

Report to the North Carolina General Assembly

High School Diploma Endorsements Report Increase Access to Career and Technical Education

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REPORT TO THE NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Increase Access to Career and Technical Education

High School Diploma Endorsement Report

SL 2013-1, sec. 2(c), as amended by SL 2014-115, sec. 89

In response to Session Law 2013-1, sec. 2(c) as amended by SL 2014-115, sec.89, *Increase Access to Career and Technical Education*, the State Board of Education established **high school diploma endorsements** to encourage students to obtain requisite job skills and to reduce the need for remedial education in institutions of higher education. The State Board of Education established these high school diploma endorsements in collaboration with UNC General Administration and NC Community College System Office. The three endorsements are: Career, College, and College/UNC. These diploma endorsements encourage career and college readiness and reflect course completion and grades accomplished.

Table 1 is an overview of the number of graduates in 2015-16 who earned the Career, College and College/UNC high school diploma endorsements. Note that graduates may earn more than one endorsement. Table 2 provides further cross-analysis of the earned diploma endorsements. Tables 3, 4, and 5 give further detailed student counts for the diploma endorsements in each local education agency and charter school. These tables provide baseline data for this first Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee report.

Some highlights of the report are:

- 59% of 2015-16 graduates earned at least one high school diploma endorsement.
- A total of 121,254 high school diploma endorsements were awarded to graduates last year.
- 19% of 2015-16 graduates earned a Career endorsement.
- 59% of 2015-16 graduates earned a College or College/UNC endorsement.
- 18% of 2015-16 graduates earned a Career and College or College/UNC endorsement.
- 14% of 2015-16 graduates earned all three endorsements.

TABLE 1: Overview of High School Diploma Endorsements Earned by 2015-16 Graduates*

High School Diploma Endorsement	Number of Graduates Earning Endorsement	Percentage of Graduates Earning Endorsement
CAREER	18,893	19%
COLLEGE	53,967	53%
COLLEGE/UNC	48,394	47%

TABLE 2: Further Analysis of High School Diploma Endorsements Earned by 2015-16 Graduates*

High School Diploma Endorsement	Number of Graduates Earning Endorsement	Percentage of Graduates Earning Endorsement
Career and College or College/UNC	18,385	18%
College or College/UNC	60,150	59%
Career and College/UNC	14,646	14%
Career and College	18,335	18%
College and College/UNC	42,211	41%
At least one endorsement	60,658	59%
All three endorsements	14,596	14%

^{*}For the purpose of this report, the number of graduates in 2015-16 is 101,989.

TABLE 3: Number of 2015-16 Graduates Earning the Career Endorsement

District		
ID	District Name	Distinct Total
010	Alamance-Burlington Schools	306
020	Alexander County Schools	97
030	Alleghany County Schools	33
040	Anson County Schools	<10
050	Ashe County Schools	53
060	Avery County Schools	17
06B	Williams Academy (fka Crossnore)	<10
070	Beaufort County Schools	64
080	Bertie County Schools	10
090	Bladen County Schools	80
100	Brunswick County Schools	143
110	Buncombe County Schools	451
111	Asheville City Schools	35
120	Burke County Schools	122
130	Cabarrus County Schools	460
13A	Carolina International School	*
132	Kannapolis City Schools	88
140	Caldwell County Schools	225
150	Camden County Schools	27
160	Carteret County Public Schools	121
170	Caswell County Schools	47
180	Catawba County Schools	293
181	Hickory City Schools	37
182	Newton Conover City Schools	45
190	Chatham County Schools	25
19A	Chatham Charter	<10
200	Cherokee County Schools	50
210	Edenton-Chowan Schools	11
220	Clay County Schools	25
230	Cleveland County Schools	303
240	Columbus County Schools	72
241	Whiteville City Schools	15
250	Craven County Schools	150
260	Cumberland County Schools	430
270	Currituck County Schools	48
280	Dare County Schools	14
290	Davidson County Schools	534

