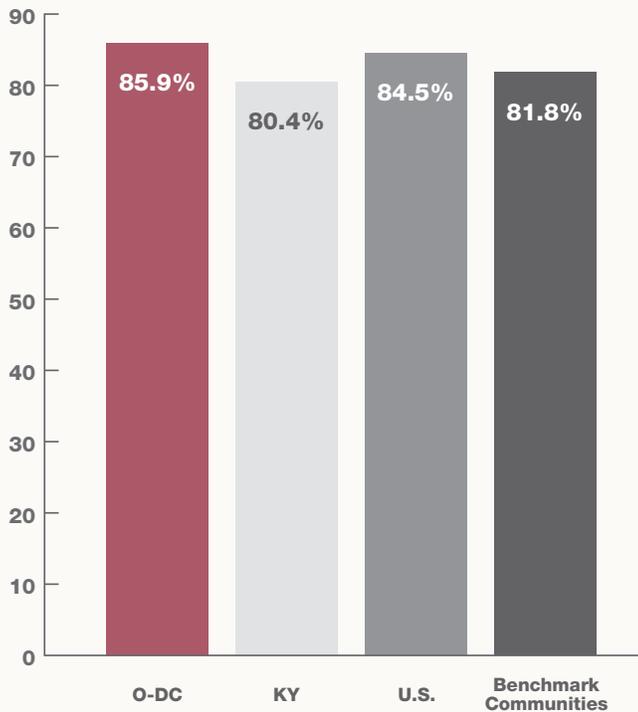
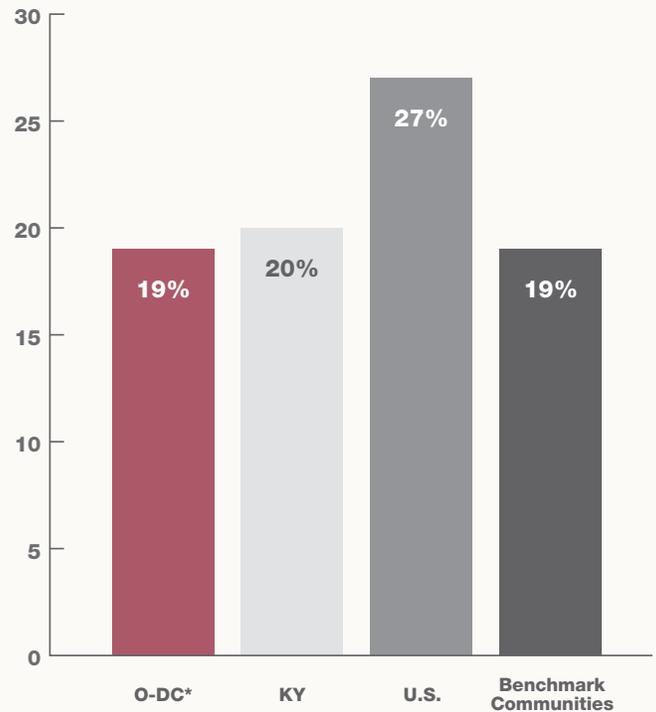


**Percent of Adults with a High School Degree or equivalent (or more)**



U.S. Census (2008 est.)

**Percent of Adults with a Baccalaureate Degree (or more)**



U.S. Census (2008 est.)

**Kentucky counties with a higher percent of adults with a Baccalaureate Degree (or more)**

Fayette	35.6
Oldham	30.6
Woodford	25.9
Jefferson	24.8
Warren	24.7
Calloway	24
Franklin	23.8
Kenton	22.9
Boone	22.8
Rowan	21.9
Madison	21.8
Jessamine	21.5
Campbell	20.5
Scott	20.3
Boyle	19.3
Shelby	18.7
McCracken	18.1

**Daviess 17**

Source: Kentucky State Data Center  
 U.S. Census (2000 est.)

**“Something like a quarter to a third of American children are living with one or no parents, in chaotic neighborhoods with failing schools. A gigantic slice of America’s human capital is vastly underused.”**

**David Brooks**  
*New York Times* columnist

**“...it’s becoming increasingly clear that college doesn’t make sense for everyone. Some simply lack the necessary verbal and math capacity. Others are interested in worthy non-college careers like carpentry.”**

**Michael Barone**  
 “The Higher Education Bubble: Ready to Burst?”  
 Sept. 6, 2010

**“The U.S. is now 18th in secondary education among 36 (nations) tested. Twenty years ago, we were near the top.”**

**Justice Bill Cunningham**  
 “What I Hear About Education”  
*Courier-Journal*, Sept. 30, 2010

**“HOW WILL WE WORK AND LEARN IN 2020?”**  
*Shaping a Vision for a Thriving Owensboro-Daviess County*

## School District Comparisons

	OPS	DCPS	OCS	KY	U.S.
No. of Schools	10	18	4	1,243	–
No. of Students in Schools	4,063	11,091	1,285	–	–
School Tax on \$100,000 House	\$767	\$563	N/A	\$522	–
Percent of high school freshmen who complete high school in four years	80%	88%	95%	77%	73%
ACT Score (composite)	20.6	21	22.6	19	21
Instructional Funds per Student	\$5,653	\$5,279	\$3,235	\$5,181	\$6,253
Total Revenue per Student	\$11,303	\$9,557	–	–	–
Free/Reduced Lunch Rate	72%	51%	13%	56%	62%
Student-Teacher Ratio	12:1	15:1	15:1	15:1	15.5:1
Ave. Teacher Pay	\$46,702	\$48,085	\$39,532	\$46,976	–

