

State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education

SC Technical College System

FY 2023-24 Budget Hearing

SC Technical College System Attendees

- Dr. Tim Hardee, System President
- Dr. Amy Firestone, Vice President for Apprenticeship Carolina
- Randy Johnson, Vice President for Finance
- Dr. Greg Little, Vice President for Strategic Partnerships and Innovation
- Brad Neese, Vice President for Economic Development
- A.J. Newton, Vice President for Governmental Relations
- Kandy Peacock, Vice President for Human Resources
- Kelly Steinhilper, Vice President for Communications
- Dr. Rosline Sumpter, Vice President for Academics, Student Affairs & Research

SC Technical College System: Agency Information



SOUTH CAROLINA'S LARGEST HIGHER EDUCATION SECTOR

Each year the System educates and trains over 130,000 South Carolinians through our credit programs (96,404) and continuing education programs (34,469).



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GEOGRAPHICALLY ACCESSIBLE ACROSS THE STATE

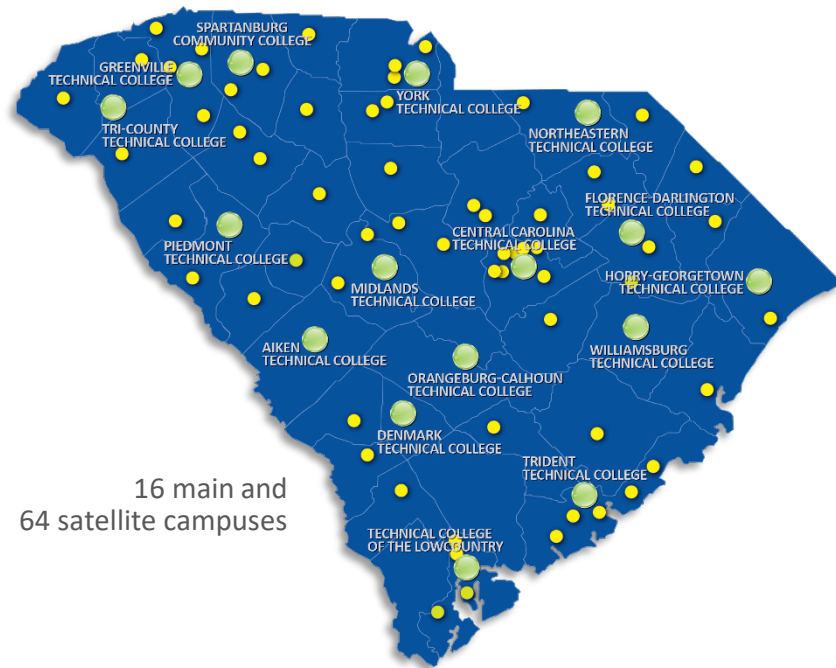
Our colleges are strategically located across the state with nearly every South Carolinian within a 30-minute drive of one of our 16 main campuses or 64 satellite campuses.



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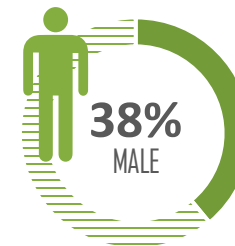
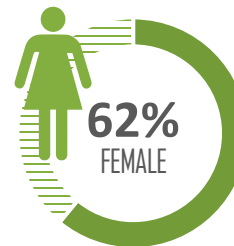
FLEXIBILITY THROUGH BREADTH AND DEPTH OF PROGRAMS

Our colleges offer a variety of programs in South Carolina's high-demand, high-paying fields, including 78 degrees, 28 diplomas and nearly 1,000 certificate programs.

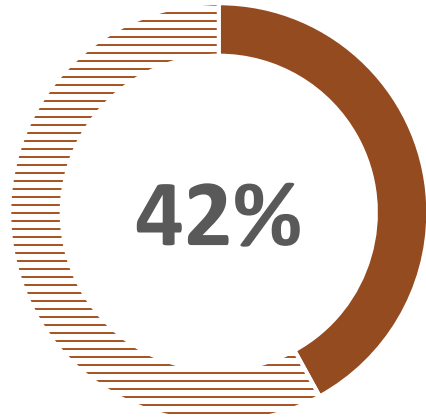


REFLECT THE COMMUNITIES WE SERVE

Our colleges provide one of the most accurate pictures of a community in terms of its population, its demographic makeup and its business and industry focus.

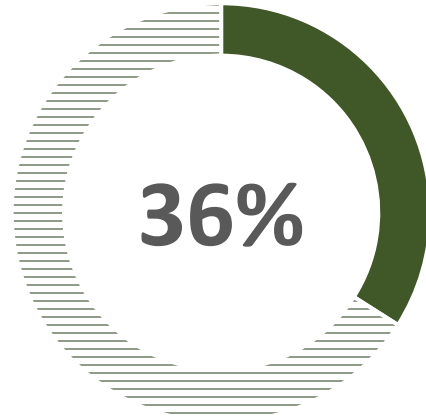


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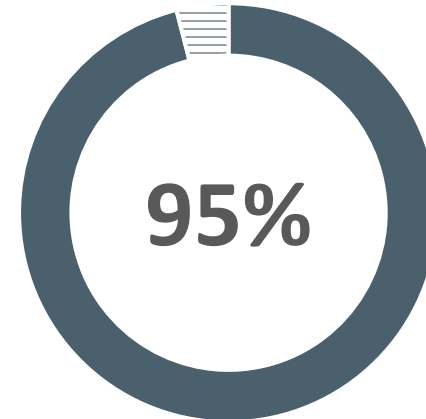
ACCESSIBLE

42% of all South Carolinians enrolled as undergraduates in South Carolina's public higher education attends one of our 16 colleges.



