

# 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

2012-2013

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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 2012-2013 school year and updates on the 2011-2012 goals. The School Improvement Council reviews our goals and achievements and reports progress to our school family and community.

**SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL MEMBERS  
2012-2013**

Ex-Officio Member Bert Guerry, Director  
 SIC Chairperson Sandra White  
 Teacher Barbara Brown  
 Parent Pam T. Sherrill  
 Community Stephan Bridges  
 Advisory Council Jesse Addison  
 Assistant Director Aurelia Burgess  
 Secretary Angela Watts  
 Students Chelsea Bailey  
 Jakera Jacobs  
 Darrell Pendergrass  
 De'Reginald Sanders  
 Parents Kim Drew  
 Tommy Drew  
 Sandy Melton  
 Rebecca Yarborough  
 Community Connell Delaine  
 Teacher of the Year Pam Smith

DCIT Programs	# Students Enrolled
Agricultural Education	18
Automotive Collision	12
Automobile Technology	21
Business/Marketing	148
Electricity/Mechatronics	7
Engineering	17
Graphic Communications	30
Health Science Education	208
Information Technology	12
Welding	32

**ACCREDITATION**

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

School Renewal Plan Goals	Level of Success
At least 62% of all 12 <sup>th</sup> grade CATE concentrators (Career and Technology Education students completing at least three units) will score proficient or advanced on the ELA HSAP administered during their sophomore year.	67.74%
At least 60% of all 12 <sup>th</sup> grade concentrators will score proficient or advanced on the math HSAP administered during their sophomore year.	64.52%
At least 87.5% of all Career and Technology Education (CATE) concentrators will achieve a final GPA of at least 2.0 averaged over the year for all CATE courses.	81.25%
At least 96.5% of 12 <sup>th</sup> grade concentrators who complete a CATE program will attain a high school diploma, state certificate, or GED.	100%
At least 85% of all CATE concentrators will be included in the state's computation of its graduation rate.	100%
At least 92.5% 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.	99.42%
At least 15.4% of students enrolled in CATE programs identified as leading to nontraditional training and employment will be from the underrepresented gender.	17.45%
At least 91% 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.	2

**SOUTH CAROLINA STATE REPORT CARD**

Criteria	Percentage	Points	Total
Technical Skill Attainment (50%)	93.7%	3	15.0
Graduation (25%)	100%	5	12.5
Placement (25%)	99.4%	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**

Job Shadowing = 176	Clinical Rotation = 103
School Based Enterprise = 25	Service Learning = 93

Work Keys - 193 Participants took Locating Information, Mathematics, and Reading for Information. Gold, silver, and bronze certificates were awarded to 83% of the students based on performance. Performance on this assessment is beneficial as they apply for jobs.

**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 one hundred and three (103) students enrolled in Health Science Technology II. These students are eligible to take the Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) exam in May. Mrs. Connie Altman, Mrs. Barbara Brown, 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 \$21,733.

**INTERACTIVE CAREER FAIR**–This event provides an opportunity for ninth graders and their teachers to hear representatives from industry explain how to be successful in their respective careers. Freshmen also tour the DCIT campus and listen to current DCIT students talk about career and technology courses and how courses fit into their career path.

### DECA (REGIONAL) HONORS

On December 6, 2013, advisors Mrs. Pam Smith and Mr. Kenneth Sandifer took marketing students from DCIT to compete in the Region II DECA Competitive Events at Brookland-Cayce High School in Columbia, SC. The following students earned an opportunity to compete at the State DECA Competition.

#### TOP 5

**Human Resources Management:** Dillon Spell (DHS) – 1<sup>st</sup>  
**Food Marketing** - Jalen Durant (MHS) - 2<sup>nd</sup>  
**Marketing Management** - Dylan Medina (HHS) - 2<sup>nd</sup>  
**Business Services Marketing:** Sara Windham (HHS) - 3<sup>rd</sup>  
**Sports Marketing Management:** Kristen Sansbury (HHS) - 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### TOP 10

**Apparel & Accessories Marketing:** Katelyn Rogers (HHS); Tyrell Sutton (DHS); Amber Walters (HHS); Kelsey Woods (HHS)  
**Business Services Marketing:** Olivia McRae (HHS); Abyy Gonzalez (HHS)  
**Human Resources Management:** Francie Freeman-HHS; Ty-ling Holmes (HHS)  
**Marketing Management:** Calvin King (DHS); Drake Nester (HHS); Latavia Scarborough (HHS)  
**Quick Serve Restaurant Management:** Maison Price (HHS)  
**Restaurant & Food Service Management:** Gabriela Garcia (HHS); KyAsia Thomas (DHS)  
**Retail Merchandising:** Brandon Miles (DHS)  
**Sports Marketing Management:** Shy Phillips (HHS)

