

# 2015 2016 YEAR IN REVIEW

## AT&T PROVIDES SUPPORT FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM

AT&T recently made a generous \$5,000 donation to the Piedmont Technical College Foundation to help support the dual enrollment program at Strom Thurmond High School.

The contribution will provide 10 \$500 scholarships

to students at Strom Thurmond who wish to enroll in the dual enrollment program.

As part of the check presentation, the Piedmont Technical College Foundation presented a proclamation of recognition and appreciation to Senator Shane Massey, who represents Aiken, Edgefield, McCormick and Saluda counties. The proclamation named Massey a "Distinguished Advocate for Education" in South Carolina and expressed appreciation for his outstanding leadership and dedication to education in Edgefield County and across the state.

"I think it's great for students, especially in rural areas, to have these additional educational opportunities to help prepare them for higher education and for careers in the workforce," said Massey. "I really appreciate AT&T doing this and I appreciate the partnership between Strom Thurmond and Piedmont Tech to give these students the opportunities they wouldn't have otherwise."

Currently, 42 students are participating in the traditional dual enrollment program.

Students who take six credit hours or more and who qualify for Lottery Tuition Assistance (LTA) are able to take dual enrollment classes at the high school with no tuition costs, but students are still responsible for purchasing their books.

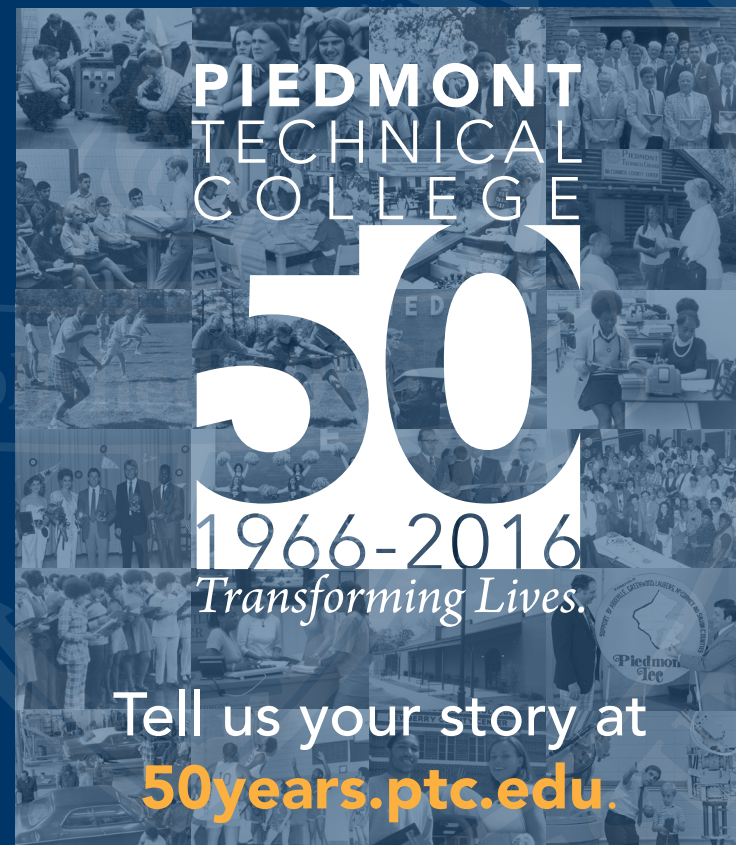
## \$900,000 FEDERAL GRANT AWARDED TO EXPAND APPRENTICESHIP IN SOUTH CAROLINA

The U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration (DOLETA) awarded the SC Technical

College System a \$900,000 grant to increase and diversify apprenticeship in the state. This grant is part of the ApprenticeshipUSA State Expansion Grant and represents the first time that the federal government will provide funding to support states in their efforts to expand and diversify registered apprenticeship to better respond to industry workforce demands.

USDOLETA's goals for the grant are threefold: 1) help states advance registered apprenticeship as a workforce development strategy and post secondary education career pathway; 2) support integrated, statewide apprenticeship strategies and meet the demand for new programs in both traditional and nontraditional industries; and 3) catalyze state innovations to significantly increase apprenticeships for all American workers, particularly low-income individuals and underrepresented populations.

The SC Technical College System's grant - SC Apprenticeship Initiative Expansion - is designed to expand youth and pre-apprenticeship opportunities, continue return on investment study to include all industries, promote STEM Premier and SC Future Makers and increase availability for dual enrollment programs.



