

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

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HOW ARE WE DOING? The graduation rate includes only on-time graduates who earn regular diplomas within four years of entering high school. A dropout rate is not equivalent to subtracting the graduation rate from 100 percent because that would count students who are “other completers” (students who earned a GED, certificate of completion or reached special education maximum age) or “off-track continuing” (those who did not graduate with their 4-year cohort, but continued on in high school). Data included here is shown by last year in the school year e.g., 2016 for the 2015 - 2016 school year.

4-YEAR COHORT HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION/DROPOUT RATES BY DISTRICT, 2014 – 2016ⁱ

DISTRICT	Graduation Rate			Dropout Rate		
	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016
MICHIGAN	78.6%	79.79%	79.65%	9.6%	9.12%	8.91%
ATHENS	85.7%	87.5%	94.4%	11.9%	5.0%	2.78%
BATTLE CREEK	54.5%	70.29%	69.47%	16.0%	10.88%	11.21%
BELLEVUE	79.17%	74.29%	82.35%	8.33%	20.0%	5.88%
HARPER CREEK	92.2%	90.24%	92.59%	2.9%	5.37%	2.78%
HOMER	92.0%	91.14%	85.51%	1.3%	5.06%	2.90%
LAKEVIEW	89.1%	91.36%	91.18%	4.8%	3.99%	2.29%
MARSHALL	62.9%	56.74%	53.30%	7.4%	22.65%	26.39%
OLIVET	95.12%	94.44%	96.77%	2.44%	1.85%	0.81%
PENNFIELD	94.1%	94.41%	93.92%	1.3%	3.50%	0.68%
TEKONSHA	85.0%	86.36%	78.95%	5.0%	9.09%	21.05%
UNION CITY	90.9%	93.42%	91.18%	2.6%	2.63%	2.94%

4-YEAR COHORT GRADUATION/DROPOUT RATES BY DISTRICT: SPECIAL POPULATIONS, 2016ⁱ

DISTRICT	Economically Disadvantaged		Homeless	
	Graduation Rate	Dropout Rate	Graduation Rate	Dropout Rate
MICHIGAN	67.10%	14.83%	53.51%	20.12%
ATHENS	93.75%	<5%	75%	<5%
BATTLE CREEK	62.20%	12.80%	55.56%	<5%
BELLEVUE	76.47%	5.88%	66.67%	16.67%
HARPER CREEK	85.96%	<5%	80%	10%
HOMER	75%	<5%	60%	<5%
LAKEVIEW	81%	<5%	88.89%	<5%
MARSHALL	42.86%	32.47%	46.67%	26.67%
OLIVET	>95%	<5%	N/A	N/A
PENNFIELD	86.79%	<5%	66.67%	<5%
TEKONSHA	77.78%	22.22%	>95%	<5%
UNION CITY	88.57%	5.71%	>95%	<5%

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4-YEAR COHORT HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION/DROPOUT RATES BY DISTRICT: GENDER AND RACE, 2016ⁱ

DISTRICT	Gender				Race					
	Male		Female		White		Black		Hispanic (of any Race)	
	Graduate	Dropout	Graduate	Dropout	Graduate	Dropout	Graduate	Dropout	Graduate	Dropout
MICHIGAN	76.04%	10.69%	83.46%	7.04%	83.38%	6.98%	67.36%	14.68%	72.60%	13.72%
ATHENS	79.5%	<5%	85.71%	7.14%	>95%	<5%	>95%	<5%	>95%	<5%
BATTLE CREEK	64.52%	13.55%	74.10%	9.04%	69.15%	14.89%	70.42%	7.75%	79.49%	7.69%
BELLEVUE	70%	10%	>95%	<5%	81.82%	6.06%	>95%	<5%	N/A	N/A
HARPER CREEK	89.47%	<5%	>95%	<5%	94.12%	<5%	50%	<5%	85.71%	<5%
HOMER	83.3%	<5%	87.88%	6.06%	88.71%	<5%	N/A	N/A	75%	<5%
LAKEVIEW	85.03%	<5%	>95%	<5%	92.34%	<5%	88.46%	<5%	81.82%	<5%
MARSHALL	43.44%	31.56%	71.11%	17.04%	59.36%	23.67%	45%	28.33%	21.47%	34.78%
OLIVET	>95%	<5%	>95%	<5%	>95%	<5%	>95%	<5%	>95%	<5%
PENNFIELD	91.55%	<5%	>95%	<5%	94.7%	<5%	>95%	<5%	50%	25%
TEKONSHA	77.78%	22.22%	80%	20%	77.78%	22.22%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
UNION CITY	85%	5%	>95%	<5%	90.77%	<5%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

