



Board Bulletin

September 5, 2014

Graduation Rate Declines

The NC Dept. of Public Instruction recently released the 4-year cohort graduation data for 2013-2014. The 4-year cohort data captures the graduation rates of those students entering 9th grade in 2010-2011 and completing their requirements for graduation by 2013-2014.

Stanly County's graduation rate differs significantly by socio-economic status and race. In fact, 72.2% of economically disadvantaged students graduated in 4 years. Further, 81.5% of Caucasian students graduated in 4-years versus 74.2% of African-American students.

Below please find a summary of Stanly County's data in comparison to other school systems in the region, the statewide average and the results from the past two (2) years:

School System (LEA)	2013-2014 Rate	2012-2013 Rate	2011-2012 Rate
Union	92.8% ↑	90.8%	89.5%
Cabarrus	88.1% ↑	86.5%	86.3%
Montgomery	86.1% ↑	85.3%	80.5%
Davidson	84.8% ↓	85.2%	82.5%
State Avg.	83.8% ↑	82.5%	80.4%
Stanly	81.1% ↓	82.3%	81.2%
Rowan	80.3% ↓	82.9%	81.1%
Anson	79.0% ↑	77.4%	73.8%

Below please find a summary of the same 4-year cohort graduation rate data for each of the public high schools in Stanly County:

School	2013-2014 Rate
Albemarle	70.4%
North Stanly	83.3%
West Stanly	83.3%
South Stanly	86.9%
Early College	>95%
Gray Stone	>95%

Property Tax Collections Update

As of August 31 the real property collection rate was 51.58%. This rate is 10.63 percentage points higher than the reported rate at the end of August 2013.

The vehicle tax collection rate as of August 2014 was 51.58%. This collection rate is 7.07 percentage points lower than the reported rate as of August 2013.

With respect to the overall levy collected, the collection percentage through August 2014 is 10.12 percentage points ahead of the overall rate as of August 31, 2013.

The County has collected \$13,851 via the NC debt setoff program for past due taxes in FY 14-15. As a means of comparison, the County collected \$2,737 via debt setoff during the same time period in FY 2013-2014. This is an \$11,114 (406%) increase.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

Special Board Meeting	Monday, September 8 9:00 AM Manager's Conf. Room
Stanly COG Liaison Mtg.	Tuesday, Sept 23 Oakboro - TBA
Regular Board Meeting	Monday, October 6 7:00 PM Commons Meeting Room