291	Lexington City Schools	*
292	Thomasville City Schools	27
298	Deaf and Blind Schools	*
300	Davie County Schools	109
310	Duplin County Schools	144
320	Durham Public Schools	270
32D	Kestrel Heights School	*
32L	Voyager Academy	*
330	Edgecombe County Public Schools	68
340	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools	473
350	Franklin County Schools	94
360	Gaston County Schools	568
36B	Piedmont Community Charter	*
370	Gates County Schools	39
380	Graham County Schools	10
390	Granville County Schools	90
400	Greene County Schools	47
410	Guilford County Schools	1426
420	Halifax County Schools	18
421	Roanoke Rapids City Schools	70
422	Weldon City Schools	<10
430	Harnett County Schools	225
440	Haywood County Schools	166
450	Henderson County Schools	203
460	Hertford County Schools	<10
470	Hoke County Schools	45
480	Hyde County Schools	<10
490	Iredell-Statesville Schools	319
491	Mooresville Graded School District	69
500	Jackson County Public Schools	36
510	Johnston County Schools	662
520	Jones County Schools	17
530	Lee County Schools	125
540	Lenoir County Public Schools	120
550	Lincoln County Schools	196
55A	Lincoln Charter School	*
560	Macon County Schools	64
570	Madison County Schools	38
580	Martin County Schools	36
58B	Bear Grass Charter School	<10
590	McDowell County Schools	83
600	Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools	992

60C	Kennedy Charter	*
60D	Lake Norman Charter	*
60H	Crossroads Charter High	*
60I	Community School of Davidson	*
610	Mitchell County Schools	61
620	Montgomery County Schools	61
630	Moore County Schools	167
640	Nash-Rocky Mount Schools	205
650	New Hanover County Schools	199
660	Northampton County Schools	<10
670	Onslow County Schools	531
680	Orange County Schools	126
681	Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools	40
690	Pamlico County Schools	30
	Elizabeth City-Pasquotank Public	
700	Schools	97
710	Pender County Schools	123
720	Perquimans County Schools	36
730	Person County Schools	65
740	Pitt County Schools	420
750	Polk County Schools	61
760	Randolph County School System	360
761	Asheboro City Schools	12
770	Richmond County Schools	135
780	Public Schools of Robeson County	349
790	Rockingham County Schools	126
800	Rowan-Salisbury Schools	257
810	Rutherford County Schools	*
820	Sampson County Schools	231
821	Clinton City Schools	65
830	Scotland County Schools	64
840	Stanly County Schools	163
850	Stokes County Schools	146
860	Surry County Schools	169
861	Elkin City Schools	36
862	Mount Airy City Schools	30
870	Swain County Schools	25
880	Transylvania County Schools	95
890	Tyrrell County Schools	<10
900	Union County Public Schools	618
90A	Union Academy Charter School	<10
910	Vance County Schools	51

920	Wake County Schools	1552
92K	Raleigh Charter High School	*
930	Warren County Schools	16
940	Washington County Schools	12
94Z	Northeast Regional School - Biotech/Agri	<10
950	Watauga County Schools	72
960	Wayne County Public Schools	247
970	Wilkes County Schools	229
980	Wilson County Schools	137
990	Yadkin County Schools	109
995	Yancey County Schools	55
State		18893

^{*}This LEA or Charter School did have students earning CTE concentrators, but the number of career endorsements earned is not available due to a processing issue.

TABLE 4: Number of 2015-16 Graduates Earning the College Endorsement

District		
ID	District Name	Distinct Total
010	Alamance-Burlington Schools	790
020	Alexander County Schools	214
030	Alleghany County Schools	73
040	Anson County Schools	85
050	Ashe County Schools	152
060	Avery County Schools	102
06B	Williams Academy (fka Crossnore)	<10
070	Beaufort County Schools	225
080	Bertie County Schools	44
090	Bladen County Schools	150
100	Brunswick County Schools	500
110	Buncombe County Schools	1091
111	Asheville City Schools	188
120	Burke County Schools	579
130	Cabarrus County Schools	1331
132	Kannapolis City Schools	180
13A	Carolina International School	<10
140	Caldwell County Schools	594
150	Camden County Schools	76
160	Carteret County Public Schools	345
170	Caswell County Schools	86

180	Catawba County Schools	815
181	Hickory City Schools	148
182	Newton Conover City Schools	144
190	Chatham County Schools	48
19A	Chatham Charter	11
200	Cherokee County Schools	135
210	Edenton-Chowan Schools	53
220	Clay County Schools	51
230	Cleveland County Schools	756
240	Columbus County Schools	238
241	Whiteville City Schools	92
24B	Flemington Academy	<10
250	Craven County Schools	459
260	Cumberland County Schools	1121
270	Currituck County Schools	148
280	Dare County Schools	222
290	Davidson County Schools	949
292	Thomasville City Schools	64
298	Deaf and Blind Schools	<10
300	Davie County Schools	302
310	Duplin County Schools	316
320	Durham Public Schools	1005
330	Edgecombe County Public Schools	166
340	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools	1958
34B	Quality Education Academy	16
34D	Carter G Woodson School	<10
350	Franklin County Schools	291
360	Gaston County Schools	1183
36B	Piedmont Community Charter	43
36C	Mountain Island Charter	20
370	Gates County Schools	72
380	Graham County Schools	45
390	Granville County Schools	281
400	Greene County Schools	115
410	Guilford County Schools	2906
420	Halifax County Schools	53
421	Roanoke Rapids City Schools	142
422	Weldon City Schools	19
430	Harnett County Schools	711
440	Haywood County Schools	319
450	Henderson County Schools	620
460	Hertford County Schools	72

