

2025

HIGHER EDUCATION IMPACT

DISTRICT 8



Sen. Bryan Logan
R-Paden

INSTITUTIONS REPRESENTED

- ▶ Connors State College
- ▶ Eastern Oklahoma State College
- ▶ Northeastern State University
- ▶ Oklahoma State University Institute of Technology
- ▶ Seminole State College

COUNTIES REPRESENTED

- ▶ Creek
- ▶ McIntosh
- ▶ Muskogee
- ▶ Okfuskee
- ▶ Okmulgee

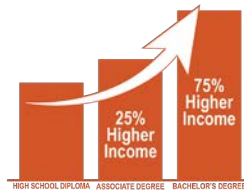
HIGHER EDUCATION IN OKLAHOMA



Nearly 200,000 students
enrolled annually



Over 38,000 degrees and
certificates awarded at all
levels in the last academic
year, and an increase of **more
than 6%** over the last decade



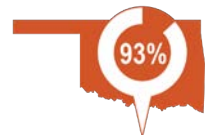
Associate and bachelor's degree holders
earn a median income **25% and 75%
higher, respectively**, than those with only
a high school diploma.



Data from the National Center for
Education Statistics show the cost of
attendance at Oklahoma universities is
among the lowest in the nation.



Over the last decade, STEM degrees
increased 22% at all levels.



Our students learn here, earn here —
over 93% of Oklahomans who graduate
from a state system college or university
remain and work in the state one year
after graduation.



Only **28.5%** of Oklahoma citizens hold
a bachelor's degree or higher. The
national average is nearly 36%, and of our
surrounding states — including Arkansas,
New Mexico, Missouri, Texas, Kansas and
Colorado — only Arkansas has a lower
percentage of citizens with a bachelor's
degree or higher.



Of Oklahoma's 100 critical occupations,
the **top 22** highest-paying jobs require an
associate degree or higher, and eight of
the **top 10** fastest-growing jobs require a
college degree.



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BY THE NUMBERS

Enrollment

- ▶ During the 2023-24 academic year, 17,315 students enrolled at institutions in or adjacent to District 8.

Graduation

- ▶ During the 2023-24 academic year, 3,475 students graduated from institutions in or adjacent to District 8.

Oklahoma's Promise

- ▶ In District 8, 354 students from the 2024 high school graduating class qualified for the Oklahoma's Promise scholarship.
- ▶ Currently, 882 high school students in District 8 are enrolled in Oklahoma's Promise.
- ▶ Since inception in 1992, 7,331 high school students from District 8 have received the Oklahoma's Promise scholarship.
- ▶ During the 2023-24 academic year, over 1,300 students at public higher education institutions in or adjacent to District 8 received approximately \$6.2 million in scholarships from Oklahoma's Promise.

Concurrent Enrollment

- ▶ During the 2023-24 academic year, 2,058 students enrolled in 19,399 credit hours through concurrent courses at institutions in or adjacent to District 8.