

DARLINGTON COUNTY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

“Leaping for Success”

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Mission Statement: The mission of the Darlington County Institute of Technology is to create an environment that will provide opportunities for our students to develop the foundation necessary to reach their potential and become productive citizens.

Vision: Darlington County Institute of Technology will be a recognized source of excellence in career and technical education.



Report to the Parents

2015-2016

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This report is provided to parents in compliance with the Education Finance Act (EFA) of 1977, the Education Improvement Act (EIA) of 1984, and the Elementary and Secondary Academic Act (ACT 135) of 1993. It presents information about school accomplishments during the 2015-2016 school year and updates on the 2014-2015 goals. The School Improvement Council reviews our goals and achievements and reports progress to our school family and community.

**SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL MEMBERS
2015-2016**

Ex-Officio Member	Bert Guerry, Director
SIC Chairperson	Jackie Bailey
Teacher	Al Gray
	Sandra White
Parent	Lisa Berry
Community	Marilyn Nelson
Advisory Council	Jesse Addison
Assistant Director	Aurelia Burgess
Secretary	Angela Watts
Students	Christopher Berry
	Logan Lehr
	Jessica Pritchett
	Brandi Reed
	Chelsea Hopkins
	Candice Franklin
Parents	Heather Norwood
	Shawn Reed
	Eric Repass
Community	Connell Delaine
	Crishell Bass
	Quanketa Davis
	Maggie Gause
	Robbie Smith
Teacher of the Year	James Griggs

School Renewal Plan Goals	Level of Success
At least 63% of all 12 th grade CATE concentrators (Career and Technology Education students completing at least three units) will score proficient or above on the ELA HSAP during their sophomore year.	72.80%
At least 61.5% of all 12 th grade concentrators will score proficient or above on the math HSAP during their sophomore year.	76.8%
At least 89% of all Career and Technology Education (CATE) students will achieve a final GPA of 2.0 or higher for all CATE courses.	96%
At least 98% of 12 th grade concentrators who complete a CATE program will attain a high school diploma, state certificate, or GED.	100%
At least 87% of all CATE concentrators will be included in the state's computation of its graduation rate.	100%
At least 94% of CATE completers (students who complete at least four units in a program area) who are available for placement will be placed in post-secondary education, military, or employment utilizing the CATE competencies attained.	99.63%
At least 10.95% of students enrolled in CATE programs identified as leading to nontraditional training and employment will be from the underrepresented gender.	14.85%
At least 76.5% of students completing CATE programs identified as leading to nontraditional training and employment will be from the underrepresented gender.	100%
At least three teachers will complete coursework which enables them to provide instruction leading to students receiving national certification.	3

DCIT Programs	# Students Enrolled
Agricultural Education	30
Automotive Collision	37
Automobile Technology	39
Business	98
Carpentry	26
Electricity	30
Engineering	21
Graphic Communications	38
Health Science Education	103
Information Technology	29
Machine Tool Technology	25
Welding	40
Total	516

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE REPORT CARD			
Criteria	Percentage	Points	Total
Mastery (50%)	90.6%	3	15.0
Graduation (25%)	96.7%	5	12.5
Placement (25%)	99.6%	5	12.5
The DCIT has a total of 40 points on the State Report Card and when divided by 10 the total point count is 4.0 which is an excellent report card rating! DCIT also met all seven Perkins Standards.			

WORK BASED LEARNING PARTICIPATION	
Cooperative Learning = 3	Clinical Rotation = 25
School Based Enterprise = 69	Service Learning = 190

WE BELIEVE

- Education is a total community responsibility.
- The quality of education is directly affected by the partnership of home, school, and community.
- Success in business and industry requires that students possess marketable skills.
- An interactive environment is fundamental to student learning and comprehension.

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS AND ACTIVITIES

CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANTS – There are twenty-five students enrolled in Health Science Clinical Studies. These students will take the Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) exam and National Health Science Assessment in May. Mrs. Connie Altman, Mrs. Kellie Flowers, and Mrs. Nancy Huntley prepare Health Science students for immediate careers or further education. Certified Nursing Assistants are needed to fulfill job openings at a variety of medical facilities including nursing homes, doctor's offices, and hospitals. Starting salaries are usually around \$22,460.

DECA (REGIONAL) - On December 3, 2015, Mrs. Pam Smith took marketing students from DCIT to compete in the Region II DECA Competitive Events at Westwood High School in Blythewood, SC. The following students earned an opportunity to compete at the State DECA Competition.

2nd place

✚ Retail Merchandising: Jada Zimmerman (DHS)

Top 10

- ✚ Accounting Principles: Jakayla McCollough (MHS)
- ✚ Apparel and Accessories Marketing: Fanny Serrano (DHS)
- ✚ Food Marketing Management: Jared Martrano (HHS)
- ✚ Full-Service Restaurant Management: Elijah Vaughn (HHS)
- ✚ Marketing Management: Hunter Purvis (HHS)
- ✚ Sports & Entertainment Marketing: Joshua Chester (DHS)



DECA (STATE) – The DECA state competition was held in February in Charleston, SC. Sandra Hammons earned an opportunity to compete at the International DECA Competition in April in Nashville. Several students placed in the Top Ten.

