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## Fall semester kicks off with record numbers

Fall semester has started at Richmond Community College with more students enrolled than ever! The College reported 2,606 students were enrolled as of Sept. 1, which is a slight increase over the record student enrollment set in fall 2013. This is great news for RCC, while many other community colleges in the state are experiencing drops in enrollment.

## McInnis rolls out plan for 2 years free college

The RCC Foundation board recently received good news about the growing number of students receiving assistance from the Working Scholarship fund and learned of several new student investment strategies that will make a college

education attainable for more people in Richmond and Scotland counties.

The Foundation held its annual fall meeting on Sept. 1 at the Cole Auditorium.

Executive Director Olivia Webb provided a financial overview, including funds raised by the RCC Gala for the Working Scholarship program and the Director's Circle.



SGA President Sandra Huneycutt speaks at the RCC Foundation Board meeting about how going to college has changed her life.

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# College Connection

Message from the President &  
RCC Foundation Executive Director

## Our growth supported by a great team

As the four-year trend of declining enrollment impacts community colleges across our state and country, I am often asked how has RichmondCC avoided this trend? How has our college seen its enrollment grow while other colleges in our region are at pre-recession enrollment levels? The answer I give them has two parts: our employees and our partnerships.

Our hard working, talented employees are truly dedicated to the success of each student. We know this because of our student feedback and surveys. As one student said, "The people here are nicer than at the other colleges." We have a real team here with a sharp focus on improving how we support each student to find and meet his or her goals. Our data showed us that too many people changed majors too many times, making graduation in two or three years unlikely. That's why, starting this fall, every student has to have a career plan in place by the end of his or her first semester. Alan Questell, our Director



Dr. Dale McInnis,  
RCC President

of Distance Learning, has developed our own software to capture and manage those individualized career plans. In order to ensure those career plans make our students' dreams a reality, we have a revamped Career and Transfer Center led by Patsy Stanley, Director of University Transfer Services. The real action at our college occurs in the classroom, and our faculty, led by Vice President for Instruction Kevin Parsons demonstrate their expertise and passion for teaching in keeping our programs and courses current and relevant.

Our partnerships with our counties, local businesses and universities are all necessary for our college's success. But the key to our enrollment stability is the partnership with our local schools, which is coordinated by Director of K-12 Partnerships Kary

Edmondson. In fall 2011, our Early College high schools totaled 250 students, while only 58 students took advantage of our dual enrollment program. This fall our two Early College high schools have 348 students taking free college courses, while 383 other high school students are taking dual enrollment courses at RichmondCC. Three RichmondCC faculty members are housed at Scotland High School where they teach welding, computers and engineering. Buses are now bringing students from Richmond Senior High School every morning. For the first time we are teaching Office Administration and Welding courses at Richmond County's alternative high school, Ashley Chapel. Marlboro Academy reached out to us, and now Richmond and Scotland County residents who attend this private school just across the border in South Carolina are taking our college courses. Through a Golden Leaf grant, we are working with Dr. Cindy Goodman and her team to

raise math skill levels and test scores, expanding the pool of high school students who are college ready.

Now we have the capacity to provide free college courses to every student in Richmond and Scotland County. That's why we initiated the RichmondCC Guarantee, so our children would be motivated to work hard in high school and take advantage of these dual enrollment courses, and **earn** two years of free tuition and fees. The support of the RCC Foundation and all of our donors and supporters make this Guarantee possible. The question I keep getting asked is: Can we sustain it and meet the demand? For the foreseeable future, we can. But in the not too distant future, I hope so many students qualify and enroll that we will need more resources and more support for our students. I am confident when that time comes, our Foundation and the generous people who support RichmondCC will come through and turn more dreams into reality.

## Your donations will strengthen our 'Guarantees'



Olivia Webb,  
RCC Foundation  
Executive Director

The RichmondCC Guarantee sent a shockwave of excitement around our communities. We at the Foundation are ready and excited to make the RichmondCC Guarantee work. As a donor, you can be at the forefront of that effort. With the College matching all Working Scholarship donations up to \$30,000, now is the time to give to that fund. Give a dollar to the Working Scholarship, and it

automatically becomes two. Working Student recipients are putting their own money in as well, so your one dollar can actually become three. Where else can you get that kind of return on your investment overnight?

