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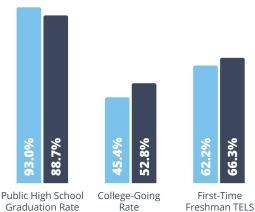


# **2023 Higher Education County Profile**

# **Montgomery County**

## **Community Education Snapshot**





19.2

ACT Scores

Recipient Rate

Note: 2021 Public High School Graduation Rate and 2021 Average ACT Scores provided by <u>TDOE</u>, 2021 College-Going Rate and TELS Recipient Rate for Fall 2021 provided by <u>THEC</u>.

Education Attainment Rate (age 25-64)	County	TN
Adults with HS+	94.5%	89.9%
Adults with Some College, No Degree	26.7%	21.0%
Adults with Associate or higher	41.7%	38.0%
Adults with Bachelor's or higher	30.1%	29.8%

Socioeconomic Profile	County	TN
Share of Population in Poverty	12.3%	14.6%
Unemployment Rate	6.0%	5.3%
Population Ages 25-64	108,301	3,542,283
Rate of Population Growth (2020-2022)	4.0%	1.7%
Population Projections (2022-2032)	19.0%	7.2%
Median Household Income	\$60,878	\$54,833

69.6%

filed the FAFSA in 2021-22 as compared to **77.9%** overall in Tennessee.

Note: Overall filing rate for the 2021-22 FAFSA.

45.4%

of the class of 2021 in the county enrolled in college immediately following high school, compared to **47.9%** of the class of 2016.

109

additional students must enroll in college to increase the college-going rate by **5 percentage points**.

3

designated VETS Campuses serve the county: Austin Peay State University, Nashville State Community College, TCAT Dickson

42.5

financial aid outreach hours spent in 2021-22 with **651** attendees. An additional 25 hours were invested statewide serving an additional 1,733 Tennesseans.

## Top Colleges Selected by 2021 High School Graduates

- 1. Austin Peay State University 417
- 2. Nashville State Community College 86
- 3. UT Knoxville 84
- 4. Middle Tennessee State University, UT Chattanooga 38
- 5. TCAT Dickson 29



#### Top 5 In-Demand Occupations by Highest Median Earnings and Local Workforce Development Area (LWDA)

- 1. Veterinarians
- 2. Physician Assistants
- 3. Training and Development Managers
- 4. Electrical Engineers
- 5. Computer Programmers

Note: 2022 Top Occupations are identified annually in the <u>THEC Supply and Demand Report</u>, using data provided by TN Department of Labor and Workforce Development and TN Department of Economic and Community Development. This list represents top five occupations ordered by median mid-career wage. Additional in-demand occupations in the LWDA can be found on THEC's website. For more information on these careers, see <u>O\*NET Code Connector</u>.

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# Tennessee Student Assistance Award

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15,774 FAFSAs Filed

**2,969**Awards

\$4,567,310

Awarded

The TSAA is a state-funded grant program. This scholarship provides non-repayable need-based financial assistance to undergraduate students who are residents of Tennessee. TSAA Awardees must be enrolled or accepted for enrollment, at least part-time, at a public or an eligible non-public postsecondary institution in Tennessee and have an Expected Family Contribution below the eligibility threshold.

Total awarded during 2021-22 academic year.





Scholarship

**HOPE Scholarship** 

**HOPE** with GAMS

**HOPE** with Aspire

**Dual Enrollment Grant** 

**HOPE Foster Care Grant** 

**Total Amount Awarded** 

Non-Traditional Student Scholarship

Wilder-Naifeh Technical Skills Grant

Access Award

**Tennessee Education Lottery** 

**Scholarship Recipients** 



Recipients

1,221

199

504

<10

816

<10

14

331

\$10,608,208

1,718

**Promise** 

public high school seniors applied for Tennessee Promise in the 2020-21 school year. **22.4%** of those applicants enrolled as part of the Tennessee Promise program in the 2021-22 school year.



grant applications for Tennessee Reconnect were received for the 2021-22 school year. A total of **200** Reconnectors were served by Tennessee Reconnect Communities.

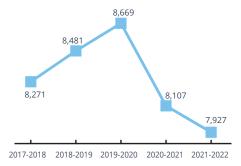
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schools participated in Path to College, which provides resources and information to students, building a collegegoing culture in their schools.

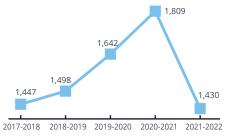
#### **560**

high school seniors in the 2020-21 school year received a Dual Enrollment Grant at a public college or university. **63.4%** of those students enrolled in public postsecondary in the 2021-22 school year.

## Undergraduate Enrollment



# Undergraduate Degree Completion



These graphs represent TCATs, public community colleges, and universities.

# **Grant Programs in Montgomery County**

**Advise Tennessee - Kenwood High School and Northwest High School - 1,224 Students Served** Advise TN is a college advising and capacity building program that aims to increase the number of Tennesseans accessing higher education by partnering with high schools and providing college advising services to juniors and seniors across Tennessee.

**SPARC Grants - \$95,158** Supporting Postsecondary Access in Rural Communities (SPARC) grants provide funds for K-12 Career and Technical Education Departments to align program offerings to industry needs and postsecondary education, increase early postsecondary opportunities, and increase work-based learning opportunities.

Veterans Reconnect Grant - Austin Peay State University - \$100,000 - 3,227 Students Served The FY 2022 competitive Veteran Reconnect Grant awarded Austin Peay State University the opportunity to host a Veteran Reconnect Summit. The Summit was intended to build upon the network and resources of those involved in student veteran and military family programming. More opportunities to fund veteran education conferences are currently being planned.

Veterans Reconnect Grant - Austin Peay State University - \$200,000 - 3,227 Students Served Veterans Reconnect Grant - TCAT Dickson (Clarksville Campus) - \$200,000 The FY 2023-25 competitive Veteran Reconnect Grant allowed institutions to propose research measures supporting Student Veterans and military families in higher education. Research can include analyzing peer mentor programs or tutoring services, veterans resource centers, and the transition out of the military life onto campus.

Veterans Reconnect Grant - Nashville State Community College - \$30,000 - 537 Students Served The FY 2021-23 competitive Veteran Reconnect Grant gave all Tennessee Board of Regent institutions the capability to provide Student Veterans and military family members a one-time Military Transition Grant of up to \$300. The micro-grant will assist those students with a financial need in hopes that they persist in their academic studies. More opportunities to fund veteran education initiatives are currently being planned.