

High School Graduating Class of 2023

Laurel County

The Kentucky High School Feedback Report is produced by the Kentucky Center for Statistics (KYSTATS) utilizing data from the Kentucky Longitudinal Data System (KLDS), which includes data from the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE), the Council on Postsecondary Education (CPE), and the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA). This report provides the most complete and accurate data about college-going and first year success that exists for this school. It provides data on students who graduated from public high schools in 2022-23 and were enrolled at an in-state college or university during the 2023-24 academic year. **First year success looks at the subgroup of graduates who enrolled at an in-state public college or university only.**

**A. Overall, how do graduates from this school compare to others in Kentucky?**

In order to ensure the confidentiality of individuals, some data items have been redacted. Redacted data are represented by an asterisk (\*).

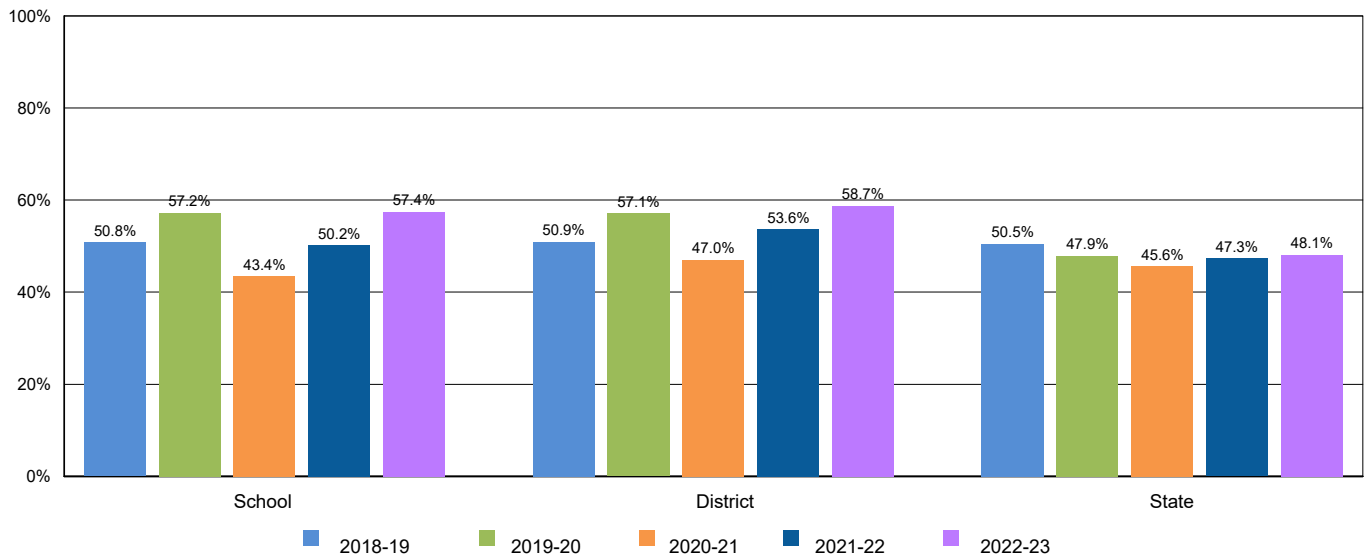
	School	District	Kentucky
1. Number of high school graduates	298	533	46,804
2. Average high school GPA	3.22	3.19	3.02
3. Percent of students in this class who were eligible for free or reduced lunch	53.4%	56.5%	52.1%
4. Average junior year ACT scores for this class			
Composite:	20.1	19.8	18.5
a. English	19.6	19.5	17.8
b. Mathematics	19.9	19.4	18.0
c. Reading	20.5	20.3	19.1
d. Science	19.7	19.6	18.7
5. Percent of these graduates who enrolled in at least one Advanced Placement (AP) course	36.9%	47.5%	34.4%
6. Percent of these graduates earning college credit prior to graduation	42.3%	42.6%	57.3%
7. Percent of these graduates earning an industry certificate	8.7%	11.4%	25.8%
8. Percent of these graduates who were academic and/or career ready (as defined by KDE)	81.1%	81.7%	80.7%
9. In-state college-going rate for graduates from this class	57.4%	58.7%	48.1%

