

October 2017

High School Newsletter

Dear Education Partners,

I hope you enjoyed our September newsletter. We want to make you aware of some big changes at South Piedmont Community College. SPCC is excited to announce that the official email account for students will now be Office 365! In addition, the new college application will be launched on Monday, October 23. The new application will not require counselor approval for students to select Career and College Promise pathways. As registration for Career and College Promise begins and College Application Week approaches, we will be available to assist at any time, if needed.

With warm regards,

Enrollment Services
South Piedmont Community College

Program Spotlight: Accounting Degree

The accounting curriculum is designed to provide students with the knowledge and the skills necessary for employment and growth in the accounting profession. Accountants assemble, analyze, process, and communicate essential information about financial operations. Students study business law, finance, management, and economics as well as communications, computer applications, financial analysis, critical thinking, and ethics. Graduates generally qualify for entry-level accounting positions at accounting



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Upcoming Events

October 9

Spring registration begins
(Current & CCP students)

October 23

Spring registration for
(New & returning students)

October 24

Trunk or Treat event

November 20

Thanksgiving Holiday -
College is closed for the
week (November 20- 24)

Important Announcements

**As of October 2, 2017
Gmail has changed to
Office 365**

**October 4, 2017 –
Implementation of
Residence
Determination Service
(RDS)**

firms, manufacturers, small businesses, banks, hospitals, school systems, and government agencies. SPCC offers the following Degrees, Diplomas, and Certificates in Accounting:

- Accounting Degree – (A25100)
- Accounting Certificate - (C25100)
- Bookkeeping Certificate – (C25100A)

For more information, contact the Department Chair, Mrs. Fedder R. Williams, at 704.290.5877 or f-williams@spcc.edu. You can also visit the link to the Accounting page: <http://www.spcc.edu/accounting/>

Spring 2018 Registration

We will begin registering current and new CCP students next week. **Please be sure to arrange a time for your assigned recruiter to visit your school and register your students.** Classes are all first come, first serve; and we want your students to get the best schedule available in the coming semester. Remember, your students are only able to take classes in their authorized program of study, and we want to encourage program completion. Below is our current schedule and we look forward to adding other high school registration visits in the coming weeks:



October 9 - Metrolina Christian Academy / Homeschool Students
October 10 - Porter Ridge HS / Marvin Ridge HS
October 12 - Anson HS / Cuthbertson HS
October 13 - Union Academy
October 16 - Marvin Ridge HS (New students) / Forest Hills HS
October 17 - Porter Ridge HS (New students) / Weddington HS
October 19 - Anson Youth Career Connect HS / Sun Valley HS
October 20 - Weddington HS (New students)

Career and College Promise (CCP) Updates

New Application: With the launch of our new college application, the need to approve students through the CFNC Professional Center is no longer required. When students select Career & College Promise as their entrance status, the CTP and CTE pathways will be listed. It is important that students select the correct pathway of interest. In addition, it is now more important than ever that we make sure students are eligible. Frequent communication will be required!

SSN & Student Number: Students must enter their social security number on college applications to ensure successful submission. Applications without a social security number included are not automatically downloaded; this creates an issue for admissions officers who are required to manually retype all information into data systems. Please make sure students also enter their student number.

Transcript: Students can send their transcripts to SPCC by selecting "Send Transcript" through CFNC at www.cfnc.org.

More Important News

Residency Determination Service

The Residency Determination Service (RDS) is alive and well, and students and families need to incorporate the completion of this vital step into the college application process.

