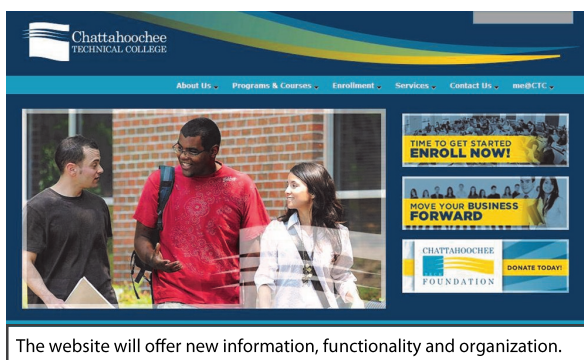


New Website to Bring Easier Navigation and Better Results

The URL stays the same, but ChattahoocheeTech.edu will look much different soon. The re-designed website will allow students, faculty, staff, prospective students and the public to more easily navigate and find valuable information about the programs of study and services offered by the state's largest technical college. Scheduled to launch March 1, the new website will be in place before registration for summer classes begins.

The search function on the website also has been improved. Visitors can use a site-wide search function and site map that will help guide them through the information they need. The front page of the site will include links to the most requested information, as well as new categories including services, academic programs of study, enrollment, as well as others. This allows for easy navigation to necessary information.



"The new website will be dynamic with its snapshots for each program," said Jennifer Nelson, Vice-President for External Affairs. "Prospective and current students will see the practical information to help decide on the course of study that best meets their needs. Students will be able to compare programs and even look more closely at the differences between requirements within the same program at the degree, diploma and certificate levels."

Another feature of the website is the me@CTC section, which allows students to access the features they use the most often by offering them in one area. The feature will allow access to online class information through Angel, registration and payment operations through BannerWeb, financial aid, Pearson's MyLab for class assignments, student e-mail and technical support. Announcements regarding weather closings, registration information and deadlines can also be added. Current students are encouraged to make me@CTC their homepage.

Visitors to the site will find the information useful and pertinent, according to Nelson. However, changes to the organizational structure of the site will be evident with a layout that is more intuitive than previous versions of the site. Functions such as checking transcripts, registering for classes and paying tuition and fees will remain unchanged through their current location and format.

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Chattahoochee Tech - 8th Largest College or University in Georgia

Chattahoochee Technical College is ranked as 8th in the state of Georgia by the Atlanta Business Chronicle's list of the area's 25 largest colleges and universities. The annual listing is part of the publication's 2012-2013 Book of Lists, which contains 122 lists of Georgia schools, businesses, healthcare agencies, industries, hospitality, real estate and more.

"We are proud to say that Chattahoochee Technical College has been in the top ten for the past several years," said Chattahoochee Technical College President Dr. Ron Newcomb. "To be named one of the top colleges and universities in the state is a significant statement that students choose CTC for its quality education, the dedicated faculty and staff and the strong student support programs we strive to provide for our community."

The ranking includes Chattahoochee Technical College as the largest of the Technical College System of Georgia's 25 technical colleges around the state. It is one of two 2-year colleges to make the top ten with Georgia Perimeter College ranked as 3rd in the state. The list is compiled based on Fall 2012 enrollment numbers and includes information about tuition, fees, accreditation and degree offerings.

Bridge Program to Open Doors for Current Practical Nurses



As the demand for registered nurses in Georgia continues to grow, Chattahoochee Technical College is launching its first ever nursing bridge program. The LPN to RN bridge program will enable practical nurses to become registered nurses in approximately 16 months.

The new program is set to begin in January 2014 at the Canton Campus of Chattahoochee Technical College. However, interested students must have completed all admissions requirements for the college by Summer Semester 2013, including having all transfer credit assessed and pre-admission general education courses completed by August 13, 2013.

Admissions to the program will be based on a competitive standard. Candidacy will be evaluated using applicants TEAS scores, grade point average in required prerequisite science courses, a letter of recommendation from an immediate supervisor and human resources at the applicant's current job and interview (if selected). Additional points are also offered to graduates of Chattahoochee Technical College's Practical Nursing Program. All applicants must hold a current practical nursing license and are required to attend an application session during the summer term at the Canton Campus. Dates and times for the required session will be announced.

The new program will allow students to earn an associate degree and sit for the NCLEX-RN exam, the national licensure examination for registered nurses. Upon successful completion of the exam, students will then become registered nurses.