**Quick Statistics**

High school graduation rate (cohort)	88.8%
Percent of graduates academic ready**	77.3%
Percent of graduates career ready**	51.2%
Percent of graduates academic and/or career ready**	81.1%
Average KEES Awards earned by these graduates	\$1,413
<b>College-going rates:</b>	
a. In-state college-going rate	57.4%
b. Eligible for free/reduced price lunch	42.8%
c. Earned college credit	85.7%
d. Did not earn college credit	36.6%
Percent earning 30 or more credit hours in first year of college	30.6%
Average first year of college GPA	2.80

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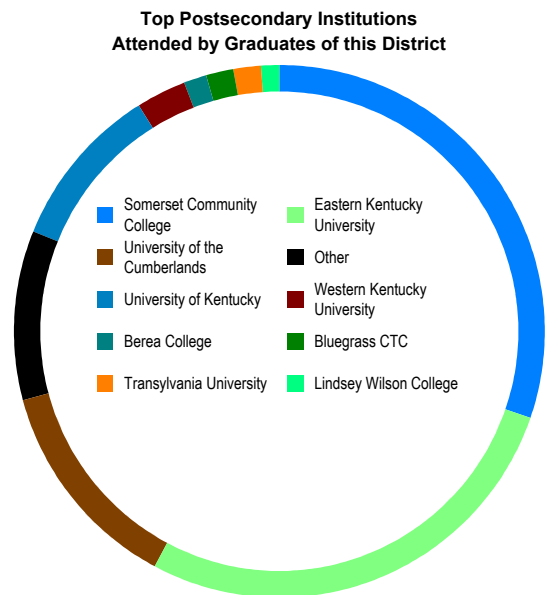
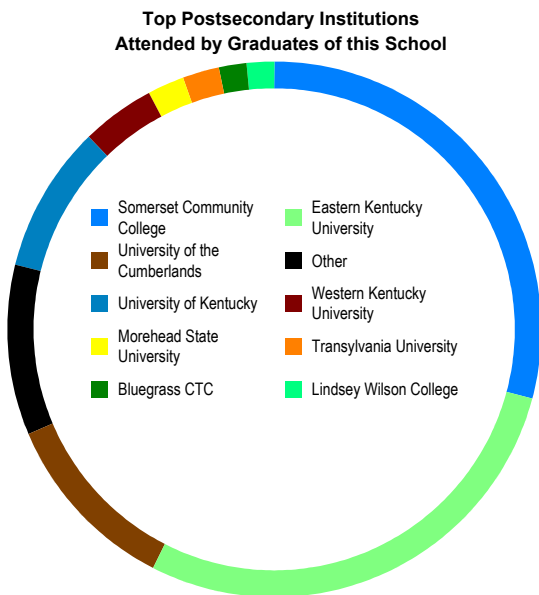
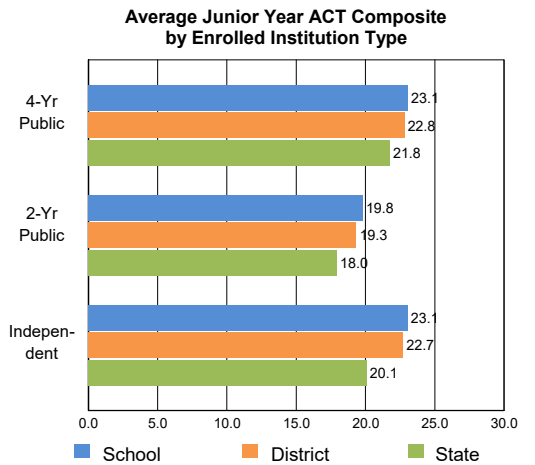
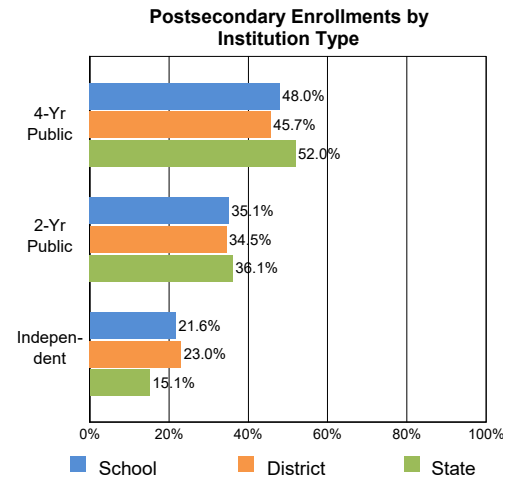
**In-State College-Going Rates Compared to Previous Graduating Classes**



