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The logo of Midlands Technical College is a circular emblem. It features a dark blue outer ring with the words "MIDLANDS" at the top and "TECHNICAL COLLEGE" at the bottom in white capital letters. Inside the ring is a white circle containing a stylized blue graphic of vertical bars of varying heights, resembling a sound wave or a bar chart. Below this graphic, the text "EST. 1974" is written in a small, orange, sans-serif font.

*Thunderful
Years*









Dear Friends,

2024 was one for the books for Midlands Technical College. All year long, the college and community celebrated **#50ThunderfulYears** of helping students follow their inner Mavericks.

Since the college's inception in 1974, MTC has been a pathway for students to step into vibrant and strong futures. We've been catalysts of innovation and prosperity for so many businesses, and we've been a steady foundation on which our community has come to rely.

We couldn't do this transformative work without the solid support we've been so fortunate to have from community partners like you. So, please, let me take this moment to thank you.

I actually began my tenure as MTC's 7th president on the college's 50th birthday – July 1, 2024. The dates lined up as coincidence, but the significance is not lost on me. I'm proud to be part of an institution with such a rich history, and I'm looking forward to working together with you on the first chapter of our next 50 years.

I hope you'll enjoy these highlights of MTC's 50th year, take a few small trips back in time, and see how your support is preparing Mavericks for lifelong success.

Sincerely,

Dr. Greg Little
MTC President

Follow Your Inner Maverick

Mavericks are strong and independent. They know that to lead, you first have to follow. To follow your inner voice, to tear down fences, and charge forward on your new path.



2014

The college introduces the new “M” logo and the primary colors of blue and gold to focus on MTC being the “Real Deal.”



circa 1996

“You Can Get Anywhere from Here” slogan





50 Years in a Flash

In MTC's first 50 years, the college saw major expansions with campuses and partnerships.

Monday, July 1, 1974

Palmer College, Midlands TEC, and Columbia TEC officially merge to create Midlands Technical College.



1979

Harbison Junior College land is donated to become Harbison Campus.

1991

The college purchases 150 acres in northeast Richland County that would make way for MTC's Northeast and Enterprise campuses.



1999

The Bridge Program and Gamecock Gateway are established with the University of South Carolina.



2003

Northeast Campus is home to the 50,000-square-foot Center for Excellence in Technology. In 2013, the campus expands with the Engineering Technology and Sciences Building.



2008

The Business Accelerator opens, providing space for emerging companies to ramp up production and co-locate on the college's Northeast Campus.

2010

The Fairfield Campus gives local residents a new way to train for high-demand jobs close to home on 10,600 square feet of classrooms and industrial bays.

2016

Michelin Tech Scholars is MTC's first Registered Apprenticeship Program. In 2024, the college reached 2,000+ apprentices.



Watch 50 years unfold.



2019

MTC is designated a Purple Heart College.



2019

The Ritedose Corporation is the first company to build and open on the Enterprise Campus, an industrial park for industries looking for prime development space and partnership with a technically focused academic institution.

2024

Lexington North Lake Center begins offering academic and training classes in the Lexington One North Lake Community Learning Center.

Far Out

MTC was the only college in S.C. (and one of only 37 nationwide) to participate in the Student Spaceflight Experiments Program Mission 18. The students' research was launched to the International Space Station in November 2024.



Let's hear it for the team

Four students, a lab technician, and a faculty advisor researched how microgravity affects the production of calcium oxalate crystals in edible greens. The scientific study is important to long-duration spaceflight as possible sources of nutrition that can be grown in space are considered.





Watch Maverick research launch into outer space.



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The group traveled to Kennedy Space Center, Florida to watch their project blast into space. On the ISS, astronauts operated the experiment over approximately six weeks.

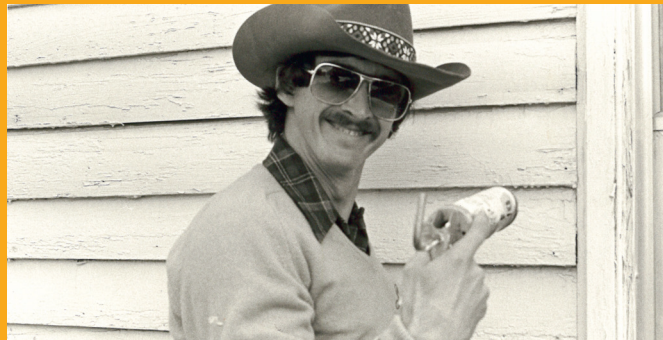
Building On

When MTC was founded 50 years ago, one of the key focus areas was skilled trades. That commitment remains today with now more than 40 programs in the School of Advanced Manufacturing and Skilled Trades.