Paramedicine and EMT to Paramedic Bridge Programs Now Offered

Chattahoochee Technical College will be introducing its new Paramedicine Program this January with 10 students in the first cohort. The program, which includes 44 credit hours of instruction beyond general education requirements, will be housed at the college's Appalachian Campus in Jasper.

Program Director and Instructor Phil Klein heads up the program. Curriculum includes responsibilities associated with paramedic care, pathophysiology, cardiology, trauma, pediatrics, medical emergencies and treating special patient populations.



Offered at both the diploma and associate degree levels at Chattahoochee Technical College, the program provides students who hold current certification as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician with the opportunity to expand their skills to the paramedic level. Graduates of this program are eligible to sit for the NREMT Paramedic examination. While there is no difference in the course content between the diploma and degree level programs, pre-admissions courses and career opportunities do differ.

In addition to the new paramedicine program, the college will be introducing an Accelerated EMT to Paramedic Program. The program will allow students who ultimately want to become paramedics to fast track through the EMT portions of the requirements. Chattahoochee Technical College currently offers an Emergency Medical Services Professional Diploma at its North Metro Campus in Acworth.

Scheduled to begin in the summer of 2013, the accelerated program will provide students intensive classroom and laboratory instruction, as well as clinical and field experiences. The program, which is the only one of its kind locally, will reduce the amount of time students spend preparing for certifications necessary for the new Paramedicine Program from three semesters to 24 weeks.

CTC ATHLETICS

Chattahoochee Technical College's Golden Eagles men's basketball team, under the direction of Head Coach David Archer and Assistant Coach Keith Lundy, is currently ranked 16th in the nation against formidable opponents. Some of the teams the team has beat are: Albany, Macon State, Atlanta Metro, Waycross, Shorter College, West Georgia Technical, South Georgia Technical, Gordon College, Georgia Perimeter, Cleveland State, Southern Crescent and Central Georgia. The CTC Women's Basketball Team has been doing very well this year under Coach Guy Coleman.

The Men and Women's Track and Field and Cross Country Teams are signing up members to participate in Track/Cross Country events with other colleges in the area and other Invitational Events. They are excited to get started this season.

Coach Tim Freeman is working on building a strong Football Team this year. Coach Freeman is recruiting athletes from the local area high schools, as well as out of state football athletes.

Check out schedules, results and player information at:

www.chattahoocheetech.edu/sports/

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Christopher Rosson Named Chattahoochee Tech GOAL Winner

Christopher Rosson, a Technical Specialist student at Chattahoochee Technical College, has been named as the college's winner of the Georgia Occupational Award of Leadership (GOAL). Rosson was chosen by a panel of local leaders over three other finalists for the award.

"Technical Education has been the bridge between my past and my future," Rosson said in a speech. "I chose technical education because of smaller classes, flexibility of locations and most importantly I can take the same accredited courses for less than half the price of a state university."

GOAL, a statewide program of the Technical College System of Georgia, honors excellence in academics and leadership among the state's technical college students. Local GOAL winners are selected at each of the state's other technical colleges as well as the two Board of Regents colleges with technical education divisions.

Rosson will now proceed to regional judging. All college GOAL winners will receive an all-expense-paid trip to Atlanta for two days in April. Nine finalists, three regional finalists from the three regions, will be announced while in Atlanta and if chosen, he will compete with the other eight GOAL finalists from the other state technical college campuses. A panel of leaders from the business, industry and government sectors will interview them and choose one to be the 2013 state GOAL winner and the recipient of the GOAL medallion and a new car.

"Our judges had a really tough job," said GOAL coordinator Lucylle Shelton. "They were inspired and touched by so many of the stories and things they learned from each of the finalists."

Nominated by faculty, the four finalists were chosen out of 33 nominees from various programs and campuses at Chattahoochee Technical College. A screening committee of administrators and instructors at the college reviewed all the nominations and interviewed each of the students. The other finalists included Business Management student Hillary Sommer of Marietta, Technical Specialist student Luana Scienza of Marietta and Interiors Student Patricia Wilson of Marietta.



