ELEVATING
STUDENT
VOICE IN
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Student Panel



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# Kentucky's Adult Comebacker Convening

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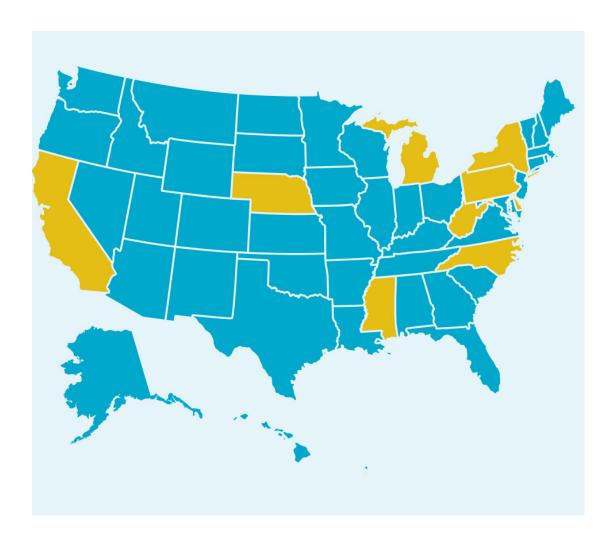
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## **Goal 2025**

Increase the proportion of individuals with high-quality postsecondary credentials to 60 percent by the year 2025.

### Statewide Attainment Goals

**43 States** 



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**America's Progress** 

**Goal-Exploration Tool** 

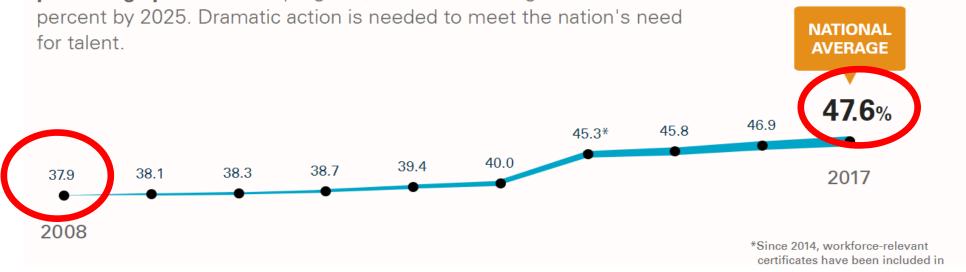
Nation

States

**Metro Areas** 

#### A steady climb

Lumina tracks the post-high school educational attainment of Americans ages 25-64. Since 2008, that figure has increased by **10 percentage points.** That's progress, but it's not enough to reach 60 percent by 2025. Dramatic action is needed to meet the nation's need for talent.



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30.8

#### **Kentucky's progress**

30.4

30.0

To reach state goals, the state will not only have to maintain current rates of attainment but also significantly increase the number of people who enroll in programs and earn all types of credentials beyond high school. With the inclusion of workforce certificates (beginning in 2014), **Kentucky's overall rate of educational attainment has increased by 16.3 percentage points since 2008.** 

31.7



42.5\*

32.9

STATE AVERAGE

# Who are Today's Students

24% are parents

31% from families at or below Federal Poverty Guidelines

37% older than 25 years old

40% work full-time

49% are financially independent

45% are students of color

# Some College, No Degree (2014-2018)

36 million – nationally

557, 533 - Kentucky

## Some College, No Degree – 557, 533

557, 533 43,007 – re-enrolled in KY 10,762 - completed

# **PANELISTS**



Jill Angelle



Michael Dames



Brandon Weathers



Crystal White