The stronger the Working Scholarship is, the stronger the web of financial support is for all RichmondCC students. Strengthen our scholarship portfolio, and you

strengthen the Guarantee. If you have never given to the Foundation, if you don't know where to start, you need to know that your money will be multiplied at the RCC Foundation with a gift to the Working Scholarship. Start today. Write a check to the RCC Foundation and put Working Scholarship in the memo. Mail it to the RCC Foundation at PO Box 1189, Hamlet, NC, 28345. And watch your money grow.

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had a domino effect in allowing the Foundation and RCC's Financial Aid department to create much more comprehensive aid packages outside of the restrictive realm of state and federal aid. This scholarship gives students the push they need to take more hours, therefore completing their degrees more quickly and moving on to better lives.

Over the past year, the Working Scholarship program has helped 83 students get the money they need to go to college. The program has generated \$51,000 in scholarship funds since Fall 2014.

Dr. Dale McInnis, president of RCC, informed the board of other initiatives the College is taking to continue to keep college costs down and to continue to grow student enrollment. He revealed a four-prong student investment strategy.



**Two Richmond Senior High School students dually enrolled at RCC leave the main campus to get on a bus to take them back to the high school. These students are taking free college classes at RCC through the Career and College Promise program.**

## RichmondCC Guarantee

RCC has rolled out a new plan called the RichmondCC Guarantee to offer free college tuition and fees to residents of Richmond and Scotland counties who meet three simple requirements:

- Successfully complete at least two free dual enrollment courses through Career and College Promise pathways
- Earn at least a 3.0 unweighted GPA in high school
- Complete all RCC scholarship and federal financial aid applications

McInnis explained that the RichmondCC Guarantee, which will begin fall 2016, would be funded by the commissions from the sales in the Follett campus bookstore. Policy dictates that bookstore funds can only be used in direct support of students.

"We are calling this initia-

tive the RichmondCC Guarantee because it will guarantee free college tuition and fees for the people of Richmond and Scotland counties," said Dr. Dale McInnis, president of RCC. "We want to eliminate financial excuses for why someone can't go to college or their children can't go to college. This guarantee will encourage more families to have their children take advantage of RCC's free college classes while in high school and motivate them to keep their grades up."

This guarantee will increase dual enrollment participation and college aspirations, motivate high school students to succeed and provide hope and assurance

to the people of Richmond and Scotland counties that college is affordable and accessible.

## Working Scholarship Challenge Match

McInnis also said funds from the RCC-Follett Bookstore partnership will be leveraged to grow the Working Scholarship program.

"We are issuing a Working Scholarship Challenge Match, and we will use up to \$30,000 annually from the RCC-Follett partnership to match dollar for dollar money raised by the RCC Foundation for the Working Scholarship," McInnis said. "By matching money raised by the Foundation, we will be able to double the funds in that program to help more

students get the money they need to go to college."

## Campus Jobs for Students

The other two prongs of the strategy include creating a Campus Jobs for Students program and a Student Assistance Fund.

RCC students have access to the federal Work Study program, but financial aid eligibility and regulations often prevent students from taking part in the program. Under the new strategy, students will also be able to apply and interview for part-time temporary jobs on campus.

"This will provide real life experience, teach responsibility and time management, help students pay for their education, and teach them how to balance college and work," McInnis said.

## Student Assistance Fund

The Student Assistance Fund will be a consolidation of two small student aid funds that serve as safety nets for students who may not be able to come to college for temporary, unforeseen reasons.

"The RCC Foundation works very hard to provide money for scholarships, and our Financial Aid Office also works hard to get students federal aid, but we didn't have all the wheels spinning together in the right direction," McInnis said. "We came up with this solution that leverages all our existing resources to provide maximum impact for current and prospective students.

"We are really excited to roll out these new programs that will support the college's continued growth, while greatly reducing financial barriers to a new career and better life for the people of Richmond and Scotland County," McInnis said.

# Hwy 55 makes donation for RCC scholarships

Highway 55 Rockingham store owner JR Cottle presented a check for \$4,000 from the Andy's Foundation to the Richmond Community College Foundation to support its Working Scholarship initiative.

The money will go toward four \$1,000 scholarships for eligible Hwy 55 employees or their family members who attend RCC.

