Welcome to Piedmont Community College! We’re delighted that you have decided to attend our college and avail yourself of the excellent educational opportunities that our community college provides!

At PCC, we believe in partnerships, and none are more important than the partnerships we make with you and other students to help you meet your educational goals. We do this through partnerships with local governments, the public school systems, and community agencies of both Person and Caswell counties.

An example would be our partnership with the Person County Government that has resulted in the creation of the Kirby Cultural Arts Complex encompassing the Kirby Theater, Kirby Gallery, and Kirby Learning Studios in uptown Roxboro. This complex provides a hub for the arts and will provide cultural arts opportunities for the community, as well as allow the College to offer arts education classes in its Associate in Fine Arts Program. Another example would be our partnership with the Caswell County Government to make use of a facility to house law enforcement training in Caswell County.

Partnerships with public schools provide high school students with outstanding options for higher education through such programs as the new Career and College Promise initiative. This new initiative will provide high school students more direct pathways of study that will allow a higher percentage of college coursework to transfer to postsecondary institutions upon high school graduation.

Our partnerships with our students mean that you can have a quality education that offers programs for today’s jobs in fields such as sustainability, biotechnology, health care technology, medical coding and more!

PCC is committed to serving you, and in turn, we hope you will want to partner with the College. Being involved in the PCC Foundation and Alumni Partnership allows you to give back to the College and provide opportunities for future students. This makes our partnership come full circle!

Sincerely,

Dr. Walter C. Bartlett
President

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History

In 1970, progressive minded citizens in Person County recognized the need for a local institution to offer job training and educational opportunities for high school graduates and other adults. Person County Technical Institute began with the appointment of a Board of Trustees, operating under the North Carolina State Board of Education and the Department of Community Colleges.

The Institute began operation on July 1, 1970, with the first full-time students enrolling on September 23, 1970. During the general election of November 1970, the citizens of Person County approved a referendum authorizing local financial support and endorsing a charter to be issued to Person Technical Institute.

Name Changes

January 1988: Piedmont Technical College name changed to Piedmont Community College.

Campus Growth

July 1974: The Board of Trustees requested that the County Commissioners authorize a $2.5 million bond issue. The voters of Person County showed overwhelming support for the bond issue in November 1974. The Person County Campus facilities were built, and the institution moved to its permanent campus in November 1977. The campus was formally dedicated on June 4, 1978.

Effective July 1, 1985, Piedmont Technical College was designated by the North Carolina General Assembly as the primary service provider for Caswell County. The initial building on the Caswell County Campus was constructed on property provided by the Caswell County Board of Commissioners after funds were allocated through special appropriations from the North Carolina General Assembly.

November 1993: A positive vote of the citizens of North Carolina resulted in additions to both campuses that were approved for construction by the Board of Trustees from 1995-1997. The Adult Learning Center addition to the Caswell County Campus, occupied in 1997, nearly doubled the size of the Caswell County Campus facilities. The new Classroom/Faculty Office Building on the Person County Campus opened in 1998.

Summer 2000: The Student Success Center (renamed the Academic Success Center in fall 2009) began providing educational support services to students in addition to providing access to computers and the Internet.

October 2000: The Science Lab Initiative, led by the PCC Foundation, resulted in the renovation of science labs on the Person County Campus, equipping the labs with modern equipment and technology.

November 2000: North Carolina citizens approved a $3.1 billion Higher Education Bond, providing $600 million to colleges in the North Carolina Community College System for new construction and for repair and renovation of existing facilities.

2005-2010: Resulting facility improvements on the Person County Campus included the renovation of the gymnasium to house the Learning Resources Center and Distance Education in 2005. In 2006, the former location of the Learning Resources Center was renovated to house Student Development services in one location, as well as to provide office space for two Continuing Education programs, Human Resources Development, and Adult Basic Skills. The Student Center was remodeled to include a new entrance, additional restrooms, and other upgrades. On the Caswell County Campus, an additional classroom building was constructed in 2006 with special facilities to accommodate two of the College’s signature programs, Film and Video Production Technology and Digital Effects and Animation Technology.

In 2009, the Technical Education Building was constructed on the Person County Campus.
Other Milestones

- The Piedmont Technical Institute Foundation (now known as the Piedmont Community College Foundation) was organized in December 1978 to support the students, faculty, and staff of the College through private solicitation of financial support.
- The College opened a business incubator at its Small Business Center in uptown Roxboro in 1994 to assist new businesses in getting started. The Center now operates as the Business Development and Entrepreneurship Center.
- Piedmont Community College, along with all community colleges in the state, converted from the quarter system to the semester system of instruction in the fall of 1997.
- The PCC Alumni Partnership was organized in 2004 to engage alumni in ongoing support of the College.
- The College was designated multi-campus status in May 2005, which increased the resources available to the Caswell County Campus.
- A model of cooperation has been developed among the College, the Person and Caswell County Boards of Education, and the Person and Caswell County Boards of Commissioners. This model enhances the capability of the College to provide post-secondary education, and job training opportunities to new and expanding industries in Person and Caswell Counties.

Presidents

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Mission, Vision and Values

Our Mission
Piedmont Community College enriches lives by providing lifelong learning, educational and training programs for today’s global workforce, and cultural opportunities for Person and Caswell Counties.

Our Vision
Piedmont Community College strives to be the leading contributor to the economic, educational and cultural success of our community

Our Values
The College accomplishes its Mission as it embraces the following values:

Learning/Teaching
The College enables creative teachers, through critical thought, not only to teach the learner but also to learn from the learner.

Economic Development
The College acts as a catalyst by providing leadership and state-of-the-art education and training for economic and workforce development.

Accessibility
The College provides affordable and accessible education and training.

Diversity/Globalism
The College builds understanding and appreciation of diverse cultures and helps students understand their roles as global citizens.

Ethics
The College values the principles of personal ethics, integrity, academic honesty, civic responsibility, and accountability.

Resources
The College provides lifelong learning, cultural opportunities, youth outreach, civic service, and public spaces.

Service
The College serves the community by supporting its needs and goals.