

KCTCS GOOD NEWS REPORT

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ENROLLMENT

1. KCTCS is the largest provider of postsecondary education in the state, with an annual enrollment of over 101,000 students and 44% of the state's public higher education undergraduate students.
2. KCTCS has one of the state's highest underrepresented minority (URM) enrollment rates, with nearly 20,000 URM students enrolled in 2022-23 (19.4% of total enrollment).
3. Since its creation, KCTCS has bettered the lives of over 1.2 million Kentuckians.
4. KCTCS educates 63% of Kentucky high school students who enroll in dual credit.
5. Over 32,000 high school students enrolled in KCTCS classes in 2022-23.
6. KCTCS is the largest provider of online learning in Kentucky, with 63% of students taking at least one online class and 36% of students enrolling exclusively online.

COMPLETION/GRADUATION

7. KCTCS is #7 in the nation in credentials awarded by public, two-year institutions and #1 in the nation in credentials awarded per capita by public, two-year institutions.
8. Since its creation, KCTCS has awarded over 600,000 credentials and has graduated over 250,000 students.
9. Since its creation, KCTCS has awarded over 65,000 credentials to students identifying as underrepresented minorities.
10. KCTCS ranks 2nd in the nation for increasing six-year completion rates, with an increase of 3 percentage points over the prior year.
11. KCTCS has increased its three-year graduation rate every year since 2012-13.
12. Over 60% of credentials awarded in Kentucky to individuals from low-income households are awarded by KCTCS; more than one-third of Kentucky's total credentials awarded to underrepresented minorities are awarded by KCTCS.



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WORKFORCE

13. KCTCS is the number one provider of workforce training in the state and the first stop for all workforce needs.
14. KCTCS provides workforce solutions to 5,300 companies each year.
15. In 2022-23, 81.4% of KCTCS credentials awarded were in programs aligned to the state's top five Targeted Industry Sectors – Advanced Manufacturing, Business/IT, Construction/Skilled Trades, Healthcare, and Transportation/Logistics.
16. In 2022-23, 93.7% of KCTCS credentials awarded were in programs aligned to the state's top five Targeted Industry Sectors or designed to transfer to a four-year university.
17. KCTCS awards 62% of Kentucky's nursing and allied health credentials, and it awards 88% of Kentucky's associate degrees in Nursing and Allied Health earned by students at public institutions.
18. 93% of students seeking a skilled trade career select a KCTCS college.
19. KCTCS awards 96% of all short-term certificates in the state, some of which can be completed in as little as four months and lead to jobs in high-demand fields.
20. KCTCS offers a total of 114 academic programs, including 5 transfer degrees, 3 general education certificates, and 106 technical programs.

AFFORDABILITY

21. KCTCS has the lowest tuition of any higher education institution in Kentucky, with students paying less than half the rate of what they'd pay at most four-year universities.
22. 78.5% of KCTCS students receive financial aid and only 12.4% need student loans to finance their education.
23. In 2022-23, KCTCS awarded nearly \$12 million in Work Ready Kentucky Scholarships to over 4,200 students for training programs aligned to the state's Targeted Industry Sectors.

TRANSFER

24. Each year around 14,000 KCTCS students transfer to a four-year college or university.
25. KCTCS achieved its highest transfer rate on record in 2021-22, with 58.3% of Associate of Arts and Associate of Science graduates enrolling at four-year institutions by the following year.



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