Note: This Kentucky High School Feedback Report was produced using data from the Kentucky Longitudinal Data System (KLDS) and provides information at a deeper level and in a different format than previous reports. If you intend to compare data from this report to others, please review the technical notes for each to ensure that the data are comparable. For more information, please visit <https://kystats.ky.gov>.

**B. What types of in-state colleges and universities did graduates from this school attend?**

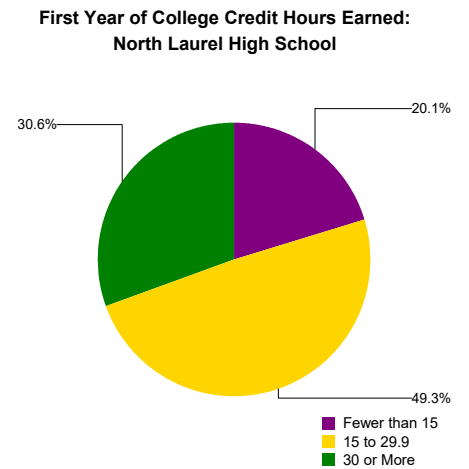
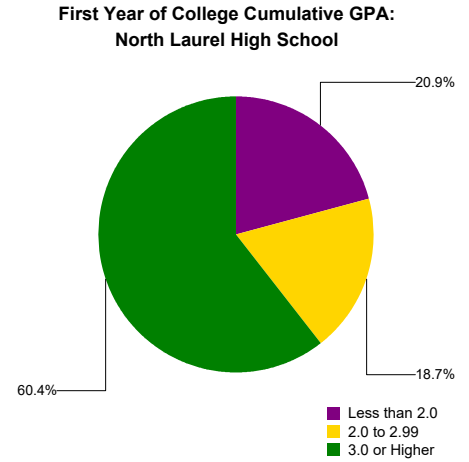
	School	District	Kentucky
1. Number of high school graduates entering college	171	313	22,532
2. Type of college or university attended			
a. Four-year public university	48.0%	45.7%	52.0%
b. Two-year public community or technical college (KCTCS)	35.1%	34.5%	36.1%
c. Independent	21.6%	23.0%	15.1%
3. College-going rates for specific student populations			
a. Male	46.6%	48.7%	40.6%
b. Female	68.0%	68.5%	55.8%
c. White	56.4%	57.6%	48.9%
d. African-American	*	*	42.6%
e. Hispanic/Latino	*	*	43.1%
f. Eligible for free/reduced lunch	42.8%	46.8%	39.6%
g. Special education	*	25.7%	20.2%
h. Academic and/or career ready**	68.2%	68.9%	56.3%
i. Not academic or career ready**	16.1%	17.1%	15.9%
j. Enrolled in at least one AP course	82.7%	79.8%	67.9%
k. Earned college credit prior to graduation	85.7%	83.7%	63.1%
4. Average ACT composite score by type of college or university attended			
a. Four-year public university	23.1	22.8	21.8
b. Two-year public community or technical college (KCTCS)	19.8	19.3	18.0
c. Independent	23.1	22.7	20.1



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**C. How did graduates from this school perform in their first year at in-state public colleges and universities?**

