

The Future is Now

Kentucky's 2003 high school graduates face a dichotomy. They are encouraged to reflect on their years in elementary and secondary school with nostalgia and appreciation. They also are urged to think of what lies ahead as they move toward adulthood.

The world – and life – move more quickly now than ever before for young people. By the time the graduating class of 2003 reaches the ceremony of cap and gown, they've most likely planned the next few years of their lives.

That planning process is crucial to the success of college-bound students. Whether it's taking Advanced Placement courses to get a head start on college credit or applying early for financial aid, Kentucky's high school students are building their futures in the here and now.

With the preparation of elementary and secondary schools and the promise of excellence in the state's colleges and universities, Kentucky's graduates are ready for whatever the future may hold. My congratulations go to them for completing one phase of their education, and my best wishes to them as they mold their futures.



Sincerely,
Gene Wilhoit
Kentucky Commissioner of Education

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