

2026–2027 NC College Connect Participating Institutions

These schools are part of NC College Connect, which offers direct admission. That means if you start senior year at a North Carolina public high school, are on track to graduate with a 2.8 GPA or higher and a fourth-level math and meet program requirements, you'll be automatically admitted to some of these colleges. Your GPA will determine the list of schools you've been admitted to, so stay on the lookout for your letter in mid-September 2026!

UNC System Institutions

- Appalachian State University
- East Carolina University
- Elizabeth City State University
- Fayetteville State University
- North Carolina Central University
- University of North Carolina Asheville
- University of North Carolina at Charlotte
- University of North Carolina at Greensboro
- University of North Carolina at Pembroke
- Western Carolina University
- Winston-Salem State University

North Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities

- Barton College
- Belmont Abbey College*
- Bennett College*
- Brevard College
- Campbell University
- Catawba College
- Chowan University
- Gardner-Webb University*
- Greensboro College
- Guilford College*
- Johnson C. Smith University*
- Lees-McRae College
- Lenoir-Rhyne University*
- Livingstone College
- Louisburg College
- Mars Hill University*
- Meredith College*
- Methodist University
- Mid-Atlantic Christian University
- Montreat College
- North Carolina Wesleyan University
- Pfeiffer University
- Queens University of Charlotte
- Salem College*
- Shaw University
- University of Mount Olive
- Warren Wilson College
- William Peace University
- Wingate University*

*These colleges and universities have additional requirements for a student to qualify for direct admission. These requirements will be noted in each institution's NC College Connect form.

North Carolina Community Colleges

If you are on track to graduate, you'll be directly admitted to your local community college in the fall of your senior year. Students are welcome to apply to additional community colleges, beyond the one they match with, if interested.

- Alamance Community College
- Asheville-Buncombe Technical College
- Beaufort County Community College
- Bladen Community College
- Blue Ridge Community College
- Brunswick Community College
- Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute
- Cape Fear Community College
- Carteret Community College
- Catawba Valley Community College
- Central Carolina Community College
- Central Piedmont Community College
- Cleveland Community College
- Coastal Carolina Community College
- College of the Albemarle
- Craven Community College
- Davidson-Davie Community College
- Durham Technical Community College
- Edgecombe Community College
- Fayetteville Technical Community College
- Forsyth Technical Community College
- Gaston College
- Guilford Technical Community College
- Halifax Community College
- Haywood Community College
- Isothermal Community College
- James Sprunt Community College
- Johnston Community College
- Lenoir Community College
- Martin Community College
- Mayland Community College
- McDowell Technical Community College
- Mitchell Community College
- Montgomery Community College
- Nash Community College
- Pamlico Community College
- Piedmont Community College
- Pitt Community College
- Randolph Community College
- Richmond Community College
- Roanoke-Chowan Community College
- Robeson Community College
- Rockingham Community College
- Rowan-Cabarrus Community College
- Sampson Community College
- Sandhills Community College
- South Piedmont Community College
- Southeastern Community College
- Southwestern Community College
- Stanly Community College
- Surry Community College
- Tri-County Community College
- Vance-Granville Community College
- Wake Technical Community College
- Wayne Community College
- Western Piedmont Community College
- Wilkes Community College
- Wilson Community College