1977

Carpentry students build a house from the ground up, later to be sold at public auction. The project was reinvigorated in 2024 with a focus on fiscal sustainability for the Building Construction Technology program.



A Winning Combination

In the SkillsUSA's 2024 national competition, MTC won third place in Building Construction Technology and Architectural Drafting, and competed in Welding and IT after state wins. Sponsors included Mungo Homes and the Michael J. Mungo Foundation, Michelin, and Jumper Carter Sease Architects.





Growing Building Construction

The Lowe's Foundation awarded the MTC Foundation \$1 million as a part of a select group of community and technical colleges receiving Gable Grants. MTC will use the funding to expand the Building Construction Technology program.



12 Seasons in the Most Colorful Seats in Town

Harbison Theatre is the only performing-arts theatre in S.C. existing within a technical college.

The view from these seats was great in 2024.



The MTC Showoff
March 30, 2024



The War and Treaty
November 1, 2024



**The Boxmasters with
Billy Bob Thornton**
October 18, 2024



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October 13, 2024



Feeling the Thunder

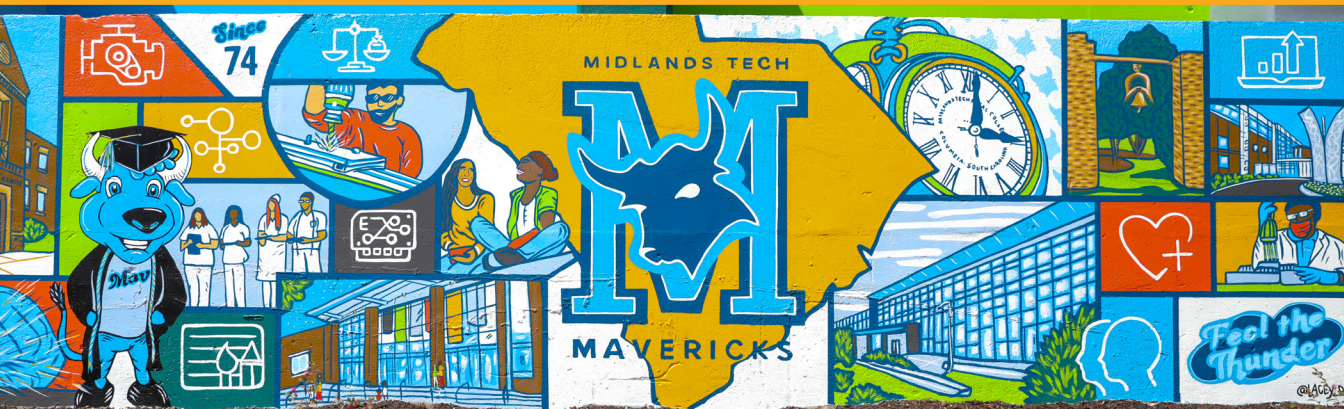
To celebrate the college's 50th anniversary, MTC held several signature events for students, faculty, staff, and alumni.

Catch a glimpse into Dr. Greg Little's first few days as MTC's 7th president.



This is the day

On July 1, 2024, MTC officially rang in 50 years, all while celebrating the new president's first day.



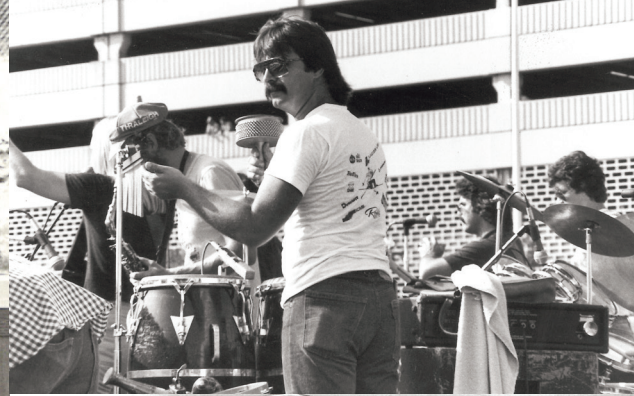
ThunderFest

In celebration of MTC's 50th year, ThunderFest was a signature event for students and alumni. Held on the Beltline Campus in April, the event featured the unveiling of a new mural, live music, food trucks, and a variety of games and activities.









Bring it on home

Inside MTC's 50th anniversary homecoming
October 11, 2024 | Airport Campus

School of Adv

Back in time

MTC Commission Chair Sandra Jackson presented a time capsule built and decorated by MTC students. The capsule will be filled with MTC memorabilia to be buried on the Airport Campus and opened in 2049.