# EDGEFIELD COUNTY

## 2015-2016 academic year



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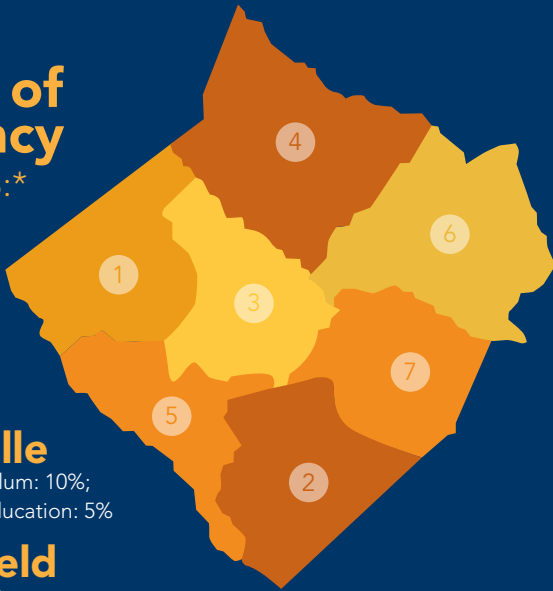
# ENROLLMENT OVERVIEW



## RETURN ON INVESTMENT

In the last full academic year, Piedmont Technical College enrolled **7,144** students in **111,238** credit hours.

### county of residency STATISTICS:\*



- 1 abbeville**  
Credit Curriculum: 10%; Continuing Education: 5%
- 2 edgefield**  
Credit Curriculum: 4%; Continuing Education: 2%
- 3 greenwood**  
Credit Curriculum: 31%; Continuing Education: 33%
- 4 laurens**  
Credit Curriculum: 15%; Continuing Education: 15%
- 5 mccormick**  
Credit Curriculum: 3%; Continuing Education: 2%
- 6 newberry**  
Credit Curriculum: 13%; Continuing Education: 23%
- 7 saluda**  
Credit Curriculum: 5%; Continuing Education: 2%
- 8 out of area/state**  
Credit Curriculum: 18%; Continuing Education: 19%

### Edgefield County Annual Snapshot

Credit Enrollment: **276**  
Economic Development and Continuing Education Training: **260**  
Dual Enrollment: **74**

\*Based on fall 2015 enrollment data

# CREDIT PROGRAMS OFFERED IN EDGEFIELD COUNTY:

In addition to the credit curriculum programs below, which are offered in Edgefield County, 80+ credit programs are available through a combination of campus-based, online and distance learning options. All of these programs can be started at the Edgefield County Campus.

### University Transfer and Bridge Programs

- Associate in Arts
- Associate in Science
- College of Charleston Collaboration
- Columbia College Bridge Program
- Erskine College Bridge Agreement
- Lander University Bridge Program
- Newberry College Bridge Program

- University of South Carolina Bridge Program
- USC Aiken Bridge Program
- USC Upstate Bridge Program

### Business and Information Technology

- Accounting
- Administrative Office Technology
- Business Management
- Entrepreneurship

- Medical Coding and Billing
- Office Management
- Office Technician

### Public Service

- Criminal Justice

### Health Science

- Human Services

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

In addition to the credit curriculum programs, Piedmont Technical College offers a wide variety of on-demand training options to businesses and organizations in Edgefield County through our Economic Development and Continuing Education Division. We offered the following types of classes to organizations in Edgefield County this year:

### COMPANIES WE'VE WORKED WITH THIS YEAR:

- Lydall/Southern Felt Company Inc
- Edgefield County Adult Education
- Edgefield County Career Center

### TYPES OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT TRAINING OFFERED:

- Maintenance and Light Repair
- Braking Systems
- Job Skills
- Gap Analysis

## Apprenticeships

Today, apprenticeship programs can be found in such industries as advanced manufacturing, information technology, energy, tourism, transportation and logistics as well as health care, just to name a few. Apprenticeship programs are administered through a partnership between Piedmont Technical College, Apprenticeship Carolina, and local business and industry.

### REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIPS:

#### Edgefield Federal Correctional Institution

- Automobile Mechanic
- Cook (Hotel Restaurant)
- Electrical Appliance Service
- Electrician
- HVAC Installer, Service
- Quality Control Technician

#### Palmetto Unified School District

- Bricklayer
- Carpenter
- Welder

**graduate OUTCOMES:** Associate Degrees: **13**  
Diplomas: **3**  
Certificates: **5**

**graduate PLACEMENT:** **21** Graduates  
**88%** placement  
**67%** employed in a related field or continuing their education\*

### employment AREAS:

Here are a few examples of where our graduates found employment:

- Registered Nurse, Edgefield Health Care Center
- Licensed Practical Nurse, McCormick LLC
- Technician, Gary Russ Chevrolet
- Administrative Assistant, Amick Farms
- Pharmacy Technician, Walmart

### transfer OUTCOMES:

Total Transferable Credits Earned: **1,193**

Students who started their coursework at PTC and transferred to a four-year institution: **20**

Estimated cost savings for families in Edgefield County: **\$351,338\*\***

### Top destination schools for PTC students include:

- Lander University
- Clemson University
- University of South Carolina
- The Citadel
- Newberry College

\*Placement rate is based on job and continued education placement for PTC graduates. \*\*Based on the average cost per credit hour in S.C.'s public colleges and universities, vs. PTC's cost per credit hour in Edgefield County.