"I think it is important to give our kids who work hard in our restaurants the opportunity and assistance necessary to further their careers," said Cottle.

"I speak for the Foundation Board in saying how much we all appreciate Mr. Cottle's creative generosity," RCC Foundation Executive Director Olivia Webb said. "This multi-student award supports the Foundation's Working Scholarship initiative while also encouraging and motivating Hwy 55 employees who want to get an education at RCC. I hope other local businesspeople will follow his example."

Many RCC students are working their way through school, causing them to not be



Pictured, from left to right, are Hwy 55 employees Zachary Rees and Brittany Glidewell, Hwy 55 store owner JR Cottle, RCC Foundation Executive Director Olivia Webb and RCC President Dr. Dale McInnis. Cottle presented a check on behalf of the Andy's Foundation to RCC to fund four scholarships for Hwy 55 employees or members of their family to attend RCC.

eligible for financial aid. For many, this disadvantage will prolong their time in school or even cause them to drop out. The Working Scholarship is designed to meet the needs of those students.

Dr. Dale McInnis, president of RCC, also thanked Cottle for the scholarship donation.

"The Working Scholarship was created to help students who, in essence, are being punished for working because they make too much money to qualify for federal financial aid. But they can't quit working because they have to support a family while trying to get an education," McInnis said.

"We are thankful for business owners like Mr. Cottle and all they do to support our college and our community."

*For more information about donating to the Working Scholarship, contact Olivia Webb at [bowebb@richmondcc.edu](mailto:bowebb@richmondcc.edu) or (910) 410-1807.*

## Creatively capture your holiday memories with photography class

October kicks off the holiday season, and wouldn't you like to be able to take creative and memorable family photos?

In this holiday photography class, instructor Alicia Krout will teach you tricks to make your holiday photos shine! Learn the techniques that professional photographers use to take memorable photos.

Move over, Pinterest! You

will also learn creative ways to share your photos with holiday cards, ornaments, invitations, magnets and much more!

Class will be held Thursdays from 6 to 9 p.m. Nov. 10 through Dec. 8. Cost of the class is \$70.

To sign up, call Alicia Butler, WED Programming Assistant, at (910) 410-1706 or email [ambutler979@richmondcc.edu](mailto:ambutler979@richmondcc.edu).



### Happily Working Double Duty

Larkin Wallace Webb was born on May 14, 2015. He is busy making RCC Foundation Executive Director Olivia Webb laugh a lot in her second job as a first-time mom. The Webbs extend their heartfelt thanks to the entire RCC Family for all the kindness and prayers during this joyful time!

# Meet Recipients of *The Working Scholarship*

## Naseyah McMillan

Naseyah McMillan of Wa-gram chose to attend RCC because it is conveniently located close to her home and because she wants to open a childcare center in Laurinburg that will provide children with a quality education. She is pursuing an associate degree in Early Childhood Education and is on track to graduate from RCC in 2017.

Naseyah said she is appreciative of the money she received through the Working Scholarship program to help offset the cost of college.

Going to school and working is a balancing act for Naseyah that makes every day different, but the one constant she has is making sure she spends time with her daughter every day. However, if she does find time for herself, she can be found at the gym.

Naseyah has a master's degree and has traveled many places because of the military, but she said she has already learned a lot and met many



Naseyah McMillan is enrolled in RCC's Associate Degree in Early Childhood Education program and plans to open a childcare center in Laurinburg. She received the Working Scholarship for the first time this fall semester and appreciates the financial assistance for her college education.

new people during her first semester at RCC.

Naseyah said her mother has

been a great influence in her life and has always supported her in everything she does,

such as going back to college to pursue a dream of opening a daycare center.

## *We Want Your Name to Go Here*



## **Become A Donor**

If you would like to help working students offset the costs of college, become a Working Scholarship donor by contacting Olivia Webb.

(910) 410-1807

[bowebb@richmondcc.edu](mailto:bowebb@richmondcc.edu)

## Working Scholarship Recipients ---

### Taylor Chance

Taylor Chance of Hamlet is working as a pharmacy technician at Walgreens in Rockingham and getting firsthand knowledge of what it's like to be a pharmacist, which is her career goal.

She completed RCC's Pharmacy Technician course last fall, which is offered through the College's Workforce & Economic Development division, in order to be able to begin working in this capacity.

