

## Awards & Achievements

On September 21, 2019, Barbara Gilbert, Cosmetology 10 Instructor, was named Cosmetology Teacher of the Year at the ACTIVE Conference in Columbia, SC.

Chef Drew Archer, Culinary Arts Instructor, was named the South Carolina Upstate Hospitality Educator of the Year at the Upstate Hospitality Awards Ceremony on November 4, 2019.

On February 27, 2020, twenty-three students were inducted into the Donaldson Chapter of the National Technical Honor Society.

This year, Donaldson Career Center students also competed in the Pro-Start Culinary Arts Competition and several students were preparing for the SC State Skills USA conference when the event was cancelled. In addition to competitions, Donaldson students also participated in a number of work-based learning activities that ranged from field trips to internships.

### Impact of Covid-19

Learning by Doing is a hallmark of Career and Technical Education and Donaldson Career Center. The staff and students of Donaldson rose to the challenge of eLearning and did a remarkable job given the circumstances. However, not having our students on campus for hands-on learning had a negative impact on the mastery of the material and the attainment of state recognized credentials/certifications. In addition, high quality work-based learning placements were lost as businesses closed.

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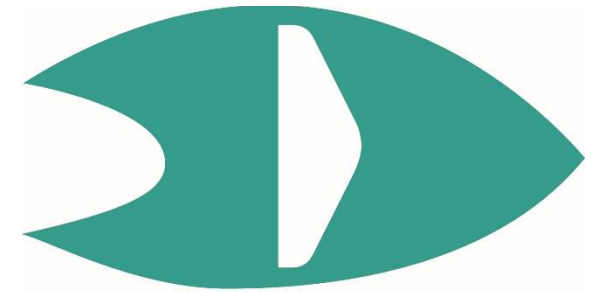
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**DONALDSON**  
CAREER CENTER

### 2019 – 2020 Report to Parents

Donaldson Career Center's mission is to provide students with marketable skills through academic and job related experiences and to assist them in pursuing and attaining their post-secondary goals.

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## SIC Annual Goals

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### Goal 1: Retention

To increase the retention of Level I students transitioning to Level II classes for the 2020 - 2021 school year by a minimum of 5% for any program below 70% retention; 10% for any program below 60% retention.

### Progress: Met

This goal was met by every program area this year. The projected increase in total enrollment, due primarily to increased retention of students from Level I to Level II, is just over 26% per preliminary registration data.

### Goal 2: Certifications

To increase the number of State recognized certifications earned by Donaldson Career Center students by 10%.

### Progress: TBD

Current data (06/15/2020) indicate that Donaldson students have earned 166 state recognized certifications to date. Human Services students in Cosmetology, Esthetics and Nail Technology are waiting for LLR practical exams to resume so they can take their State licensing exams. In addition, other students are in the process of completing OSHA10 certifications online.

## Student Achievement

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### CTE Completers

During the 2019 – 2020 School Year, 125 students earned Career and Technical Education Completer status. This is a 34% increase from the previous year.

### State Recognized Certifications

At the time of this report, Donaldson Career Center students have earned a total of 166 state recognized credentials/certifications. As mentioned elsewhere in this report, industry testing for the Human Services program areas (Barbering, Cosmetology, Esthetics and Nail Technology) has been delayed due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

State recognized certifications earned by Donaldson Career Center students as of 06/14/2020 include: Adobe ACA, ASE (Automotive Service Excellence) Brakes and Maintenance/Light Repair, AWS (American Welding Society), Microburst Learning Employability Skills, OSHA10, SC Firefighter I & II, SC Hair Braiding, ServSafe Food Handler & ServSafe Food Manager.

Certifications pending re-opening of LLR practical exam testing: Cosmetologist, Esthetician and Nail Technician.

## Additional Information

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### Program Offerings for 2019-2020

- Aircraft Maintenance (GVTC)
- Automotive Technology
- Barbering/Master Haircare
- Building Construction Technology
- Cosmetology
- Culinary Arts
- Digital Art & Design
- Esthetics
- Firefighting
- Mechatronics
- Nail Technology
- Welding

### Program Changes for 2020-2021

- Digital Art & Design moved to Woodmont High School
- New Program added – Machine Tool Technology

### Primary Feeder Schools

- Greenville Early College
- Greenville High School
- Southside High School
- Woodmont High School