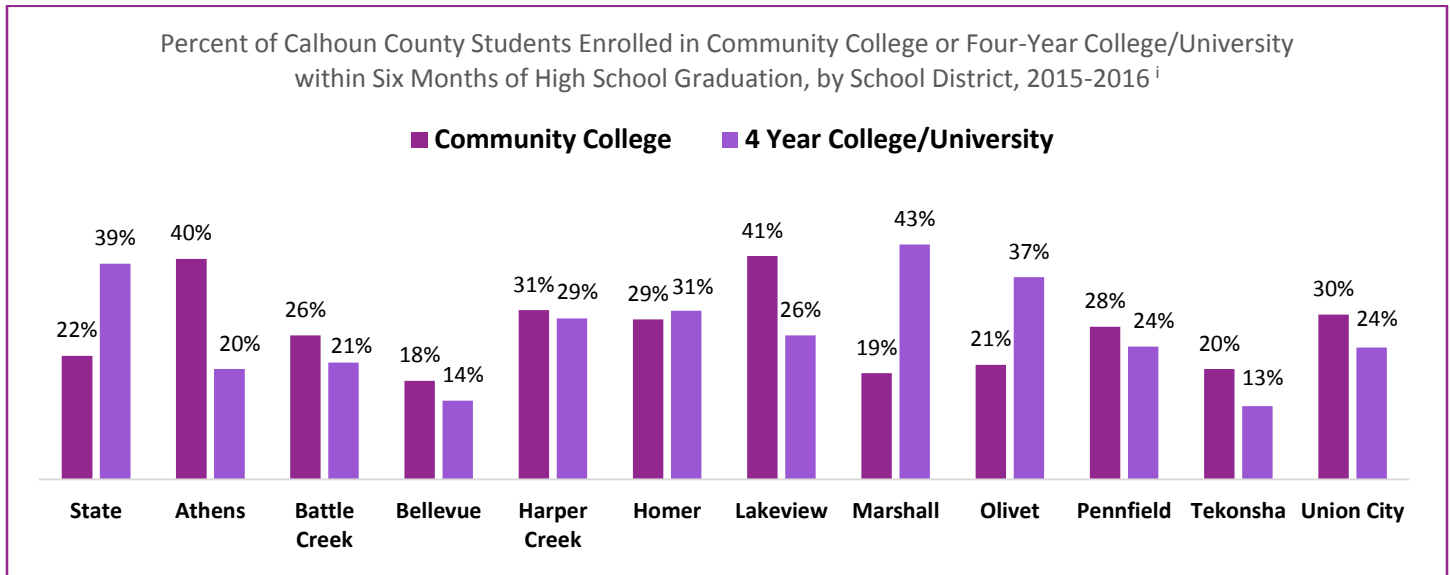
2016 COHORT GRADUATING CLASS: STATUS BY DISTRICTⁱ

DISTRICT	Total Cohort	Total Graduated	Other Completers (GED, etc.)	Off-Track Continuing
MICHIGAN	122,969	97,146	1,248	12,710
ATHENS	36	34	<10	<10
BATTLE CREEK	321	223	<10	61
BELLEVUE	34	28	<10	<10
HARPER CREEK	216	200	<10	<10
HOMER	69	59	<10	<10
LAKEVIEW	306	279	<10	17
MARSHALL	379	202	53	24
OLIVET	124	120	<10	<10
PENNFIELD	148	139	<10	<10
TEKONSHA	19	15	<10	<10
UNION CITY	68	62	<10	<10

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COLLEGE ENROLLMENT: The connections among education, income and health are well-established. Those with a higher level of education who have a higher income experience better health compared to people with lower education and income levels. ⁱⁱ An educated workforce is critical to economic development. A key issue facing any community is the ability to attract, retain and develop a skilled and talented work force. ⁱⁱⁱ



ⁱ Michigan Department of Education, Center for Educational Performance and Improvement, <https://www.mischooldata.org/DistrictSchoolProfiles/PostsecondaryOutcomes/1heEnrollmentByHighSchool2.aspx>, accessed August 23, 2017.

ⁱⁱ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Health, United States 2015.

ⁱⁱⁱ Western Michigan AHEC Data for Assessment 2014, Western Michigan University (unpublished).