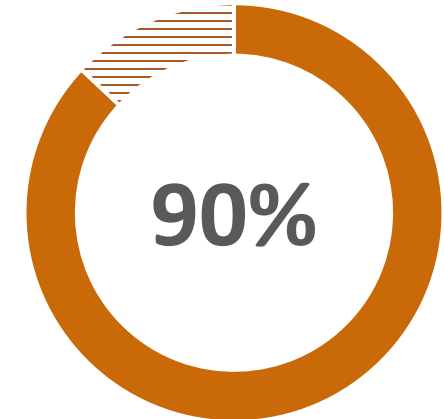
AFFORDABLE

Average annual tuition at one of our colleges is 36% of the average annual tuition at a four-year institution. Our colleges remain South Carolina's most affordable path to a quality higher education.



TARGETED

95% of our students are South Carolina residents. Nearly all our students are citizens of the state and choose to live and work in South Carolina after completing their education.



RELEVANT

90% of our graduates are placed in a job related to their field of study or are continuing their studies and furthering their education.

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readySC™ provides customized recruiting and training to qualifying companies locating to or expanding in South Carolina.

In order to qualify companies must be producing new, permanent, full-time, direct hire positions with competitive wages and benefits

BY THE NUMBERS

- Nearly 5,755 trained last fiscal year
- 115 companies served
- Over 313,000 trained since 1961
- 50% African-American; 38% Caucasian; 12% Other
- 37% Female; 63% Male
- 37 Average Age
- 12.7 Average Education



Apprenticeship Carolina™ works to increase the awareness and use of registered apprenticeship as an essential workforce development tool.

The program makes certain all employers in South Carolina have access to information and consultative services, at no charge, regarding sponsorship of a demand-driven registered apprenticeship program.

BY THE NUMBERS

- 914 companies participating across the state with a registered program
- 42,624 total apprentices since inception in 2007
- 1 in 3 companies registers more than one occupation
- Nearly 279 youth apprenticeship programs

SC Technical College System: Highlights



GEER FUNDS provide scholarships for high-demand, short-term workforce training programs provided by the technical colleges across the state. As of July 2022, nearly 6,200 students received scholarships



SC WINS and Workforce Scholarships & Grants provide statewide scholarships designed to address workforce shortages in key high-demand industries. These scholarships and grants have afforded no-cost tuition opportunities for our students across the state.



GED by 2023 is a collaborative effort with the SC Department of Education whereby GED completers from 2021-2023 will have technical college tuition and fees for credit and non-credit training programs covered through a federal grant.



SC Hospital Association and the SC Technical College System are partnering on various initiatives to address critical healthcare workforce shortages across the state.

Budget Requests

RECURRING REQUEST

Base funding for the local colleges \$23.2M

NON-RECURRING REQUEST

Lottery Tuition Assistance (LTAP) \$51.1M

Continue SC WINS scholarship \$17.0M

Continue Workforce Scholarships and Grants funding \$78.0M

Equipment for high-demand jobs skills training \$20.0M

Continue funding for readySC™ to deliver on commitments made by the state \$2.0M

AUTHORIZATION TO SPEND FUNDS

Boeing training contract \$4.975M

CAPITAL

Individual college initiatives \$313.647M

COVID-19 Expenditures

Federal funds received	\$374,493,704
Federal funds disbursed	\$317,092,966
Purpose of expenditure	Emergency grants and financial aid to students; college response to COVID-19 mitigation efforts and response to disruption of instruction due to COVID-19 such as personnel, technology, personal protective equipment, utilities, and other services
Plan for remaining balances	Student financial aid, personnel costs, technology needs and HVAC upgrades

Cost Savings Plans

1% reduction	\$1,882,546 (approximately 28 FTEs)
2% reduction	\$3,765,092 (approximately 56 FTEs)
3% reduction	\$5,647,639 (approximately 84 FTEs)

PRIMARY IMPACTS

- FTE Reduction – The potential loss of faculty and staff would be devastating to the System. As the economy slows, technical college enrollment typically increases requiring an even greater need for state funding to operate.
- Limited Program Offerings – All colleges reported that Academic Instructional programs would be affected by reduction. Additionally, many non-credit continuing education/training programs could be reduced.
- Scaled Workforce Development Initiatives – The potential loss of funding would restrict the System’s ability to fully fund and resource all workforce development initiatives. As a result, the number as well as the reach of the initiatives could be reduced.