Taylor is currently enrolled in the Associate in Science transfer degree program at RCC. After graduating from RCC next May, she plans to transfer to Wingate University and apply to its School of Pharmacy.

Taylor said one of the main reasons she chose to attend RCC is because she wasn't ready for the big university setting. At RCC, she receives one-on-one attention from her instructors and finds them very supportive of her success in school.

A typical day for Taylor includes going to class and working at Walgreens. On her



**Taylor Chance is working as a pharmacy technician while going to college at RCC. She is working toward an Associate in Science degree that will fulfill the requirements she needs to apply to Wingate University's School of Pharmacy. She has received the Working Scholarship two times and is grateful to have the funds to put toward tuition and books.**

days off, she is getting her homework done. Outside of work and school, Taylor enjoys horseback riding and has done barrel racing in the past.

This is the second time Taylor has been a recipient of the Working Scholarship, and she is very appreciative to have these funds, which help her pay

for books and tuition.

Taylor is also grateful for her mother who is always pushing her to do more and not do the minimum to get by in life.

### Thomas Alfredson

Thomas Alfredson of Rockingham loves electronics and tinkering with them, which is what he can be found doing in his free time when he's not in class or at work.

Thomas is enrolled in the Electronics Engineering Technology program at RCC. When he gets out of class in the afternoons, he heads to his sales job at Barnes Motor & Parts in Rockingham.

Thomas will graduate in May 2016 with an associate degree in Electronics Engineering, and he plans to transfer to the University of North Carolina-Charlotte where he'll

be well on his way to earning a bachelor's degree because of credits earned from RCC.

This is the third time Thomas has received the Working Scholarship, providing him with a total of \$1,500 for tuition and books. He said he is thankful to be a recipient of this scholarship because it has saved him a lot of money while he is working his way through college.

Being a working student is manageable for Thomas because his mother taught him from an early age to be strong in the face of obstacles and to be independent as well as responsible.



**Thomas Alfredson is an Electronics Engineering student at RCC who has received the Working Scholarship three times. As a student working his way through college, he is appreciative of the scholarship funds that he has received.**

## Working Scholarship Recipients ---

### Jessica Canter

When Jessica Canter of Rockingham gets out of class at RCC, she heads to her job as a clerk at Medical Center Pharmacy, where she is gaining experience in a career field she hopes to go into: pharmacy.

Jessica is working toward an Associate in Science degree, following the pre-pharmacy track to apply to Wingate University's School of Pharmacy.

A recent graduate of high school, Jessica chose to attend RCC because it was close to home where she could work and go to school, and its tuition was affordable.

She is thankful to be a recipient of the Working Scholarship because it too helps her afford college by offsetting the cost of books and tuition. She said she appreciates the Foundation providing scholarship funds for students like herself.

Jessica said her mother has been a positive force in her life and influenced her decision to go to college and pursue a career.

"My mom was a single mother who went to school and graduated with her nursing degree," Jessica said.



Jessica Canter is also focused on a career in pharmacy and is working as a clerk for Medical Center Pharmacy. Upon graduating from RCC, she plans to transfer to Wingate University, where she will apply for its School of Pharmacy. She is thankful for the RCC Foundation making the Working Scholarship possible for students like herself.

### Aaron Hodges

College is not a new place for Aaron Hodges of Rockingham. He graduated from the University of North Carolina-Charlotte with a bachelor's degree in Communication Studies in 2012.

Aaron was having trouble finding a job, so when heard about the Electric Utility Substation and Relay Technology program being offered at RCC, he decided to go back to college. While going back to school has been challenging, he said the two-year program is teaching him practical skills that will position him for a rewarding career in the utility industry.

When Aaron gets out of class in the afternoons, he heads to his job at The Country Club of North Carolina, a golf course where he does maintenance work. He is working his way through college, so he was very thankful to receive the Working Scholarship and is appreciative of the Foundation's support of this initiative.

Aaron said he looks to his brother-in-law for advice, and he's been supportive of his decision to go back to school and pursue a new career path.



A graduate of the University of North Carolina-Charlotte, Aaron Hodges has returned to college to enroll in the Electric Utility Substation and Relay Technology program at RCC. He is working at the Country Club of North Carolina while going to school.