470	Hoke County Schools	162
480	Hyde County Schools	17
490	Iredell-Statesville Schools	830
491	Mooresville Graded School District	219
500	Jackson County Public Schools	148
510	Johnston County Schools	1319
51A	Neuse Charter School	17
520	Jones County Schools	34
530	Lee County Schools	375
540	Lenoir County Public Schools	303
550	Lincoln County Schools	599
55A	Lincoln Charter School	81
560	Macon County Schools	195
570	Madison County Schools	46
580	Martin County Schools	83
58B	Bear Grass Charter School	21
590	McDowell County Schools	205
600	Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools	4442
60D	Lake Norman Charter	160
60G	Queens Grant Community School	30
610	Mitchell County Schools	77
620	Montgomery County Schools	158
630	Moore County Schools	574
640	Nash-Rocky Mount Schools	488
64A	Rocky Mount Preparatory	37
650	New Hanover County Schools	1052
660	Northampton County Schools	29
66A	Gaston College Preparatory	44
670	Onslow County Schools	1052
680	Orange County Schools	354
681	Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools	589
690	Pamlico County Schools	69
	Elizabeth City-Pasquotank Public	
700	Schools	204
710	Pender County Schools	260
720	Perquimans County Schools	64
730	Person County Schools	148
73B	Roxboro Community School	52
740	Pitt County Schools	758
750	Polk County Schools	106
760	Randolph County School System	830
761	Asheboro City Schools	102

76A	Uwharrie Charter Academy	<10
770	Richmond County Schools	267
780	Public Schools of Robeson County	607
790	Rockingham County Schools	442
800	Rowan-Salisbury Schools	721
810	Rutherford County Schools	<10
81A	Thomas Jefferson Classical Academy	66
820	Sampson County Schools	364
821	Clinton City Schools	118
830	Scotland County Schools	208
840	Stanly County Schools	316
84B	Gray Stone Day School	55
850	Stokes County Schools	345
860	Surry County Schools	334
861	Elkin City Schools	82
862	Mount Airy City Schools	80
870	Swain County Schools	55
880	Transylvania County Schools	179
890	Tyrrell County Schools	14
900	Union County Public Schools	2104
90A	Union Academy Charter School	76
910	Vance County Schools	165
920	Wake County Schools	5835
92F	Franklin Academy	83
92G	East Wake Academy	50
92P	Southern Wake Academy	<10
92U	Longleaf School of the Arts	11
930	Warren County Schools	54
940	Washington County Schools	30
94Z	Northeast Regional School - Biotech/Agri	<10
950	Watauga County Schools	222
960	Wayne County Public Schools	634
970	Wilkes County Schools	437
980	Wilson County Schools	407
990	Yadkin County Schools	219
995	Yancey County Schools	108
State		53967

TABLE 5: Number of 2015-16 Graduates Earning the College/UNC Endorsement

District		
ID	District Name	Distinct Total
010	Alamance-Burlington Schools	832
01B	River Mill Academy	37
01C	Clover Garden	24
01D	The Hawbridge School	<10
020	Alexander County Schools	187
030	Alleghany County Schools	60
040	Anson County Schools	112
050	Ashe County Schools	117
060	Avery County Schools	51
06B	Williams Academy (fka Crossnore)	<10
070	Beaufort County Schools	216
080	Bertie County Schools	53
090	Bladen County Schools	129
100	Brunswick County Schools	458
110	Buncombe County Schools	980
111	Asheville City Schools	192
120	Burke County Schools	489
130	Cabarrus County Schools	1002
132	Kannapolis City Schools	179
13A	Carolina International School	<10
140	Caldwell County Schools	514
150	Camden County Schools	90
160	Carteret County Public Schools	330
170	Caswell County Schools	95
180	Catawba County Schools	672
181	Hickory City Schools	156
182	Newton Conover City Schools	143
190	Chatham County Schools	356
19A	Chatham Charter	12
200	Cherokee County Schools	139
210	Edenton-Chowan Schools	68
220	Clay County Schools	50
230	Cleveland County Schools	674
240	Columbus County Schools	196
241	Whiteville City Schools	98
250	Craven County Schools	454
260	Cumberland County Schools	330