We recommend that students and families take a systematic approach to applying for college by doing the following:

1. Create an FSA ID at www.studentaid.gov/fsaid
2. Complete the FAFSA at www.fafsa.gov
3. Get a Residency Determination Number at www.ncresidency.org
4. Apply to college at www.cfnc.org
5. Send transcripts to colleges at www.cfnc.org
6. Complete application and registration processes at colleges

In the Community

CACRAO FAIR

- Union County – October 15, 2 pm- 4 pm at the Union County Agriculture Center
- Anson County - October 16, 9 am-11 am at Anson High School

OCT. 5 - MAKE IT IN UNION COUNTY SHOWCASE EVENT

Open to the public, including students, parents, teachers, veterans, and anyone interested in manufacturing in Union County. Manufacturers will present table-top exhibits, hands-on activities, and videos showing how products are made in Union County. In addition, some manufacturers will have representatives on site to discuss current job openings at their facilities.

Great opportunity to learn more about manufacturing and the exciting high-tech processes and equipment used in today's manufacturing.

3-6 pm at SPCC, 4209 Old Charlotte Hwy., Monroe, NC, Salon A & B

Learn more about Make It In Union County by visiting MakeItInUnionCounty

Students and parents need to work on steps 1 – 4 together as many students do not have access to the information needed to complete the Residency Determination Service items and most of the FSA ID items.

Three KEY messages:

1. The earliest a student should complete RDS is July before senior year in HS
2. Do RDS while doing the FASFA because both need similar information
3. Do RDS as early as the student (senior in HS) can:
 - It does not hurt to do it early in the senior year
 - Keep Residency Certification Number (RCN) in a safe place
 - Provide RCN to colleges as part of application and admissions process

NC Community Colleges – provide RCN on CFNC applications

UNC campuses – provide RCN when requested on the application or during the admissions process

NCICU -- Independents – provide as part of the Financial Aid process when requested

South Piedmont Community College is ready to provide assistance and be your college of choice!

RDS resources are available at www.cfnc.org/rdsresources

New Email – Office 365 for Students

SPCC is excited to announce that on Monday, October 2, the official email account for students became Office 365! Students will now be able to enjoy benefits such as:

- 1 TB of OneDrive Storage
- Calendar (which syncs with College appointments/events), and
- FREE Office 2016 downloads on up to 5 computers

In preparation of the switch, students can visit the [SPCC website](#) for instructions for logging into Office 365, downloading Office 2016, and transferring emails from their Gmail account to Office 365, if desired. After Sunday, October 1, no SPCC email will be sent to the old Gmail account; all SPCC email will be sent to the new Office 365 account.



The new email address is username@student.spcc.edu ("student" is singular); simply drop the "s" on your current email address.

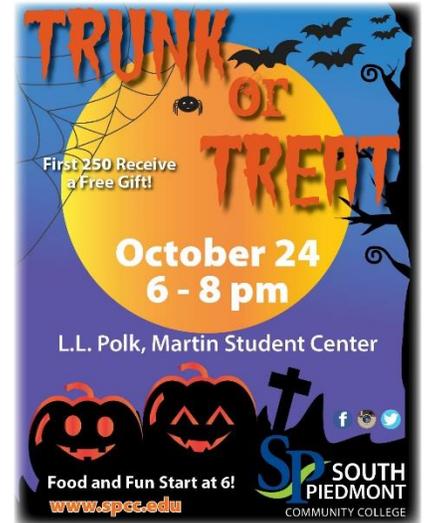
Flyers are posted around the College as visual reminders.

Please note that although all email will be sent to the new email address beginning October 2, students will still have access to their old Gmail account for a limited time so that they may transfer files and/or email, if desired. Students will be notified when access will stop.

Trunk or Treat

In an effort to enhance awareness of our programs and services in the eastern portion of our service area and to provide an opportunity to connect with our community, South Piedmont is hosting a community **TRUNK or TREAT** Event at the **LL Polk Campus** on **October 24, 2017** (Tuesday evening) from **6:00 pm-8:00 pm**.

Exciting Events



Installation of Dr. Maria Pharr

At an Installation Ceremony on October 6, South Piedmont Community College and its Board of Trustees will officially welcome Dr. Maria Pharr as the College's fourth President. The invitation-only event will be followed by a celebration with food and fun in honor of Dr. Pharr as well as the proud history—and bright future—of South Piedmont Community College.

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