# Vince Gill to headline DeWitt show schedule

Country Music Hall of Famer Vince Gill will headline the 2015-16 DeWitt Performing Arts Series, which will include six star-packed shows from October through April.

Gill is known for numerous early career hits such as "I Still Believe In You," "Don't Let Our Love Start Slippin' Away," "One More Last Chance," "Tryin' to Get Over You" and "Look at Us."

Traditional country music isn't the only genre in which Gill has found fame. He frequently tours as part of The Timejumpers, a country swing group, and can often be heard playing bluegrass music. His 1995 hit "Go Rest High on That Mountain" also brought him much acclaim in Gospel music circles.

Gill has sold more than 26 million albums. He has earned 18 CMA Awards and 20 Grammy Awards to date. Besides being known for his talent as a performer, musician and songwriter, Gill is regarded as one of Country Music's best-known humanitarians, participating in hundreds of charitable events throughout his career.

Gill's performance will wrap up the series in the April. All shows will begin at 7:30 p.m.

## Additional Shows

The 2015-16 DeWitt Performing Arts Series kicks off Oct. 15 with "Under the Streetlamp," featuring classic hits from artists such as Frankie Valli, Elvis Presley, Tom Jones, The Beatles, Roy Orbison and Bobby Darin. The show is the perfect balance of tender ballads and up-tempo classics, all done with the same signature harmonies and slick dance moves that have made them irresistible for generations.

The Lowe Family is slated to perform the Christmas show in December, which will feature traditional carols, as well



Last year's big headlining act was The Beach Boys. Director's Circle members got to meet two of the original members of the band before the show. Pictured are Tanya and Lee Wallace with band members.

as secular and sacred songs, and maybe even a sing-along or two.

A tribute to Frank Sinatra will kick off the new year on Jan. 21, featuring Steve Lippia, who's been described as a young Sinatra.

Attendees are encouraged to break out their bellbottoms and leisure suits for February's show, which will be a musical based on the hit 1977 movie "Saturday Night Fever." The show is packed with legendary hits from the Bee Gees, including "Stayin' Alive," "Night Fever," "Jive Talking," "You Should Be Dancing" and "How Deep is Your Love," in addition to several new songs written especially for this production.

The fifth show of the season scheduled for April 2 will also be a trip in time featuring songs from the Big Band Years. "BROADWAY: The Big Band Years" is a thrilling musical adventure and will feature hits from Gypsy, 42nd Street, Damn Yankees, Kiss Me Kate, Guys and Dolls, Annie Get Your Gun, West Side Story, and On The Town.

The Great White Way was a magnificent platform for a staggering number of hit songs during the Big Band era. Popularized by stars of radio and television, these standards included "The Lady Is A Tramp," "My Funny Valentine," "Luck Be a Lady," "I Got Rhythm," and "I Get a Kick Out of You," and it became part of the Great American Songbook.

The energetic show features an on-stage 12-piece band featuring soloists with Broadway credits.

## Ticket Information

Season tickets holders from the 2014-2015 season are being given first opportunity to renew the seats they had for the past season. After that, new subscribers will be assigned seats.

Season ticket prices range from \$115 to \$145 per seat and include reserved-seating tickets for all six shows. Although individual show tickets may be available, purchasing season tickets affords patrons a large cost savings and guarantees seats for the shows.

## Box Office Hours

**Monday - Thursday**  
8:30 to 4:30 p.m.

**Friday**  
8:30 to 2 p.m.

**(910) 410-1691**  
[www.richmondcc.edu/cole-auditorium](http://www.richmondcc.edu/cole-auditorium)

"Our season ticket prices are cheaper than what you will find for comparable season line-ups in other cities in large part thanks to the support of the Carrie B. DeWitt family, who has help with financial support since the facility opened in 1999," said Cole Auditorium Director Joey Bennett.

Cole Auditorium staff will be offering patrons who purchase season tickets the opportunity to join The Director's Circle. This optional membership-giving program supports the RCC Foundation and offers special privileges for members, including a reception before each show and the possibility to meet and greet performers.

# RCC makes regional, national headlines

Richmond Community College has made major headlines over the past month for its progressive programs and enrollment initiatives.