School of Education and Public Service



2022⁴⁴

The Building Construction Technology program wins gold at the 2022 SkillsUSA National Competition, the first national title in the building trades for a South Carolina technical college



2023⁴⁵

The Center for Business and Information Technologies, a four-story, 58,245-square-foot building representing a \$30 million capital investment opens to supports workforce development in the Midlands



2014⁴⁶
The college introduces the new "M" logo and the primary colors of blue and gold to focus on MTC being the "Real Deal"

\$500k

2014⁴⁷
Walter Jerry Wood Life Skills Center opens on Airport Campus with a \$500,000 gift from Lou Kennedy



2015⁴⁸

Dr. Ronald L. Broussard

President and June 30

2016⁴⁹

A year after becoming

president, Dr. Rhonda

Holmes introduces the

day to celebrate H&S

Heritage, a historically

college previously on

Heritage Campus



2016⁵⁰

Michelle Tech Richards

MTC's first Registered

Apprenticeship Program

In 2016, the college with

2,500 apprentices on

Heritage Campus



2017⁵¹
The \$10.5 million Learning Resource Center opens on Airport Campus with 43,000 square feet in 1967



SOS



Advanced Manufacturing and Skilled Trades

School of Business

School of Interdisciplinary Studies

School of English and Humanities

School of Health Care

School of Social and Behavioral Sciences





School of Science, Information Technology, Engineering, and Math





In celebration of 50 years in education at Midlands Technical College, the alumni, faculty, staff, and students dedicate this campus landmark and the beauty that surrounds it to be forever known as The Compass.

The original compass was completed in 2002 and featured eight pathways that now represent eight schools of study that come together as one.

May every Maverick cross the center of
The Compass and discover their own direction.

Friday, October 11, 2024



Past, Presidents, Future

Dr. Gregory D. Little was inaugurated as MTC's president on November 19, 2024. The evening celebrated Dr. Little's contributions to education and his vision for the college.

"Education has the power to make dreams come true... We must be open to all the possibilities. We want to stay curious. What we can accomplish as individuals will never be as great as what we can accomplish together," said Dr. Little in his inauguration speech.



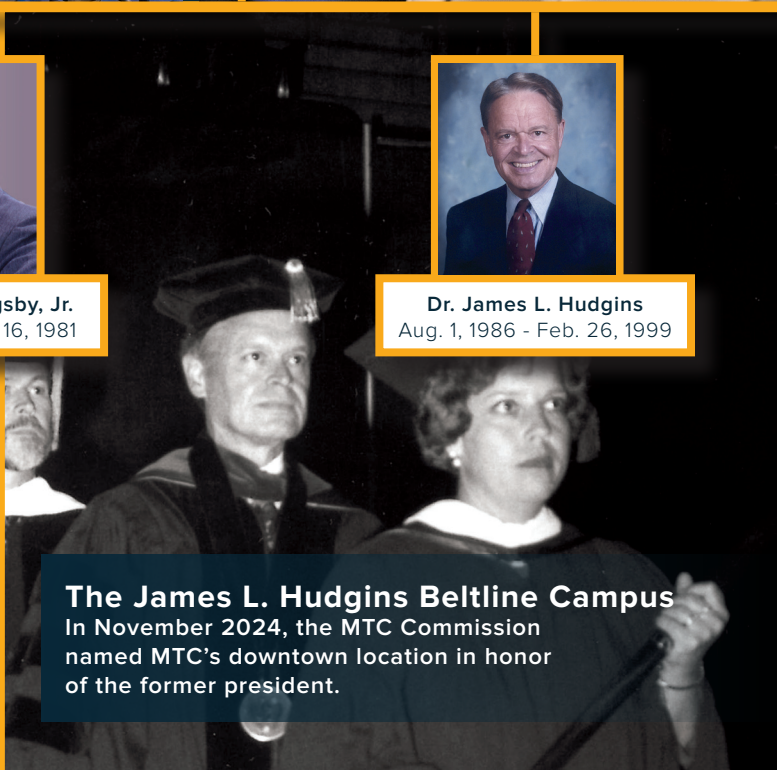
Dr. James R. Morris, Jr.
Feb. 12, 1982 - May 31, 1986



Mr. Robert L. Grigsby, Jr.
Jan. 1, 1963 - Nov. 16, 1981



Dr. James L. Hudgins
Aug. 1, 1986 - Feb. 26, 1999



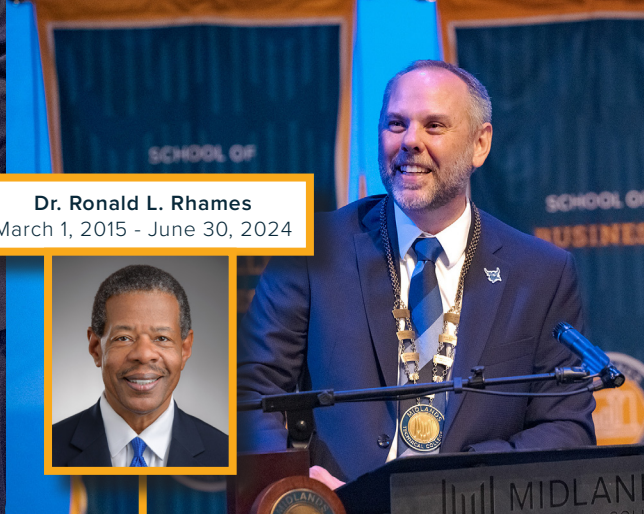
The James L. Hudgins Beltline Campus
In November 2024, the MTC Commission named MTC's downtown location in honor of the former president.



