# **LAURENS COUNTY 2021-2022** PIEDMONT TECHNICAL COLLEGE **ANNUAL REPORT**



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## ENROLLMENT **OVERVIEW**

In the last full academic year, Piedmont Technical College enrolled 6,668 students in 104,039 credit hours.

#### county of residency STATISTICS:\*

abbeville Credit Curriculum: 8%; Continuing Education: 7%

edgefield Credit Curriculum: 4%; Continuing Education: 3%

greenwood Credit Curriculum: 31%; Continuing Education: 47%

laurens Credit Curriculum: 15%; Continuing Education: 14%

mccormick Credit Curriculum: 2%; Continuing Education: 1%

#### newberry

Credit Curriculum: 12%; Continuing Education: 4%

saluda Credit Curriculum: 6%; Continuing Education: 1%

out of area/state Credit Curriculum: 22%; Continuing Education: 23%

#### Laurens County Annual Snapshot

Credit Enrollment: 970\* Workforce Innovation Training: 178 Dual Enrollment: 119

\*Total credit enrollment includes technical education, dual enrollment and transient student data.

## CAPITAL INVESTMENT

## RETURN ON INVESTMENT

Graduate

Associate Degrees: 86 **Outcomes** Diplomas: 18 Certificates: 152

Graduate Placement

94% placement\*

#### **Employment Outcomes**

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

- Manufacturing Supervisor, Ascend Performance Materials
- Manager, Ballentine Motors
- Registered Nurse, Hospice & Palliative Care of the Piedmont
- Administrative Specialist, SC Department of Mental Health
- Radiologic Technologist, Doctors Care

#### **Transfer Outcomes**

Total transferable credits earned: 3,339

Students who started their coursework at PTC and transferred to a four-year institution: 49

Estimated cost savings for families in Laurens County: **\$1,125,243**\*\*

#### **Top destination schools for PTC** students include:

- Lander University
- University of South Carolina
- Clemson University
- Anderson University
- Newberry College
- College of Charleston

\*Placement rate is based on job and continued education placement for PTC graduates. \*\*Based on the Fall 2022 average cost per credit hour for S.C.'s four-year public colleges and universities, vs. PTC's average, in service area cost per credit hour.

### **CREDIT PROGRAMS OFFERED** IN LAURENS COUNTY:

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

#### Advanced Manufacturing

- Electrical Maintenance Technician
- Manufacturing Production Technician
- Mechatronics Technology
- Precision Metrology
- Welding

#### Healthcare

- Practical Nursing
- Emergency Medical Technician
- Healthcare Certificate

#### Business and Information Technology

- Business Administration
- Office Management
- Office Technician
- PC Technician

#### **Public Service**

- Criminal Justice
- Early Childhood Development
- Infant/Toddler Care

#### University Transfer and Bridge Programs

- Associate in Arts
- Associate in Science
- College of Charleston Collaboration
- Columbia College Bridge Program
- Lander University Bearcat Bound Bridge Program
- Newberry College Bridge Program
- University of South Carolina Bridge Program
- USC Aiken Bridge Program
- USC Upstate Bridge Program

## WORKFORCE INNOVATION

In addition to credit curriculum programs, Piedmont Technical College offers a wide variety of on-demand training options to businesses and organizations in Laurens County through our Workforce Innovation Division. This year we offered classes in areas such as occupational upgrading, occupational support, accelerated technical training and personal enrichment.

## Training Impact for Businesses in Laurens County:

- Courses Offered: 31
- Students Enrolled: 333
- Contact Hours: 13,571

#### **APPRENTICESHIPS**

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

## Laurens County companies with registered apprenticeships:

- CCL Label Inc.
- Milliken & Company Gilliland Plant
- Norbord
- ZF Transmissions

#### **Companies We've Worked With This Year:**

- CCL Label Fukoku
- Fibertex Milliken
- READYSC<sup>™</sup> PROGRAM:

Established in 1961, readySC<sup>™</sup> is one of the oldest and most experienced workforce training programs in the United States, and is a division of the South Carolina Technical College System. readySC<sup>™</sup> works together with the 16 technical colleges to prepare South Carolina's workforce to meet the needs of companies in your region. See how readySC<sup>™</sup> can assist businesses in your area at www.readysc.org.

### A LOOK BACK AT 2022

For the first time since 2015, enrollment at Piedmont Technical College has surpassed 5,200 students. It's a milestone manifested by a committed faculty and staff who truly slayed the grindstone to bring our numbers up where other colleges saw pandemic-related declines.

Furthermore, our enrollment for the fall term 2022 was 17% above last year. Without question, the no-cost tuition option, which we have offered for three semesters now, has been a powerful factor. But students won't enroll — even for free — unless they have confidence in their decision.

This past year, with critical support from the PTC Foundation and significant funding action by our state legislators, we secured resources to renovate and expand PTC's healthcare education facilities. Every year, we confer more than 350 degrees to graduates in healthcare professions. That number is certain to grow.

Another boon is happening in Edgefield County, where essential funding has been secured to help construct a new PTC advanced manufacturing center that will be a technological showplace and provide training space for our industry partners. In addition, PTC will revamp existing space to provide a needed conference center that includes an exhibit hall, a ballroom, and breakout spaces.

Year after year, we tell our students to "expect more" at PTC, and year after year, we are able to deliver.

Working together, we are truly stronger. Working together, we are growing. And working together, we are changing lives and communities.

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Dr. Hope E. Rivers President, Piedmont Technical College







# WE STAND BEHIND OUR GRADUATES – GUARANTEED.

#### WE GUARANTEE RELEVANT, QUALITY TRAINING THROUGH OUR TECHNICAL PROGRAMS

The Piedmont Technical College Job-Ready Guarantee demonstrates the college's long-standing commitment to providing students in technical programs with the right training for today's jobs. Through the guarantee, PTC students can be confident that they are entering the workforce with the right skill set. The program also shows employers that our graduates have the necessary training to succeed in the job, from day one.



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Good for one year immediately after a student's graduation date, the Job-Ready Guarantee covers retraining at no cost to the graduate or employer.



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