**News & Observer Article**  
RCC became the first institution of higher learning in North Carolina to roll out a plan that would provide two years of free tuition and fees, which was a story picked up by the Raleigh News & Observer. Reporter Jane Stancill pointed out that while free community college has been touted on the national scene, Richmond Community College is carrying out the goal for students in two economically distressed counties.

“The plan, dubbed the RichmondCC Guarantee, promises two free years of college for students of public, private and home schools who have at least a 3.0 grade-point average and two college courses under their belts,” the News & Observer reported in the article that ran Sept. 6 in the newspaper.

The guarantee, which goes into starts next fall for 2016 high school graduates residing in Richmond and Scotland counties, has three requirements. Students must graduate high school with at least a 3.0 unweighted grade-point average, successfully complete two RCC college classes through the Career and College Promise dual enrollment program for high school students, and complete the RCC scholarship and federal financial aid application processes.

The News & Observer reporter also contacted several of RCC’s students to get their take on the RichmondCC Guarantee.

The article states: “Jesse Hardee, 17, a senior at Richmond Senior High School, already has

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## Creating The Utility Employee Of The Future



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America’s electric industry is facing many challenges in the coming years. One of the main hurdles to be addressed is the looming talent gap, as an increasingly large number of today’s utility employees will soon be eligible for retirement. At the same time, as the nature of the grid changes, the skills-set for the utility employee of tomorrow is morphing as well.

For the utilities, this poses a significant problem. However, for the eligible employee with the right skills, this represents an opportunity to land a highly lucrative and secure job. The questions, then, are how to rapidly match employer and would-be employee, and how to equip this new workforce with the skills it will need to support a changing industry into the future.

That’s where Doble Engineering Company and Richmond Community College (RCC) come into the picture with the latter’s unique two-year [Electric Utility Substation Relay](#)



**Pictured above is a screenshot of the article featuring RCC’s Electric Utility Substation & Relay Technology program that appeared on Forbes magazine’s website on Sept. 4.**

taken three community college classes and is enrolled in two more. He’s already decided he’s going for the RichmondCC Guarantee.

‘It saves money, and it helps me get college courses out of the way,’ said Hardee, who eventually wants to earn a master’s in nursing. ‘It gives me a big jump.’”

**The News & Observer article can be read in its entirety online at [www.newsobserver.com/news/local/education/article34255587.html](http://www.newsobserver.com/news/local/education/article34255587.html)**

### Forbes Article

RCC’s flagship energy program also made big news last month when it was featured Sept. 4 in an article on Forbes magazine’s website. Steve Lampley, lead instructor for the Electric Utility Substation and Relay Technology (EUSRT) program, had a phone interview with a writer for Forbes who

was interested in learning about the two-year degree program unique to RCC.

In the article, Forbes contributor Peter Kelly-Detwiler addressed challenges in the electric industry, which includes a retiring workforce.

The article states: “For the utilities, this poses a significant problem. However, for the eligible employee with the right skills, this represents an opportunity to land a highly lucrative and secure job. The questions, then, are how to rapidly match employer and would-be employee, and how to equip this new workforce with the skills it will need to support a changing industry into the future.

“That’s where Doble Engineering Company and Richmond Community College come into the picture with the latter’s unique two-year Electric Utility Substation Relay Technology Program.”

