

# NCHEP Learning Institute

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#2Millionby 2030

#### myFUTURENC 2 million by 2030



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#### **OUR GOAL - HOUSE BILL 664**

# North Carolinians 25- to 44-year-olds will have completed a high-quality credential or postsecondary degree by 2030

To achieve our goal, myFutureNC will:

Monitor and Report Progress | Identify & Advocate for Policy Solutions

Accelerate

## Gap to Fill in North Carolina





To ensure the state remain economically competitive now and into the future,

2,000,000

residents aged 25-44 need to hold a postsecondary degree or credential by 2030.

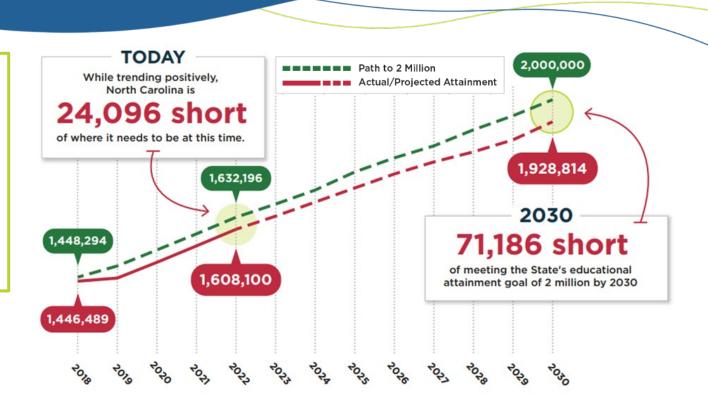
We currently fall short of the 2 million goal by 392K

Source: 2022 American Community Survey



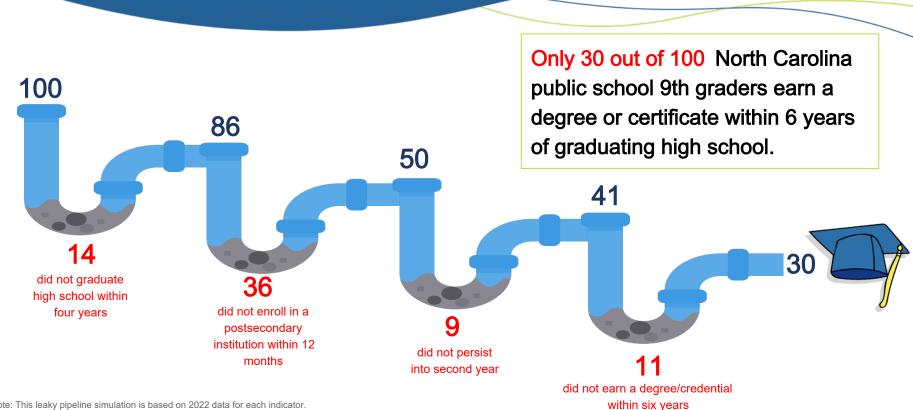
### Gap to Fill in North Carolina

We are projected to fall short of the 2 million goal by 71K



### **Educational Leaky Pipeline**





Note: This leaky pipeline simulation is based on 2022 data for each indicator.

Sources: Special calculation by Carolina Demography for myFutureNC using data from NCDPI and the National Student Clearinghose.

#### Homeless Children/Youth in Public Schools



In 2021-22, there were an estimated 28,615 public school students in North Carolina who experienced homelessness over the course of the school year, an increase of 26% over the previous school year.

SY 2019 - 2020 27,037 SY 2020 - 2021 22,644 SY 2021 - 2022 28,615 25k 30k 35k Children/Youth in (Thousands)

Note: Includes all enrolled homeless children and youth in grades PK through 12. COVID-19 operations impacted the identification of eligible students. Please use the data with caution.

#### Homeless Students in NC Higher ED

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The Hope Center on College, Community, and Justice at Temple University has conducted several large-scale student surveys of basic needs on campuses across the US. These are the NC institutions that participated in the Center's 2020 student survey:















# NC State University Survey on Food Insecurity/Homelessness



#### **Summary:**

"For the third time since 2017, NC State undergraduate and graduate students participated in a survey about their experiences with food and housing security, their use of basic needs resources on campus, and their general wellbeing. The results indicate a consistent, notable increase in rates of food and housing insecurity among our students. In 2017, survey rates of food insecurity (15%) and homelessness (9.5%) were alarming. 2020 rates of student food insecurity and homelessness climbed to 23% and 15% respectively."

In 2022-23, there were an estimated 35,398 enrolled in degree seeking programs at NC State University, with 4.955 who experienced homelessness over the course of the school year.