1st place

✚ Personal Selling Presentation: Sandra Hammons (DHS)

Top Ten

- ✚ Food Marketing Management: Jared Martrano (HHS)
- ✚ Marketing Management: Hunter Purvis (HHS)
- ✚ Principles of Business Administration: Cindy Martinez (MHS)
- ✚ Retail Merchandising: Jada Zimmerman (DHS)



ENGINEERING – In addition to drawing blueprints of houses, using AutoCAD to design a variety of objects, and building towers and bridges that can support over 100 pounds, Mr. Dan Woods took engineering students to compete in the Sandhills Regional Science Fair on April 7, 2016. George Haynes placed 2nd in the individual competition. The team of Steven Joyner and Isaac Rowe tied for 4th place with the team of Demetrius Gilbert and Devin Patel.



NATIONAL TECHNICAL HONOR SOCIETY - On December 3, 2015, twenty-six student members and two honorary members were inducted into the NTHS at DCIT bringing the total number of current student members to 27. To qualify to join, students must be enrolled in their third and fourth unit of a specific program area, have a minimum 3.25 GPA overall and 3.5 GPA in Career and Technology (CATE) courses. The advisor is Mr. Bert Sandifer.

AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY/AUTO COLLISION REPAIR: Students can earn Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) certification in nine areas in Automotive Technology and four areas in Auto Collision Repair. Fifteen students earned ASE certification in one or more areas during the 2014-15 schoolyear.

WELDING RODEO – Eight students in the Welding program at DCIT competed at the Welding Rodeo at Florence Darlington Technical College on April 9, 2016. Chris Wood, Alex Norris, Cesar Alberto, Cotie Lawson, Kentavois Jackson, Mason Rogers, Thomas Mays, and Patrick Campbell used skills they learned from Mr. Jesse Flowers, instructor and placed third in the competition. The theme was Star Wars.



GRAPHIC COMMUNICATIONS – Mr. Gary Hayes’ students annually compete in the Darlington County School District Art in Business competition. Chelsea Larymore was the Art in Business representative for DCIT. Students also participated in the Printing Industries of the Carolina’s (PICA) competition. They were recognized as Best of Category in two categories and received four special judges’ awards in the 2016 (PICA) competition.

- ✚ Genesis Jones - Best of Category - Digital Printing - “Tools of the Trade”
- ✚ Sarah Williamson - Best of Category - Toner - “Ink”
- ✚ Sarah Williamson - Special Judges’ Award – Ink Jet – Varsity Soccer
- ✚ Alena Freeman – Special Judges’ Award – Ink Jet – Have a Very Guerry Christmas
- ✚ Sarah Williamson – Special Judges’ Award – Digital Printing – Renofest
- ✚ Cricket Porter/Sarah Williamson – Special Judges’ Award – Offset Printing – Christmas Card



SKILLSUSA (STATE) - The SC SkillsUSA State Conference was held April 13-16, 2016. Advisors for SkillsUSA are Mr. Jesse Flowers, Mr. James Griggs, Mr. Gary Hayes, Mr. Kevin Hill, Mr. Dennis Johnson, Mr. Daren McKenzie, Mr. Kenny Tiller, and Mrs. Sandra White. Candice Franklin earned the opportunity to represent South Carolina at the National SkillsUSA competition in Louisville, KY in June 2016.

1st place

- ✚ Welding Sculpture: Candice Franklin (HHS)

2nd place

- ✚ Graphic Imaging Sublimation: Jonathan Brown (DHS)
- ✚ CNC Turning Specialist: Theodore Cutler (HHS)

3rd place

- ✚ Electrical Construction Wiring: William Burdick (DHS)

Top Ten

- ✚ Advertising Design – Cricket Porter (HHS)
- ✚ Electrical Construction Wiring: Patrick Maldonado (HHS)
- ✚ Electrical Construction Wiring: Trevor Drayton (HHS)
- ✚ Job Skills Demonstration A: Kyreeq Fox (DHS)
- ✚ Job Skills Demonstration A: Jordan Franklin (HHS)
- ✚ Screen Printing: Jessica Pritchett (HHS)
- ✚ Welding: Cotie Lawson (DHS)



AGRICULTURE EDUCATION – Josh Fountain, Shane Gainey, and Nicholas Gibbs competed in the Sandhills Regional Science Fair at Francis Marion University. They placed 1st in the team competition. Mr. Al Gray, FFA advisor and members attended the SC State House Plant Presentation, the national FFA convention in Louisville, KY, and competed in a variety of FFA competitions including Soil Judging, Livestock, and Tractor Driving. Several of the FFA members also spoke to younger students at the “Grow Your Own Future” event sponsored by the Pee Dee Regional Education Center, STEM, and Clemson Research station.

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS STUDENTS OF AMERICA (STATE) – The State HOSA Conference was held March 16-18, 2016. Advisors are Mrs. Connie Altman, Mrs. Kellie Flowers, and Mrs. Nancy Huntley.

3rd Place

- ✚ Extemporaneous Poster – Logan Lehr

4th Place

- ✚ Medical Spelling – Terah Lane

Outstanding HOSA Member

- ✚ Terah Lane



ACCREDITATION – The Darlington County Institute of Technology is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (AdvancED).