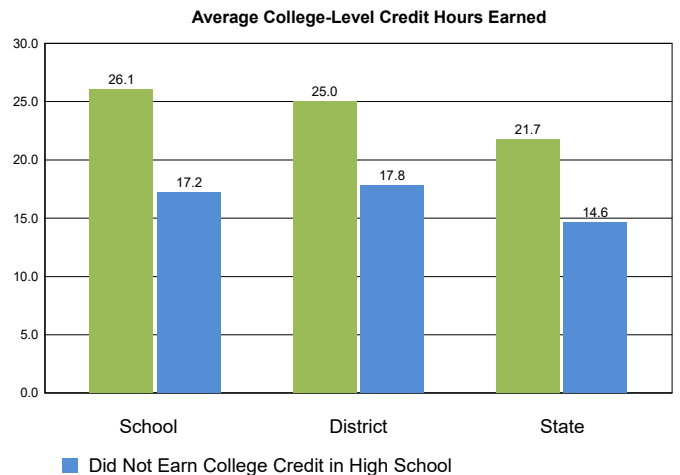
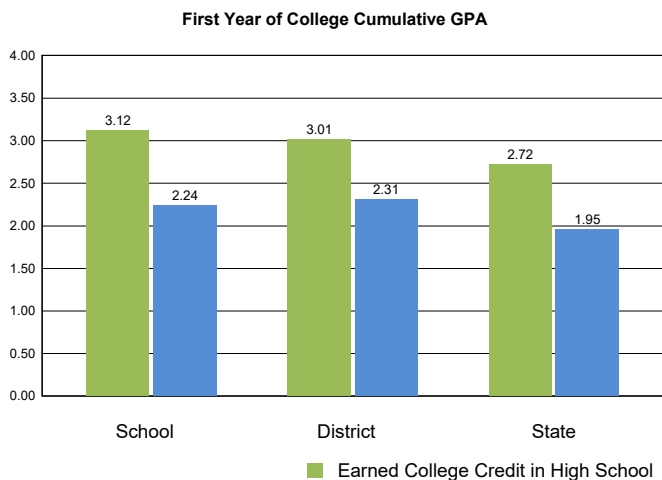
	School	District	Kentucky
1. Percent of graduates who started as full-time students	94.8%	92.9%	89.5%
2. Degree or credential sought			
a. Bachelor's degree	54.5%	52.3%	56.1%
b. Associate degree	32.8%	32.8%	38.4%
c. Certificate or diploma	11.9%	14.1%	4.7%
d. Not designated/undecided/undeclared/no degree	0.7%	0.8%	0.9%
3. Percent with first year of college cumulative GPA of			
a. Less than 2.0	20.9%	23.2%	28.2%
b. 2.0 to 2.99	18.7%	21.2%	23.3%
c. 3.0 or higher	60.4%	55.6%	48.5%
4. Average credit hours in first year of college			
a. Attempted (includes developmental)	26.6	26.1	25.2
b. Completed (includes developmental)	25.2	24.9	23.3
c. Earned (non-developmental only)	22.9	22.1	20.0
5. Number of college-level credit hours earned in first year of college			
a. Fewer than 15 hours	20.1%	24.1%	30.4%
b. 15 hours to 29.9 hours	49.3%	48.5%	47.1%
c. 30 hours or more	30.6%	27.4%	22.4%



**Comparing College Performance by Earning College Credit in High School**

6. Average first year cumulative GPA			
a. Earned college credit in high school	3.12	3.01	2.72
b. Did not earn college credit in high school	2.24	2.31	1.95
7. Average college-level credit hours earned			
a. Earned college credit in high school	26.1	25.0	21.7
b. Did not earn college credit in high school	17.2	17.8	14.6

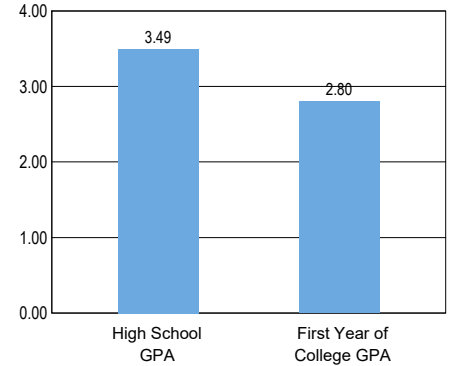
**College Performance by Earning College Credit in High School**



Comparing High School and College Grades

	School	District	Kentucky
8. Average cumulative GPA			
a. High school	3.49	3.46	3.35
b. First year of college	2.80	2.73	2.53
9. Average cumulative grade in math			
a. Senior year of high school	3.41	3.40	3.16
b. First year of college	2.51	2.44	2.28
10. Average cumulative grade in English			
a. Senior year of high school	3.39	3.48	3.27
b. First year of college	2.86	2.90	2.72
11. Average cumulative grade in science			
a. Senior year of high school	3.40	3.31	3.25
b. First year of college	3.02	2.95	2.59