Source: Homelessness and Food & Housing Insecurity among NC State Students

# NC State University Survey on Food Insecurity/Homelessness



#### **myFutureNC**

"At the state level, MyFutureNC leadership and Board of Directors, including an NC State Vice Chancellor, understand that a better educated North Carolina is the key to economic prosperity and upward mobility for all citizens. They further recognize that "many of our postsecondary students are 'one flat tire' away from dropping out..." MyFutureNC's policy brief on postsecondary completion calls for expanded student financial support, both need-based academic support and "aid earmarked for helping secondary students weather challenges like food and housing insecurity..." University leaders should join advocacy efforts of MyFutureNC to increase awareness of these issues among state **policymakers." Kevin Howell,** Vice Chancellor for External Affairs, Partnerships and Economic Development and myFutureNC **Board Member** 

Source: Homelessness and Food & Housing Insecurity among NC State Students

#### **Foster Care Population**



In 2021, there were an estimated 10,710 children in foster care, an increase of 1% over the previous year.

#### **Child Welfare Summary**

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Child maltreatment victims	7,392	6,502	5,601	22,399	21,242
Foster care entry rate	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.2	2.4
Children in foster care on 9/30	10,756	10,543	11,223	10,630	10,710
Children adopted	1,528	1,522	1,546	1,521	1,317

Source: Children's Bureau Child Welfare Outcomes State Data Review Portal, U.S. DHHS

#### Foster Care Students in NC Higher ED



Livingstone College: Center for Aging Out, a partnership with Home4Me

Wake Tech: Fostering Bright Futures

Johnson C. Smith: Phasing Up to New Possibilities Scholars Program

Foster Care Initiative: Bennett College

Project Gap: Elizabeth City State University

NC Reach: Statefunded scholarship













### **Opportunity Youth**



When students do not see the link between their coursework and goals for the future, unfortunately, many become frustrated and disconnected as early as middle school. These students often drop out of high school and become opportunity youth.

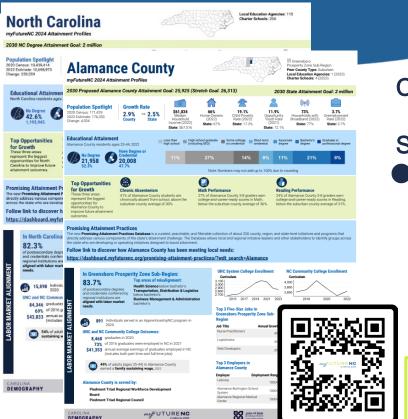
141,823- one in nine (10.9%) young adults ages 1624 aren't in school or working



Source: 2022 American Community Survey

#### myFutureNC 2024 Attainment Profiles





COUNTY ATTAINMENT PROFILES 3rd edition

#### SUPPLEMENTAL PROFILES NEW!

- District and City School Profiles
   Charter School profiles
   Regional Profiles
  - Prosperity Zone (PZ)
  - Workforce Development Board (WDB)
  - Council of Government (COG)

Scan the QR code or use the link: https://dashboard.myfuturenc.org/county-data-and-resources/

#### ACADEMIC READINESS



**30%** of 3-8 graders are **college-and-career-ready in reading** (2023)

**35%** of 3-8 graders are **college-and-career-ready in math** (2023)

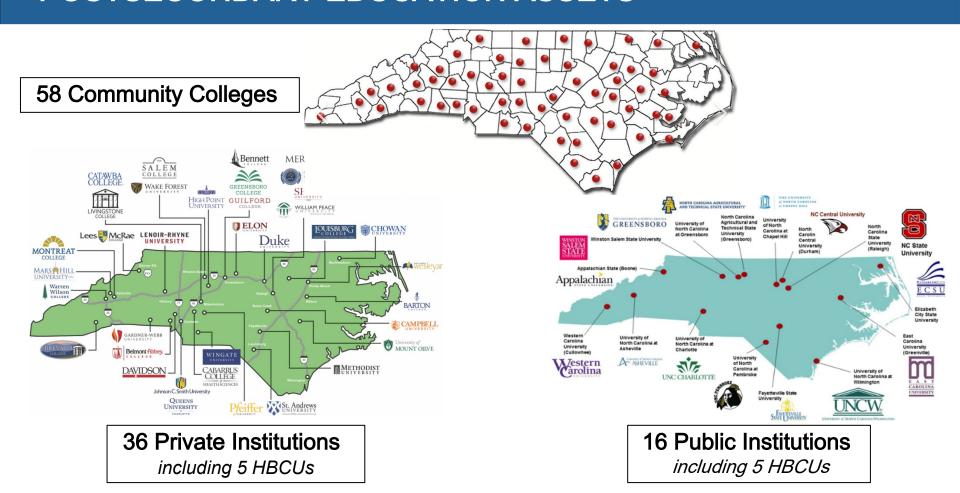
**32% students are chronically absent** from school, meaning they *missed 10% or more of school days.* (2022)

