

EDUCATION



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County Schools

PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Southeastern North Carolina is served by 13 public school systems. The following data provides an overview of student enrollment, number of schools, SAT performance, and number of graduates.

System	Enrollment-1st month			
	08-09	Number of Schools	Mean SAT Scores	Number of Graduates
Bladen County	5,209	14	1284	337
Brunswick County	11,933	17	1473	705
Columbus County	6,918	19	1320	418
Whiteville City	2,488	5	1420	139
Cumberland County	53,370	89	1393	3,281
Hoke County	7,697	13	1323	348
New Hanover County	24,271	39	1536	1,429
Pender County	8,217	16	1464	463
Richmond County	7,868	19	1382	428
Robeson County	23,868	42	1272	1,063
Sampson County	8,524	17	1359	431
Clinton City	3,134	5	1401	164
Scotland County	6,710	21	1286	375
NC Southeast Total	170,207	316	1378	9,581

Source: North Carolina Board of Education, SAT Report, September 13, 2010; NC Department of Public Instruction, 2009 Statistical Profile.

2007-08 Post High School Intentions

County/City	Graduates	University	Community/ Jr. College	Other Education	Entering Military	Entering Labor Force	Other
Bladen County	337	134	156	0	12	28	7
Brunswick County	705	212	368	7	32	78	8
Columbus County	418	122	238	3	23	25	7
Whiteville City	139	44	72	0	10	13	0
Cumberland County	3281	1654	1112	40	252	187	36
Hoke County	348	170	81	5	44	48	0
New Hanover County	1429	754	521	9	35	75	35
Pender County	463	170	195	1	17	69	11
Richmond County	428	168	187	15	29	12	17
Robeson County	1063	412	430	8	72	70	71
Sampson County	431	125	185	4	17	92	8
Clinton City	164	78	70	0	6	9	1
Scotland County	375	173	119	1	9	60	13
NC Southeast	9,581	4,216	3,734	93	558	766	207

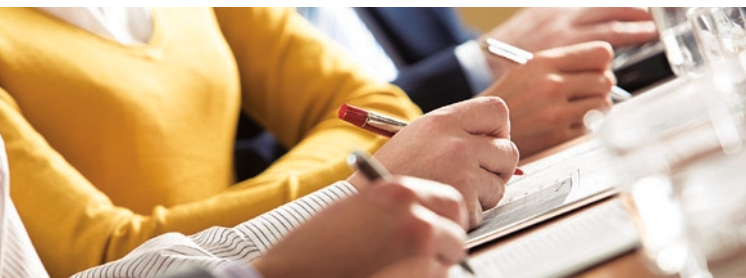
Source: NC Department of Public Instruction, 2009 Statistical Profile.

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Education Attainment Levels By County (People Age 25+)

County	At Least High School Graduate	At Least Bachelor's Degree
Bladen	17,194	2,858
Brunswick	63,304	13,540
Columbus	27,411	4,191
Cumberland	161,688	37,887
Hoke	21,099	3,286
New Hanover	118,258	43,854
Pender	29,902	5,507
Richmond	22,698	3,450
Robeson	56,651	10,424
Sampson	31,702	5,266
Scotland	18,147	4,215
NC Southeast	568,054	134,478

Source: NC Department of Public Instruction, 2008 Statistical Profile.



Overview of Universities, Colleges, and Community Colleges

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA WILMINGTON

- From its establishment as Wilmington College in 1947 with 238 students to its record-setting enrollment of more than 13,000 in 2010, the University of North Carolina Wilmington has transformed the lives of more than 56,000 students over the past 64 years and has had a major impact on the community it serves.
- U.S. News & World Report ranked UNCW the fifth best public regional university in the South; this is the 13th consecutive year UNCW was ranked in the top 10.
- UNCW skyrocketed to number 17 on Forbes' 2010 list of "America's Best College Buys", placing it in the magazine's top 20 among all colleges and universities in the U.S. for providing a high quality education at the lowest cost to students.
- UNCW is part of an exclusive group of colleges and universities included in the Fiske Guide to Colleges.
- The university is made up of the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Health and Human Services, the Cameron School of Business, the Watson School of Education and the Graduate School.
- It offers bachelor's degrees in 52 majors and 36 master's degrees, as well as a Ph.D. in Marine Biology and an Ed.D. in Educational Leadership.
- Of the 588 full-time faculty providing instruction to a multi-ethnic student body, more than 85.6 percent hold doctoral or terminal degrees.

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT PEMBROKE

- Founded in 1887 for the education of American Indians, the university now serves a student body reflective of the rich cultural diversity of American society.
- The university offers 41 programs at the bachelor's level and 17 master's degree programs, including the Master of Business Administration and Master of Public Administration.
- US News & World Report ranks UNCP one of the most diverse universities in the nation.
- There are 41 undergraduate degree programs, and an additional 59 minors that students can choose.