2013 CTC Goal Winner Chris Rosson

Early Childhood Care and Education Instructor Honored at Chattahoochee Tech

Chattahoochee Technical College recently announced the winner of the Rick Perkins Award for Excellence in Technical Instruction, a statewide program initiated by the Technical College System of Georgia to honor outstanding instructors at the System's 25 member institutions. Hollie Queen was named as the school's winner. The announcement was made today at a luncheon honoring GOAL and Rick Perkins nominees, finalists, and winners.

"I'm excited, humbled and honored to have been chosen," said Queen.

Queen, who teaches Early Childhood Care and Education, was chosen from a list of three finalists for the title, including Amy Denney, who teaches Adult Education at the Appalachian Campus and Kevin Ruby, who teaches Automotive Technology at the Marietta Campus.

Queen will now compete against the winners from other technical colleges in Georgia at the regional level. The regional level of the competition includes Georgia technical college winners from the northern area of the state for the region Rick Perkins Award title. Each region will then select two finalists whose names will be announced in April at the annual Georgia Occupational Award of Leadership and Rick Perkins Award conference. Those finalists will participate in an additional screening process for the state Rick Perkins Award title.

Each phase consists of a brief 5-7 minute introduction by the nominee to a panel of three judges followed by a 12-15 minute interview session. The winner of this award will carry the title of Instructor of the Year and will receive several nice gifts. The state winner receives \$1,000 and a crystal award.

"I went into higher education to make a difference," said Queen. "All my life I've wanted to make a difference. While I was having an impact on children, I wanted that at the other end of the spectrum. I wanted to make a paradigm shift in education."

The Rick Perkins Award for Excellence in Technical Instruction began in 1991 and is designed to recognize and honor technical college instructors who make significant contributions to technical education through innovation and leadership in their fields. Formerly known as the Commissioner's Award of Excellence, the Rick Perkins Award was renamed in memory and honor of Thomas "Rick" Perkins, an instructor at West Central Technical College, who received the Commissioner's Award immediately prior to his untimely death.



From left to right: Diane Petty, Instructor and CTC Rick Perkins Coordinator; Dr. Ron Newcomb, CTC President; 2012 Winner Jim Rutherford; and 2013 Winner Hollie Queen

Graduating in December 2013? Be Sure to Petition to Graduate by July 26!

FAFSA Now Required for All Students Receiving Financial Aid

According to changes by the Georgia Student Finance Commission, effective June 9, 2013, the Georgia Student Financial Aid Application (GSFAPS) will no longer be accepted to apply for any State and Lottery Funded programs (including the HOPE Grant, HOPE Scholarship and Zell Miller Scholarship). Any student who wants to receive these funds must complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Checking Financial Aid Status

Check financial aid status through BANNER WEB. Through BANNER WEB you can:

- Verify CTC has received your FAFSA,
- Check for missing requirements (items needed to complete your financial aid award),
- View your financial aid award,
- Pay your balance online, and/or
- Check your Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) status (updated after every semester).

If students are anticipating using State or Lottery Funded programs for the Summer Semester and they have not completed a FAFSA, they will need to do so as soon as possible.

All students must complete the FAFSA at www.fafsa.ed.gov to apply for ALL financial aid (HOPE Grant/Scholarship, Pell, etc.) To attend summer 2013 complete, 2012-2013 FAFSA. For enrollment fall 2013 and beyond, complete 2013-2014 FAFSA

For faster processing, use the LINK to the IRS DATA RETRIEVAL TOOL to import your tax information directly into your FAFSA. All required financial documents should be submitted **at least 3 weeks prior** to any payment deadline to ensure payment for classes with financial aid.

Students should check their CTC e-mail often for updates from the financial aid office.

Chattahoochee Tech Foundation Opens Scholarship Process

The Chattahoochee Tech Foundation began accepting online applications for scholarships on February 1, 2013. All scholarships are privately funded through the generosity of individuals, organizations, and businesses. Eligibility ranges from academic performance, program of study, location of study, and financial need. Scholarships will be awarded for the Fall 2013 term.



Visit www.chattahoocheetech.edu/foundation to review the scholarships and APPLY. Deadline for applications is April 4, 2013.

Service Learning Offers More than Classroom Education

The Chattahoochee Technical College Center for Service Learning and Community Engagement is committed to supporting efforts to combine academic instruction with service in the community in order to assist students in pursuing educational, career, and personal goals. Learning which is enhanced through service affirms the value of human life and creates a lifelong commitment to civic engagement, community connectedness, and social responsibility.