10,696
high school students
dropped out.
(2022)

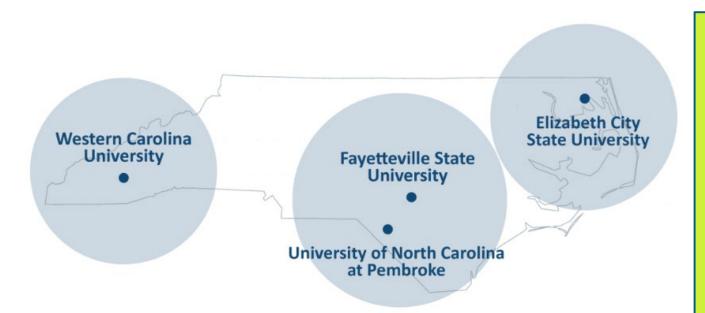


Note: College & Career ready means they score at level 4 or 5 on the end-of-grade exam. Source: North Carolina Department of Public Instruction.

#### POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION ASSETS

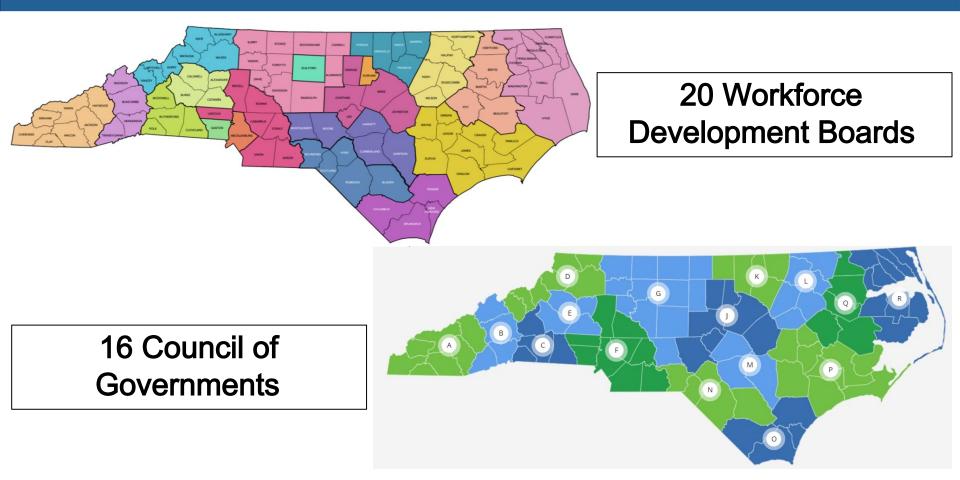


#### **NC Promise Universities**



- → Reduced student tuition \$500 per semester
- → Renewable for 8 semesters
- → Stackable with Federal Pell and Next NC Scholarships
- → Offered at 4 public universities, geographically reaching across the state

#### **WORKFORCE TRAINING ASSETS**



# FINANCIAL AID SUMMIT

UNLOCK THE OPPORTUNITIES

In 2023, myFutureNC partnered with NCSEAA and GEAR UP NC to facilitate the first-ever NC 2023 Financial Aid Summit at Wake Tech Community College in June. More than 250 attendees attended the 2-day event, with participants representing over 100 different organizations, including colleges, financial aid organizations, and 85 NC school districts/charter schools.

#### 2024 Financial Aid Summit will be held June 26 -27

At Embassy Suites CharlotteConcord Golf Resort & Spa (All overnight participants will be hosted in the Embassy Suites.)













#### Recommendations



- All student who have identified homelessness are provided with McKinney Vento services
- Educate and equip school officials of your district's process of identifying and providing support for students who are homeless or at risk of homelessness
- Advocate for students in the Foster Care System to pursue WIOA, NC Foster Care 18-21 year old program, secondary and post-secondary programs that have foster care initiatives; meet and connect with the NCWorks Career Center staff
- Connect with the local community college financial aid and admissions officers to ensure yearly updates on opportunities: Scholarships, TRIO, Upward Bound, work study, male mentoring programs, ambassador programs, NC Promise Scholarship

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