- Master’s degree programs are available in Education (School Administration, Elementary, Middle Grades, Reading, Art, English, Mathematics, Music, Physical, Science, Social Studies, and MAT programs), Mental Health and Professional School Counseling, Social Work (MSW), Public Administration (MPA), and Business Administration (MBA).

FAYETTEVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY

- Founded in 1867 as the Howard School by seven African American men, it became a normal school in 1877 and remains one of the oldest teacher education institutions in the South.
- Fayetteville State University is the second-oldest state-assisted institution of higher education in the state.
- In the past decade, FSU has also added new undergraduate and master’s degree programs, bringing the total number of undergraduate programs to 43 and the total number of master’s degree programs to 23 offered through its College of Arts and Sciences, School of Business and Economics, and School of Education. In 1994, Fayetteville State began its first doctoral program in Educational Leadership.
- In the past decade, student enrollment at FSU has increased to more than 6,000 students, while average SAT scores for entering freshmen classes have improved.
- The university is now one of seven University of North Carolina institutions authorized to grant doctoral degrees.
- New cutting-edge programs in Intelligence Studies, Biotechnology, Fire Science, Forensic Science, Four-year Nursing, and others have been developed.

METHODIST UNIVERSITY

- Methodist University is an independent four-year institution of higher education with over 2,300 students from 41 states and 44 countries.
- An engaging curriculum encompasses over 70 majors and concentrations.
- Methodist University is home to more than 70 student clubs and organizations.
- The student-to-faculty ratio is 15:1.
- The Monarchs compete in 19 NCAA Division III varsity athletic programs.
- With over 300 full-time employees, the institution ranks among the 15 top private employers in Cumberland County.
- The university offers the following graduate degree programs: Master of Business Administration, Master of Justice Administration, and Master of Medical Science.

ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE

- Regionally accredited undergraduate liberal arts college in Laurinburg, NC with more than 25 degrees and 3 certificate programs with opportunities ranging from creative writing or to forensic science or art, from politics or biology to therapeutic horsemanship, with business, sport and recreation studies and education as the leading majors.
- Classes available on the main campus in Laurinburg, and through the Center for Adult and Professional Studies with a satellite program on the campus of Sandhills Community College in Pinehurst, and classes online.
- Student diversity with 40% of student body from North Carolina, and the remainder representing 35 states and 9 foreign countries.
- Nationally recognized equestrian program with competitive programs in hunt seat, jumper, dressage and western, with a 300 acre state of the art equestrian center less than one mile from campus.
- Nationally acclaimed Bagpipe Band and home to the Scottish Heritage Center.
- Nationally recognized by the U.S. News and World Report and the Princeton Review each year for more than a decade, St. Andrews Presbyterian College has been applauded for its academic excellence throughout its 50-year history.
- St. Andrews is located within commuting distance of Fort Bragg and has been recognized as a Military Friendly Institution, as well as a Service Members Opportunity College. Credit evaluation for military training and prior learning is available.

Source: Each college or university provided a brief description.

NUMBER OF GRADUATES PER YEAR FOR UNIVERSITIES/COLLEGES

University/College	Number of Graduates	
	2008-2009	2009-2010
UNC Wilmington	2,910	2,689
UNC Pembroke	933	910
Fayetteville State University	927	1,039
Methodist University	270	366
St. Andrews Presbyterian College	135	142

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COMMUNITY COLLEGES IN THE SOUTHEAST REGION

Fast Facts:

- All 8 community colleges in the region are part of the North Carolina Community College System.
- These 8 colleges serve more than 125,000 students.
- Programs range from general education to industrial and specialized technical training.
- Tuition rates are among the lowest in the nation at approximately \$56 per semester hour (2010-11) to provide accessibility to all constituents of North Carolina.

County	Institution	Curriculum Enrollment 2009-10	Continuing Ed Enrollment 2009-10
Bladen	Bladen Community College	2,263	2,946
Brunswick	Brunswick Community College	2,122	5,541
Columbus	Southeastern Community College	3,355	7,617
Cumberland	Fayetteville Technical Community College	15,509	25,300
New Hanover	Cape Fear Community College	12,041	19,339
Richmond	Richmond Community College	2,533	5,606
Robeson	Robeson Community College	3,823	10,147
Sampson	Sampson Community College	2,076	5,808

Source: Annual Statistical Report 2009-2010, North Carolina Community College System.

Workforce Training

The mission of the North Carolina Community College System is to open the door to high-quality, accessible educational opportunities that minimize barriers to post-secondary education, maximize student success, develop a globally and multi-culturally competent workforce, and improve the lives and well-being of individuals by providing:

- Education, training and retraining for the workforce including basic skills and literacy education, occupational and pre-baccalaureate programs.
- Support for economic development through services to and in partnership with business and industry and in collaboration with the University of North Carolina System and private colleges and universities.
- Services to communities and individuals which improve the quality of life.

Source: North Carolina Community College System.