Chattahoochee Technical College uses the service learning model to combine academic instruction with service in the community. Projects range from children, animals, health, crime prevention, seniors/elder care and the environment to many others.

"Service learning is important to the college for several reasons," said Faculty Director of Service Learning Marcy Hehny. "They include encouraging students to actively and reflectively make a difference in themselves and today's society, to help students and faculty reach academic and personal goals through service, to help students and faculty move beyond the classroom and become involved in the community and to provide networking opportunities to students within their academic program of study."



Chattahoochee Tech students help build a house for Bartow County Habitat for Humanity

CAREER SERVICES



Choose the right major - career assessment inventory:
www.chattahoocheetech.edu/current/careerassessments

Find a job on SwoopLink:
<http://ctc.experience.com>

Write a resume & cover letter:
<http://ctc.optimalresume.com>

Practice for an interview:
www.perfectinterview/chattcollege

Make an appointment with Career Services!

Austell, Marietta, Mtn. View, and Paulding
Jesse Moyers
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jesse.moyers@chattahoocheetech.edu

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770-975-4063

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MARCH 13 AT
THE MARIETTA
CAMPUS**

Interiors Student Earns National Recognition for Chair Design



Interiors Instructor Ginger Burton looks on as student Patricia Wilson describes the design. Wilson and her chair were featured on Fox 5.

Chattahoochee Technical College student Patricia Wilson is sitting pretty with her winning chair design. The Interiors Program student was one of eight who were asked to design a chair that would be suitable for a lobby as part of a classroom project. After being viewed and evaluated by several judges, the Marietta resident's design was chosen to be featured by High Point Furniture Industries. (HPFI)

The winning chair design is being developed into a prototype and considered for a future space at CTC. Additionally, HPFI will be showcasing the design on a banner at NeoCon in Chicago in June. NeoCon is the largest trade show in North America for commercial design and furnishings. Wilson is currently working with HPFI and her instructor, Ginger Burton, on the technical drawings for the chair. Using AutoCAD software she will be working on proportion and specifying the actual dimensions. From there it will go to the engineers at HPFI to evaluate for production. Wilson, whose classes take place at the Mountain View Campus, designed her chair to feature the popular programs of that campus, including Culinary, Interiors and Television Production. Named Patrice, the design is described as

being simple in line, yet complex in design and detail. The chair also uses a cylindrical leg in a brushed stainless or chrome finish.

"The layering of textiles creates a bold graphic statement," said Wilson. "I layered 2 solid color fabrics with a bold, geometric, retro print for a modern edge. A gentle curve softens the rectilinear shape of the back and echoes the most unique feature; the Art Deco inspired half arm."

CNA Students Compete for the Gold as they Study for State Exams



Aja Rolls demonstrates a skill.

Preparing for an exam is not usually fun, but for a group of Nursing Assistant graduates at Chattahoochee Technical College it was a few hours of games, races and competition. The competition, which took place Monday, Jan. 7, at the North Metro Campus in Acworth, featured a variety of events that included skills graduates learned during their time at CTC.

"We started with work stations testing skills such as hand washing and infection control, and worked up to more complicated skills," said Chattahoochee Tech CNA Program Coordinator and Instructor Linda Ferrick. "They were judged according to the efficiency of completing the skill and the time it took."

Students graduating with this certificate in December took classes at the Appalachian, Austell and North Metro campuses. For the competition participants were teamed by their former campuses. Each round of competition became progressively harder with eliminations after each round. The top three students from each campus were named and ranked. The final round determined the top campus.

The Medalists

Appalachian/Austell

1. Mandy Shirley
2. Kristen Graham
3. Diane Roberts

North Metro Campus

1. Aja Rolls
2. Giovanna Tomassoni
3. Heather Christy

Top Team

Appalachian/Austell Team

"CNA's are the backbone of the health care team," said Ferrick. "They do the majority of direct patient care, such as bathing, dressing, feeding, grooming, and hand-holding. It is very important that the CNA has a foundation in anatomy and physiology, understanding disease patterns and processes, infection control, first aid, and psychology. Through Chattahoochee Tech's program, they have this, plus the tutelage of a team of instructors grounded in caring for their community."