*Kentucky District Data Profiles (2007-2008)  
Kentucky Legislative Research Commission, Office of Educational Accountability  
Local School Districts*

## Core Content Tests (2008) Academic Index – High School

	OPS	DCPS	State Ave.
Reading	89	94	88
Math	66	70	69
Science	74	73	72
Writing	81	72	76

*Kentucky District Data Profiles (2007-2008)  
Kentucky Legislative Research Commission, Office of Educational Accountability  
Local School Districts*

## College or Career Ready?

Greenwood (Bowling Green) High School	49%
Bowling Green High School	45%
<b>Daviess County High School</b>	<b>43%</b>
Heath High School	43%
Lone Oak High School	41%
<b>Apollo High School</b>	<b>38%</b>
State Average	34%
Paducah Tilghman High School	34%
<b>Owensboro High School</b>	<b>31%</b>
Warren East High School	31%
Reidland High School	31%
Warren Central High School	29%
Christian County High School	25%
Hopkinsville High School	25%

*No Child Left Behind Report 2010*

High School Math and Science Comparisons (2010) Students at a Proficient/Distinguished Level			
Math		Science	
Louisville Manual	77.9%	Frederick Frazier (Cloverport)	85.7%
Frederick Frazier (Cloverport)	61.9%	Louisville Manual	70.8%
Lexington Dunbar	58.4%	Lexington Dunbar	57.6%
Greenwood	53.1%	Louisville Atherton	52.9%
Bowling Green	51.5%	Lexington Henry Clay	51.5%
Warren East	50.5%	Greenwood	49.9%
Lexington Henry Clay	48.9%	Bowling Green	48.1%
Louisville Atherton	45.0%	<b>Apollo High School</b>	<b>44.4%</b>
<b>Owensboro High School</b>	<b>41.4%</b>	<b>Owensboro High School</b>	<b>42.8%</b>
Warren Central	41.1%	Henderson County	42.4%
Henderson County	38.2%	Warren Central	37.6%
Scott County	36.2%	Warren East	37.3%
<b>Daviess County High School</b>	<b>36.2%</b>	<b>Daviess County High School</b>	<b>37.2%</b>
<b>Apollo High School</b>	<b>36.0%</b>	Scott County	35.5%

Kentucky Department of Education

**Kentucky needs 210,457 more college graduates to be an average state in terms of educational attainment.**

---

**By 2020, to reach the national average in terms of the percentage of the population with a baccalaureate degree, Kentucky needs to double the number of college graduates we have today.**

**“No more than half of those who began a four-year bachelor’s degree program in the fall of 2006 will get that degree within six years...for college students who ranked among the bottom quarter of their high school classes...80 percent will probably never get a bachelor’s degree or even a two-year associate’s degree.”**

**Jacque Steinberg**  
*New York Times*  
 May 14, 2010

**“HOW WILL WE WORK AND LEARN IN 2020?”**  
*Shaping a Vision for a Thriving Owensboro-Daviess County*

**Local College and University Comparisons**

	Brescia	KWC	OCTC	WKU-O	TOTAL
<b>Students:</b>					
Full-Time	510	832	2,150	451	3,943
Part-Time	215	44	4,174	735	5,168
Total	725	876	6,324	1,186	9,111
No. of Associate Majors Offered	7	0	39	0	
No. of BA/BS Majors Offered	37	38	N/A	24	
No. of Pre-Professional Programs Offered	11	11	N/A	0	
Percent Graduating in 6 Years (4 Years OCTC)	45%	52%	25%	n/a	
No. of Graduate Programs	3	0	0	29	

Local Institutions  
 National Center for Education Statistics

**Public School District Tax Comparisons (Real Estate)**

<b>Owensboro</b> (\$767 on a \$100,000 house)	<b>76.7</b>
Bowling Green	70.7
Paducah	67.8
<b>Daviess County</b> (\$563 on a \$100,000 house)	<b>56.3</b>
McCracken	50.4
Warren County	37.1
Christian County	36.8

**If Daviess County Public School taxes were raised to the level of the Owensboro Public Schools, it would generate \$9.8 million more per year toward education.**

**If Owensboro Public Schools school taxes were reduced to the level of the Daviess County Public Schools, it would decrease revenue to the city schools by \$2.5 million per year.**