270	Currituck County Schools	144
280	Dare County Schools	223
290	Davidson County Schools	816
291	Lexington City Schools	100
292	Thomasville City Schools	70
298	Deaf and Blind Schools	<10
300	Davie County Schools	286
310	Duplin County Schools	284
320	Durham Public Schools	282
32D	Kestrel Heights School	22
32L	Voyager Academy	69
32N	Research Triangle High School	77
330	Edgecombe County Public Schools	164
340	Winston Salem/Forsyth County Schools	1579
34B	Quality Education Academy	16
34D	Carter G Woodson School	<10
350	Franklin County Schools	279
360	Gaston County Schools	1206
36B	Piedmont Community Charter	47
36C	Mountain Island Charter	28
370	Gates County Schools	58
380	Graham County Schools	41
390	Granville County Schools	305
400	Greene County Schools	122
410	Guilford County Schools	1726
41F	Triad Math and Science Academy	<10
420	Halifax County Schools	65
421	Roanoke Rapids City Schools	124
422	Weldon City Schools	53
430	Harnett County Schools	649
440	Haywood County Schools	287
450	Henderson County Schools	452
460	Hertford County Schools	90
470	Hoke County Schools	183
480	Hyde County Schools	22
490	Iredell-Statesville Schools	843
491	Mooresville Graded School District	226
500	Jackson County Public Schools	118
510	Johnston County Schools	1238
51A	Neuse Charter School	14
520	Jones County Schools	29
530	Lee County Schools	351

540	Lenoir County Public Schools	312
550	Lincoln County Schools	566
55A	Lincoln Charter School	85
560	Macon County Schools	159
570	Madison County Schools	59
580	Martin County Schools	92
58B	Bear Grass Charter School	20
590	McDowell County Schools	172
600	Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools	3857
60C	Kennedy Charter	<10
60D	Lake Norman Charter	169
60G	Queens Grant Community School	11
60H	Crossroads Charter High	<10
60K	Charlotte Secondary School	16
610	Mitchell County Schools	70
620	Montgomery County Schools	158
630	Moore County Schools	569
640	Nash-Rocky Mount Schools	477
64A	Rocky Mount Preparatory	41
650	New Hanover County Schools	1048
660	Northampton County Schools	45
66A	Gaston College Preparatory	52
670	Onslow County Schools	956
680	Orange County Schools	362
681	Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools	633
690	Pamlico County Schools	59
	Elizabeth City-Pasquotank Public	
700	Schools	215
710	Pender County Schools	353
720	Perquimans County Schools	66
730	Person County Schools	147
73B	Roxboro Community School	52
740	Pitt County Schools	850
750	Polk County Schools	83
760	Randolph County School System	745
761	Asheboro City Schools	129
76A	Uwharrie Charter Academy	<10
770	Richmond County Schools	316
780	Public Schools of Robeson County	592
790	Rockingham County Schools	411
800	Rowan-Salisbury Schools	720
810	Rutherford County Schools	205

81A	Thomas Jefferson Classical Academy	74
81B	Lake Lure Classical Academy	21
820	Sampson County Schools	326
821	Clinton City Schools	127
830	Scotland County Schools	211
840	Stanly County Schools	273
84B	Gray Stone Day School	25
850	Stokes County Schools	268
860	Surry County Schools	287
861	Elkin City Schools	75
862	Mount Airy City Schools	84
870	Swain County Schools	49
880	Transylvania County Schools	159
890	Tyrrell County Schools	17
900	Union County Public Schools	1117
90A	Union Academy Charter School	84
910	Vance County Schools	216
920	Wake County Schools	5758
92F	Franklin Academy	86
92G	East Wake Academy	56
92P	Southern Wake Academy	<10
92U	Longleaf School of the Arts	<10
930	Warren County Schools	59
93A	Haliwa-Saponi Tribal School	<10
940	Washington County Schools	37
950	Watauga County Schools	201
960	Wayne County Public Schools	624
970	Wilkes County Schools	362
980	Wilson County Schools	411
990	Yadkin County Schools	195
995	Yancey County Schools	77
998	NC Division of Juvenile Justice	<10
State		48394

The State Board of Education is unable to report on the impact of the high school diploma endorsements at this time because these endorsements have only been in place for two full academic years. The legislated requirements addressing the impact of awarding these diploma endorsements on high school graduation, college acceptance and remediation, and post-high school employment rates will be reported when available in future reports.

Note: This report is based on data available as of August 2016. The *graduate data verification* window is still open for LEA and Charter School to make changes to their 2015-16 graduate data. NCDPI is committed to rerunning this data and will resubmit if there are significant variances based on LEA and Charter School changes in PowerSchool.