Track and Field Teams Help Special Olympics Athletes Compete

Again this year, Chattahoochee Tech's Men's and Women's Track and Field teams opened the Indoor Season by volunteering. On Saturday, January 27, the Golden Eagles volunteered at the Southeast Regional Indoor Championships for the Special Olympics. Several hundred athletes from Georgia, Florida, South Carolina and North Carolina participated in events all across Cobb County. For the second year, the track teams helped with the Powerlifting competition held at the Wyndham Hotel off Powers Ferry Road.

Thirty CTC athletes took turns quickly change weights between competitions during the five hour event. Those that were not currently helping with the actual competition cheered for the competitors and spent some one on one time getting to know them.

"I think some of our athletes discovered what dedication it takes to compete in this type of event," according to Head Coach Steve Prettyman. "Many of athletes competing had previously competed in the world games and showed amazing talent. One athlete in particular just missed lifting over 700lbs! This was a great experience for our athletes to help out others in need, and to discover that you can overcome your limitations and do amazing things."

Leading the Students at Chattahoochee Tech with SGA President Waymon Carr

Recently elected Student Government President Waymon Carr is just beginning his duties as president. But the self described hard worker, organizer and competitor, already knows his way around CTC as a student. He's also no stranger to hard work, he's the current President of Phi Beta Lambda (PBL), a volunteer, honorary member of Sigma Alpha Pi (National Society of Leadership and Success), the former Vice-President of Older Wiser Learners Students (OWLS), a member of the Advisory Committee for Business Administrative Technology and a member of the CTC Budget Committee.

Why did you choose Chattahoochee Technical College?

I choose to attend CTC for the convenience to my family and the opportunity to obtain my degree with the area of studies that CTC offered.

What are you studying here and why did you choose that?

I'm currently enrolled in the new area of study that Chattahoochee Tech offered which is Logistics Supply but I will have my two Associate Degrees in August in Business Technology and Business Management. I selected these areas of study because of my military experience and the past training and knowledge I had in those fields.

What is your ultimate career or educational goal?

My educational goal is to see my kids attend my graduation this Fall 2013 with two degrees and to obtain a job in Supply Logistics in GSA overseas within the government.

When you are not in school, what do you do with your time?

Honestly, even when I have time off I'm still doing work from school. I'm also involved with various activities with my kids at their different schools and to relax I have Madden tournaments on the weekends with close friends.



CTC's SGA President Waymon Carr presents his part of a class project

How would you describe the Student Government Association at Chattahoochee Tech?

As of now, the SGA at Chattahoochee Technical College is strong it just needs structure and the ability to grow and function for all the students.

What motivated you to run for SGA President?

I was motivated to run for SGA President because as a student I started asking questions about issues that I was concerned about. I talked to fellow classmates and realized that complaining isn't going to fix the problem. I believe that, "One person can make a difference." So once I heard that CTC will re-establish SGA, I felt that I can make a difference.

When are meetings and what should students expect?

What students should expect from SGA is a voice for them about issues they are concerned about - a panel of their peers that will speak to school about their concerns. The SGA meetings will be held once a month for each region and quarterly with the entire SGA. These meetings are subject to change.

ELIZABETH WAIYAKI IS THE 2013 CTC EAGLE STUDENT



2013 EAGLE Student Elizabeth Waiyaki

Elizabeth Waiyaki of Acworth has been chosen to represent Chattahoochee Technical College at the EAGLE Leadership Institute in February 2013 in Atlanta. The Leadership Institute recognizes and honors those students who have demonstrated superior achievement in adult education classes and programs including GED test preparation.

"The candidates are excellent representatives of adult education and should be congratulated for their accomplishments," said Executive Director for Adult Education Jon Collins. "It was a difficult choice, but the judges selected Elizabeth Waiyaki to represent Chattahoochee Technical College at the next level of the EAGLE competition."

Representing CTC's North Metro Campus Adult Education program, Waiyaki competed for this year's Chattahoochee Technical College EAGLE position with students from across the service delivery area. The Adult Education students were evaluated through a speech and interview process.

EAGLE is the first statewide program in the nation that recognizes and rewards excellence among students enrolled in the adult education and literacy programs. This student recognition program is designed to create greater awareness of educational opportunities that are available in local communities across the state and to foster greater involvement in lifelong learning pursuits.

Chattahoochee Technical College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award associate degrees. Inquiries related to the college's accreditation by the Commission may be directed to SACSCOC, 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or telephone 404-679-4500. Questions related to admissions and the policies, programs, and practices of Chattahoochee Technical College should be directed to the College.

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