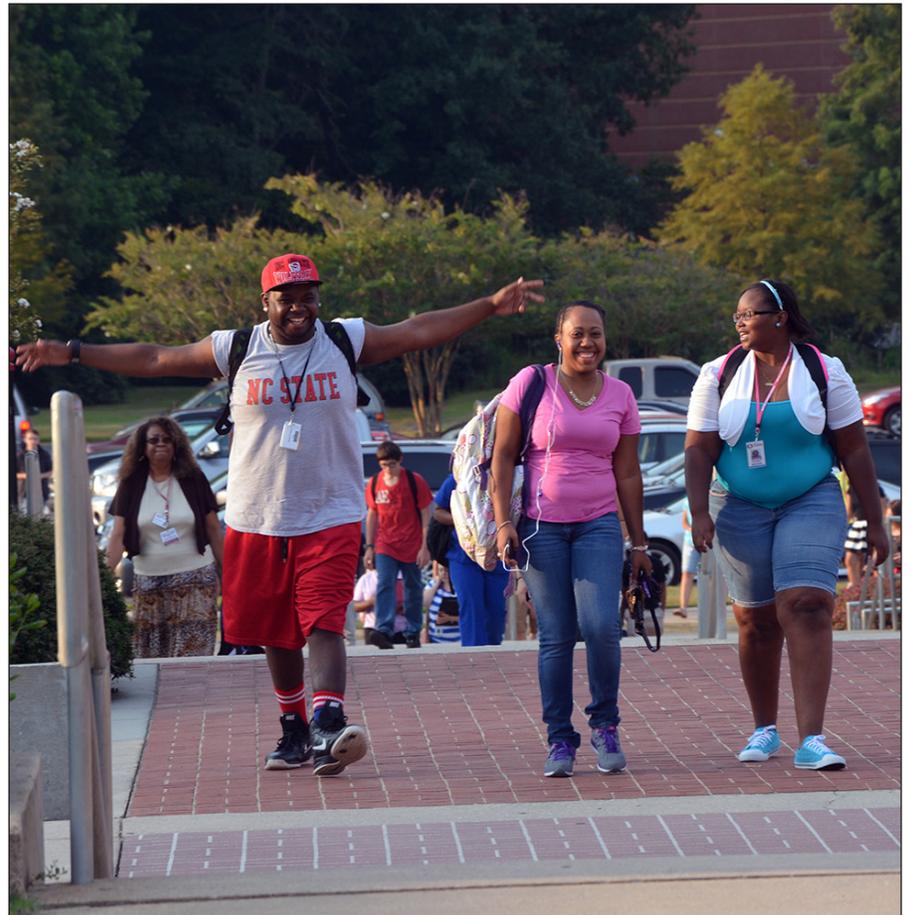
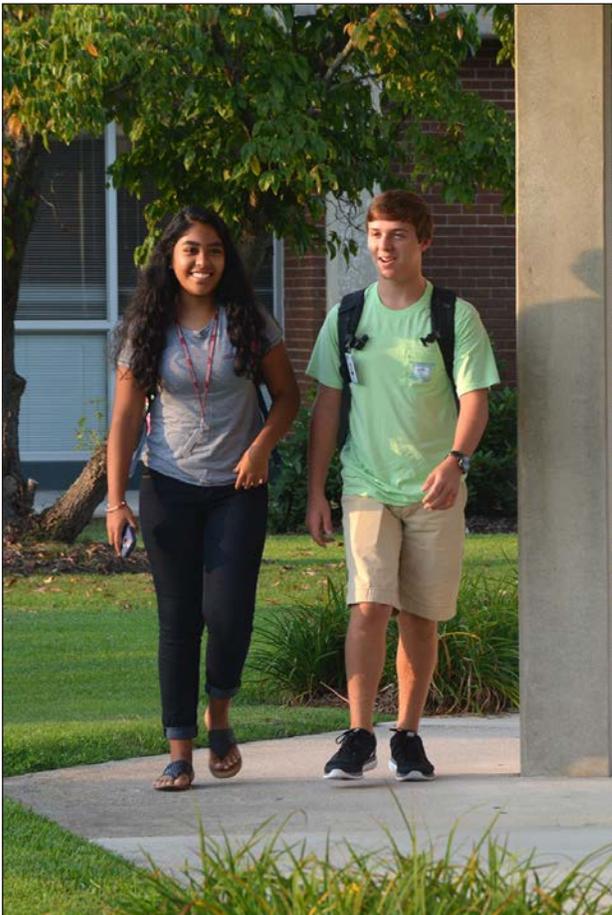
Lampley explains in the

article that the EUSRT program is extremely rigorous because they are preparing a workforce to maintain the electric power grid.