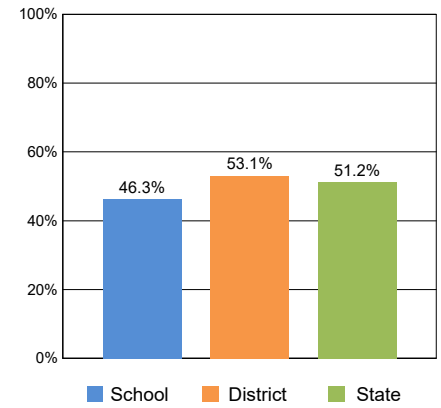
Average Cumulative GPA for Graduates of North Laurel High School



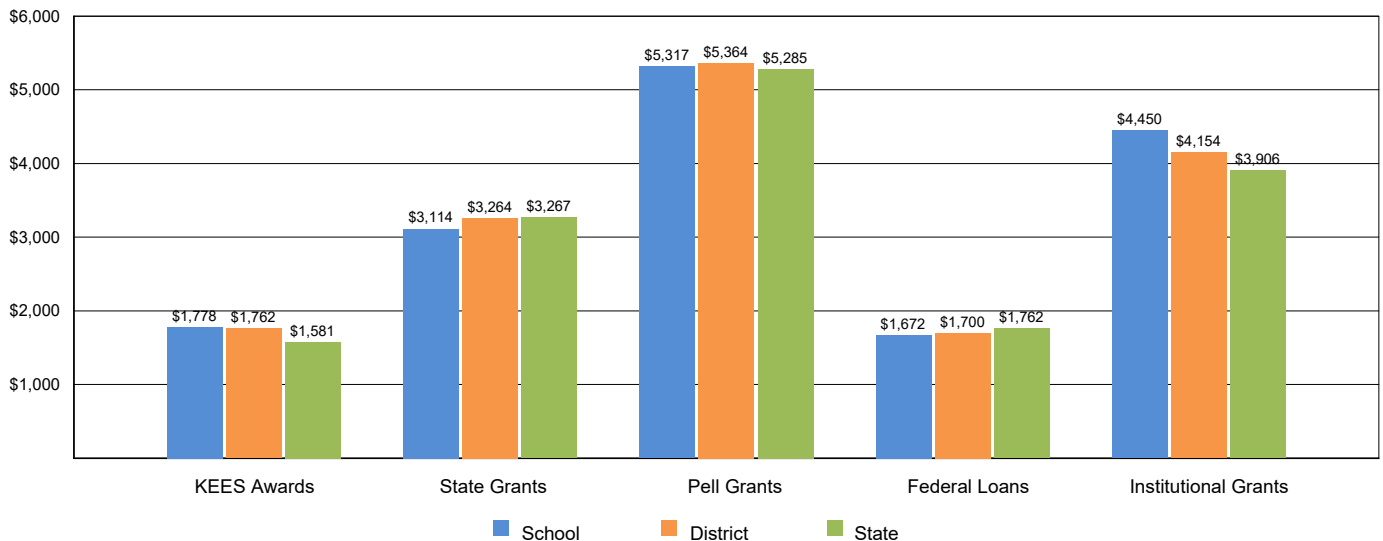
**D. What types of financial aid did in-state public college and university attendees from this school receive?**

	School	District	Kentucky
<b>State Aid</b>			
12. Average Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES) award	\$1,778	\$1,762	\$1,581
13. State grants			
a. Average need-based grant	\$1,391	\$1,632	\$1,760
b. Average non-need grant	\$1,724	\$1,632	\$1,507
<b>Federal Aid</b>			
14. Average Pell grant	\$5,317	\$5,364	\$5,285
15. Federal loans			
a. Average need-based loan	\$1,064	\$1,092	\$1,156
b. Average non-need loan	\$608	\$608	\$606
<b>Institutional Aid</b>			
16. Average institutional grant	\$4,450	\$4,154	\$3,906

Percent of These College Attendees Receiving a Pell Grant



Average Per Student Financial Aid Award by Type



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