### FBLA DISTRICT HONORS

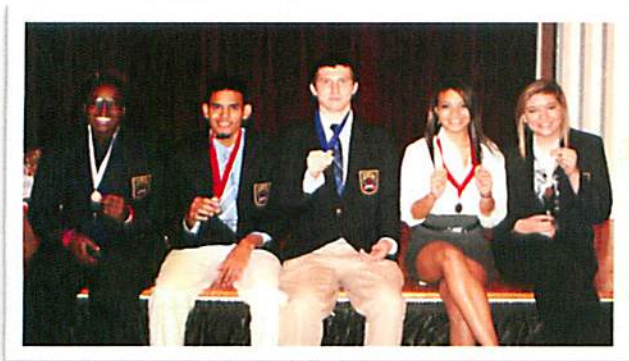


**Business Law:** Hassiem Neal (DHS) – 1<sup>st</sup>  
**Computer Problem Solving** – Brandon Miles (DHS) – 1<sup>st</sup>  
**Deja McKenzie** – Electronic Career Portfolio (DHS) – 1<sup>st</sup>  
**Marketing Team Event:** Drake Nester (HHS) and Dillon Spell (DHS) – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
**Hospitality Management:** Bria Mark (MHS) – 4<sup>th</sup>  
**Health Care Administration:** ZaNa Jowers (HHS) – 5<sup>th</sup>

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**Marketing Management** - Dylan Medina (HHS) - 2<sup>nd</sup>  
**Business Services Marketing:** Olivia McRae (HHS) - 3<sup>rd</sup>  
**Marketing Management Team Decision Making** – Francie Freeman (HHS), Drake Nester (HHS) – 4<sup>th</sup>  
**Retail Merchandising:** Brandon Miles (DHS) – 5<sup>th</sup>  
**Human Resources Management:** Ty-ling Holmes (HHS) – Top 10



**PROGRAMS RETURN**– Machine Tool Technology and Carpentry return to the Darlington County Institute of Technology.

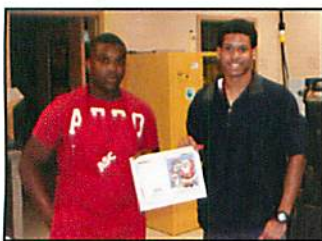
**SKILLSUSA (STATE)**–The SkillsUSA competition will be held from March 21-April 13, 2013 with different competitions being held throughout the state. The awards ceremony will be held on April 13, 2013 in Greenville, SC. We have 17 students competing in 11 different competitive events ranging from Automotive Technology to Welding.. Students who place 1<sup>st</sup> in their event earn an opportunity to compete at the national SkillsUSA competition in Kansas City, MO in June.

**WELDING:** The Welding class hosted Bob Doster, an artist in residence on March 25-27, 2013.



**FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA** – Darlington County Institute of Technology had four students attend the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana. Additionally, agricultural education students attended the SC FFA-sponsored State Legislators Appreciation Ceremony and FFA Celebration Luncheon in Columbia in February. They competed in a variety of FFA competition including Soil Judging, Livestock, and Tractor Driving. In April they have their annual plant sale and attend the SC State House Plant Presentation. The instructor is Al Gray.

**NATIONAL TECHNICAL HONOR SOCIETY** –Twenty-four students qualified to join NTHS. On February 26, 2013, 11 students were inducted into the NTHS at DCIT. There was one returning member. 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.



**GRAPHIC COMMUNICATIONS**–ShaQuaile Johnson won the district Art in Business competition for the high school division. Kaelin Brunson and DeReginald Sanders placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the Screen Printing and Graphics competitions at the state SkillsUSA Competition. They each earned an opportunity to compete at the national SkillsUSA competition in Kansas City, MO this summer. Kaelin Brunson and DeReginald Sanders were awarded the "Best of Show" plaque and a scholarship at the 47th annual PICA or Printing Industries of the Carolinas banquet in Charlotte NC. These two DCIT (Darlington County Institute of Technology) students designed and printed a job that was chosen as the best Graphic Communications job from over three hundred entries. They were awarded the plaque by the PICA foundation in front of an audience of over three hundred members of the PICA organization.

**HEALTH OCCUPATIONS STUDENTS OF AMERICA (STATE)** –The State HOSA Conference was held March 13-15, 2013. First place state winners earn a trip to the National HOSA Conference in Nashville, TN. The national conference will be from June 26-June 30, 2013. Advisors are Mrs. Connie Altman, Mrs. Barbara Brown, and Mrs. Nancy Huntley.



**Healthy Life Styles**–Ashley Murray (MHS) – 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Home Health Aide** – Ciara Humes (DHS) - Top 6

**Medical Assisting**–Armondo Alford (DHS) – Top 6

**Physical Therapy** – Shaquetta Brown (LHS) - 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Prepared Speaking**–Alpresha Solomon (MHS) – Top 6

**BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS OF AMERICA** - The State Leadership Conference for Business Professionals of America was held in Columbia, SC on March 20-22, 2013. We had winners in the following areas:

**Information Technology Concepts** - Brandon Miles (DHS) - 1<sup>st</sup>

**Fair Trade Challenge in Promotion and Presentation** - Latavia Scarborough (HHS) and Tyrell Sutton (DHS) – 2<sup>nd</sup> for their Bayy Bows booth

**Marketing, Management, and Human Resources** - Dillon Spell (DHS) - 5<sup>th</sup>