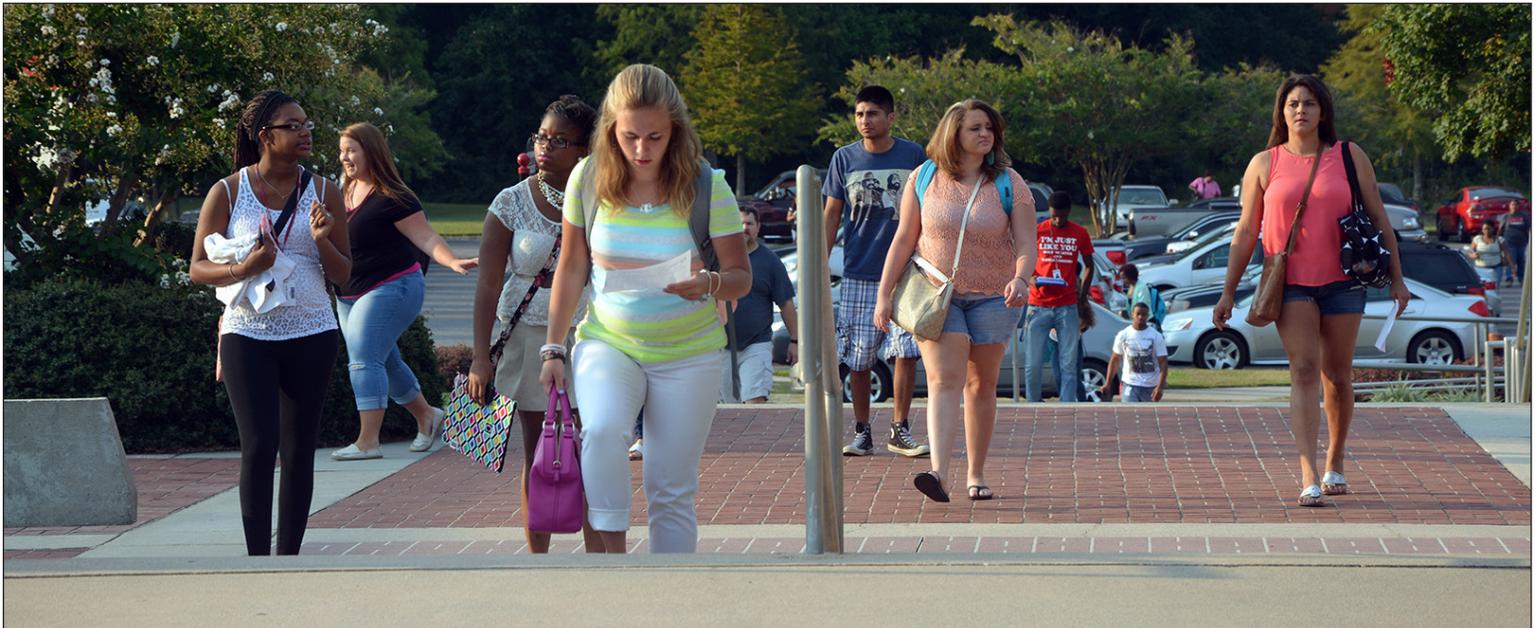
Lampley is quoted in the article saying, “You have to understand the consequences of making a mistake. If you make a mistake you can black out a town – it’s a pretty high-skilled job and you have to be procedure and detail oriented...We decided to teach it like it needs to be taught, and tested like it needs to be tested. We weren’t going to socially pass anybody. It’s 50% theory and 50% hands on training. If you can test a transformer here, you can test any transformer in the world no matter how big it is.”

**The Forbes article can be viewed in its entirety online at [www.forbes.com/site/peterdetwiler/2015/09/04/creating-the-utility-employee-of-the-future/](http://www.forbes.com/site/peterdetwiler/2015/09/04/creating-the-utility-employee-of-the-future/)**

# RCC Students Head *Back to Classroom!*



# Fall Semester in Full Swing ---



# Employees rewarded with *A Day of Festivities!*

Four years ago RCC started setting aside one day in the calendar when there are no classes, no meetings and College faculty and staff can have some fun, food and fellowship together. Besides a delicious meal prepared by master chef Brent Barbee and crew, the day includes a variety of games and activities designed to allow RCC's employees to get to know one another better. Highlights from this year's RCC Employee Appreciation Day on Sept. 22 included a cookie bake off won by **Holly Brown**, a lip sync battle won by **Cayce Holmes**, Family Feud won by folks from the **Lee Building** and the annual cornhole tournament, which saw the team of **Robbie Taylor** and **Sheri Dunn-Ramsay** taking out reigning champions **Dr. Dale McInnis** and **Jay Wagers**. Ultimately, the team of **Ronnie Caulder** and **Tug Gainey** had the winning toss and were crowned Cornhole Champions for 2015.