CUSTOMIZED TRAINING PROGRAMS

- The NC Community College Systems is known nationally and globally for its world-class business and industry training programs.
- All training programs are customized to the companies exact needs.
- Reacts quickly to the needs of businesses and respects the confidential nature of proprietary processes and information.
- Supports full time production and direct customer services positions created in the state.
- Business and industries eligible for the training include: manufacturing, technology, warehouse/distribution, customer support centers, air courier centers, national headquarters, civil service employees providing technical support to U.S. military installations located in the state.

K12 Funding (Federal, State, Local) Per Pupil Per County

County	State	Federal	Local	Total
Bladen County	6,375.73	1,632.46	1,199.87	9,208.06
Brunswick County	5,677.63	792.58	2,504.04	8,974.25
Columbus County	6,615.77	1,100.52	1,116.43	8,832.72
Whiteville City	6,302.81	1,247.57	1,227.07	8,777.45
Cumberland County	5,379.01	1,148.83	1,610.31	8,138.15
Hoke County	6,376.40	1,117.91	1,273.40	8,767.71
New Hanover County	5,368.19	822.22	3,268.88	9,459.29
Pender County	5,521.88	808.94	1,549.16	7,879.98
Richmond County	6,520.68	994.72	1,296.79	8,812.19
Robeson County	6,387.11	1,586.37	1,083.99	9,057.47
Sampson County	5,954.11	1,054.28	1,191.16	8,199.55
Clinton City	6,035.76	1,077.80	1,757.90	8,871.46
Scotland County	6,822.55	1,751.69	1,767.67	10,341.91
NCSE Average	6,102.89	1,164.30	1,603.59	8,870.78

Source: NC Department of Public Instruction, 2009 Statistical Profile.

Number of Students Enrolled in Private Schools

County	Number of Schools (Grades 9-12)	# Enrolled	Number of Schools (Grades PK-8)	# Enrolled
Brunswick	4	171	10	721
Columbus	7	324	9	338
Cumberland	19	3,616	35	4,823
New Hanover	4	1,276	24	3,653
Richmond	4	239	4	424
Robeson	7	281	7	400
Sampson	4	633	4	633
Scotland	3	336	2	303

Source: NC Department of Public Instruction, 2009 Statistical Profile.

Community College Academic Programs Supporting Industry Clusters

Subjects:

Applied Animal Science Technology Degree
Applied Animal Science Technology Diploma
Applied Animal Science Technology Certificate
Architectural Engineering Construction
Architectural Technology
Automotive Systems Technology
Basic Electricity, Motors and Controls
Biotechnology
Boat Building (Certificate)
Boat Building (Diploma)
Boat Manufacture and Service (Diploma)
Building Construction Degree
Building Construction Diploma
Building Construction Technology
Business Administration/Entrepreneurship I
Business Administration/Small Business Management
Business Administration/Small Business Startup Certificate
Carpentry (Certificate)
Carpentry (Diploma)
Chemical Technology (AAS)
Computer Engineering-Networking (Certificate)
Computer Engineering-Web Development (Certificate)
Computer Engineering Technology-Network Security (Certificate)
Computer Engineering Technology (AAS)
Computer Programming
Computer Programming/Cobol Programming
Computer Programming/visual Basic Programming
Computer Technologies Certificate
Computer Information Technology Degree
Electrical/Electronics Technology (AAS)
Electrical/Electronics Technology (Certificate)
Electrical/Electronics Technology (Diploma)
Electronics Engineering Technology-Instrumentation (AAS)
Electronics Engineering-Instrumentation Process Control (Certificate)
Electronics Engineering Technology (AAS)
Electronics Engineering Technology (Certificate)
General Contractor's License Prep. Certificate
Heavy Equipment and Transport Technology (Certificate)
Health Management Technology
Heavy Equipment and Transport Technology-Marine Systems (AAS)
Heavy Equipment and Transport Technology (Certificate)
Industrial Systems Technology (AAS)
Industrial Systems Technology (Certificate)

Industrial Systems Technology (Diploma)
Industrial Systems Technology/Community Building Maintenance Certificate
Industrial Systems Technology/Electrical Certificate
Industrial Systems Technology/Maintenance Operations Certificate
Industrial Systems Technology/Maintenance Machine Operator Certificate
Information Systems Diploma
Information Systems Certificate
Information Systems/Network Administrator & Support
Information System Security Degree
Logistic Management Technology
Machining Technology (AAS)
Machining Technology (Certificate)
Marine Technology (AAS)
Mechanical Engineering Technology (AAS)
Mechanical Engineering Technology-CAD Drafting (Certificate)
Mechanical Engineering Technology-CAD Drafting (Diploma)
Network Administrator & Support Certificate
Networking Technology
Nuclear Maintenance Technology (AAS)
Nuclear Medicine Technology
Pharmacy Technology (Diploma)
Surveying Technology
Truck Driver Training (Certificate)
Welding Technology (Certificate)
Welding Technology (Degree)
Welding Technology (Diploma)
Welding Technology/Shielded Metal Arc Certificate
Welding Technology/Symbols and Spec Certificate
Welding Technology/MIG Certificate
Welding Technology/TIG Certificate

Source: Technical Colleges in NC Southeast Region.