing:

- 30% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in reading, compared to 30% statewide; 1,361 more needed to meet state goal
- 41% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in math, compared to 35% statewide; 1,434 more needed to meet state goal of
- 90% of 9th graders graduate within four years, compared to 87% statewide; 31 more needed to meet state goal of 95%. 2023
- 36% of students are chronically absent from school, compared to 32% statewide; 1,819 less needed to meet state goal of 11%. 2022



Surry County Schools has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 354:1 versus 325:1 in peer districts. 2022

Access to Postsecondary Credits

Students in Surry County Schools completed 3,217 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials (industry-valued credential data available in Spring 2024) and 446 concentrations in 2022. The top three CTE concentrations completed include Human Services; Health Science; and Arts, Audio/Video Technology, & Communications.



117 high school students took at least one AP course (5%) (2022)



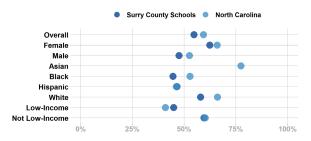
529 high school students participated in Career & College Promise programs (48%) (2022).

COLLEGE & CAREER ACCESS

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

- 51% of seniors completed the FAFSA in 2023, compared to 62% statewide; 165 more need to complete in 2023 to meet state goal of 80%. 2023
- 73% of graduates reported intentions to enroll in a postsecondary institution. 2022
- 53% of graduates enrolled in a postsecondary institution within 12 months. 2022

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



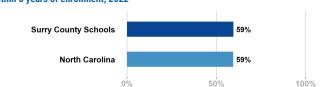
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POSTSECONDARY COMPLETION

Top destinations of all college-goers, Fall 2023

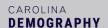
- Surry CC
- · Forsyth TCC
- · Wilkes CC
- 81% of college students persist to their second year of attendance. 2022

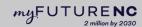
Percentage of students enrolled in North Carolina postsecondary institution who graduate within 6 years of enrollment, 2022



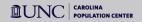
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City/District School Profile

Elkin City Schools | 2022-2023

This profile is a supplement to the County Profiles

Total Schools: 4 Total Students: 1,217



district boundary

ACADEMIC READINESS

How students in Elkin City Schools are currently doing:

- 36% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in **reading**, compared to 30% statewide; 208 more needed to meet state goal of 73%. 2023
- 38% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in **math**, compared to **35%** statewide; 269 more needed to meet state goal of **86%**, 2023
- 93% of 9th graders graduate within four years, compared to 87% statewide; 3 more needed to meet state goal of 95%. 2023
- 13% of students are chronically absent from school, compared to 32% statewide; 25 less needed to meet state goal of 11%. 2022



Elkin City Schools has a **student-to-school counselor ratio** of **406:1** versus **325:1** in peer districts. 2022

Access to Postsecondary Credits

Students in Elkin City Schools completed **229 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials (industry-valued credential data available in Spring 2024) and 122 concentrations** in 2022. The top three CTE concentrations completed include Human Services; Health Science; and Business Management & Administration



59 high school students took at least one **AP course (15%)** (2022).



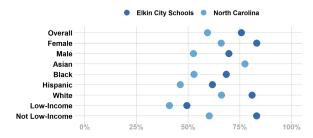
101 high school students participated in Career & College Promise programs (57%) (2022).

COLLEGE & CAREER ACCESS

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

- 65% of seniors completed the FAFSA in 2023, compared to 62% statewide; 14 more need to complete in 2023 to meet state goal of 80%. 2023
- 84% of graduates reported intentions to enroll in a postsecondary institution.
- 74% of graduates enrolled in a postsecondary institution within 12 months.

Postsecondary Enrollment Rates (within 12 months) for Select Groups in Elkin City 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

- · Surry CC
- · Forsyth TCC
- Wilkes CC
- 73% of college students persist to their second year of attendance. 2022

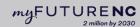
Percentage of students enrolled in North Carolina postsecondary institution who graduate within 6 years of enrollment, 2022



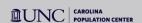
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City/District School Profile

Mount Airy City Schools | 2022-2023 This profile is a supplement to the County Profiles

Total Schools: 4 Total Students: 1,664



district boundary

ACADEMIC READINESS

How students in Mount Airy City Schools are currently doing:

- 33% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in reading, compared to 30% statewide; 307 more needed to meet state goal
- 39% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in math, compared to 35% statewide; 355 more needed to meet state goal of
- 89% of 9th graders graduate within four years, compared to 87% statewide; 7 more needed to meet state goal of 95%. 2023
- 22% of students are chronically absent from school, compared to 32% statewide; 195 less needed to meet state goal of 11%. 2022



Mount Airy City Schools has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 555:1 versus 325:1 in peer districts. 2022

Access to Postsecondary Credits

Students in Mount Airy City Schools completed 468 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials (industry-valued credential data available in Spring 2024) and 123 concentrations in 2022. The top three CTE concentrations completed include Health Science; Human Services; and Manufacturing.



51 high school students took at least one AP course (9%) (2022)



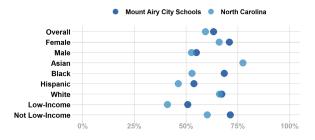
96 high school students participated in Career & College Promise programs (39%) (2022).

COLLEGE & CAREER ACCESS

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

- 64% of seniors completed the FAFSA in 2023, compared to 62% statewide; 18 more need to complete in 2023 to meet state goal of 80%. 2023
- 73% of graduates reported intentions to enroll in a postsecondary institution. 2022
- 62% of graduates enrolled in a postsecondary institution within 12 months. 2022

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



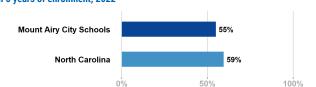
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POSTSECONDARY COMPLETION

Top destinations of all college-goers, Fall 2023

- Surry CC
- · Forsyth TCC
- · Wilkes CC
- 80% 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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