Dr. Barry W. Russell
Sept. 1, 1999 – Dec. 31, 2005



Dr. Ronald L. Rhames
March 1, 2015 - June 30, 2024



Dr. Marshall White, Jr.
April 1, 2006 – Feb. 28, 2015



Dr. Gregory D. Little
July 1, 2024 – Present



Honors for Dr. Ronald L. Rhames

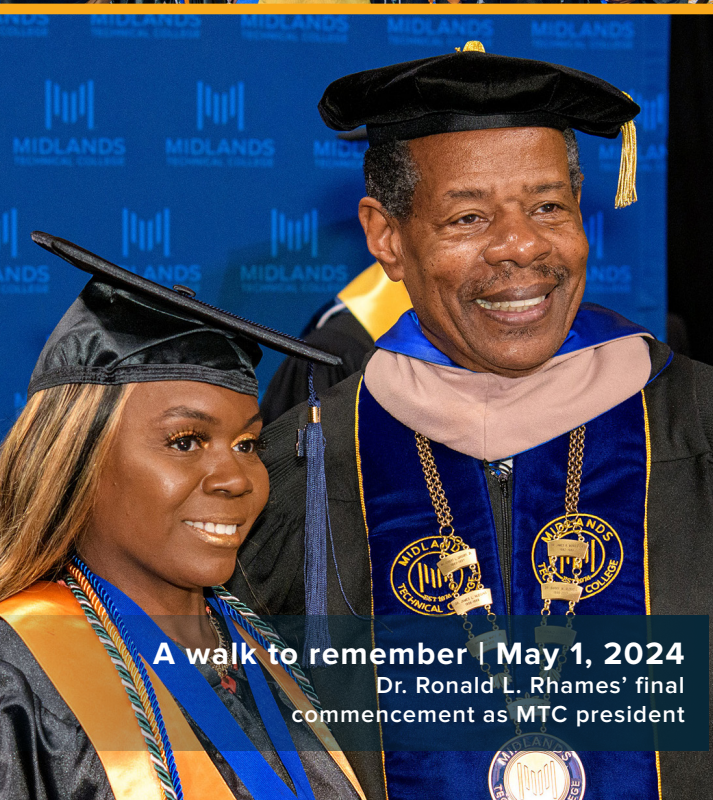
In 2024, outgoing president Rhames was bestowed the Order of the Palmetto from the S.C. Governor's Office and had both the MTC Harbison Campus and a street beside the MTC Beltline Campus named in his honor.

Turning the Tassel

1300+ academic students earned associate degrees, diplomas, and certificates.

2100+ corporate and continuing education students earned certificates and other credentials

1400+ dual enrollment students earned concurrent college and high school credentials



A walk to remember | May 1, 2024

Dr. Ronald L. Rhames' final
commencement as MTC president





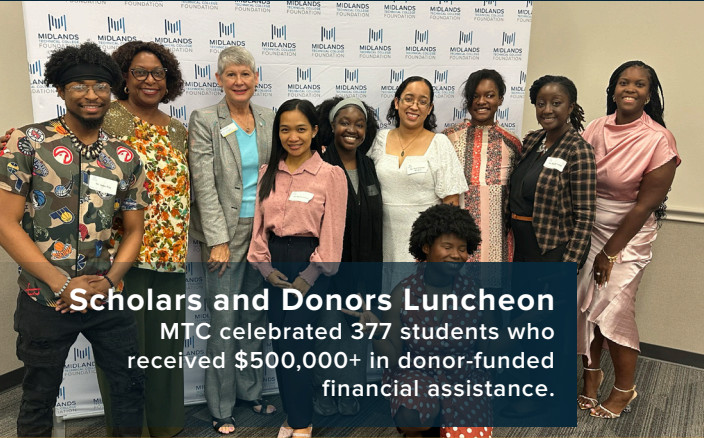
The stage is set | December 4, 2024
Dr. Greg Little's first commencement as MTC president

June 10, 1974
MTC's first commencement exercises



Generosity Changing Lives

With the help of individual and corporate donors, MTC is able to make higher education even more accessible and affordable.

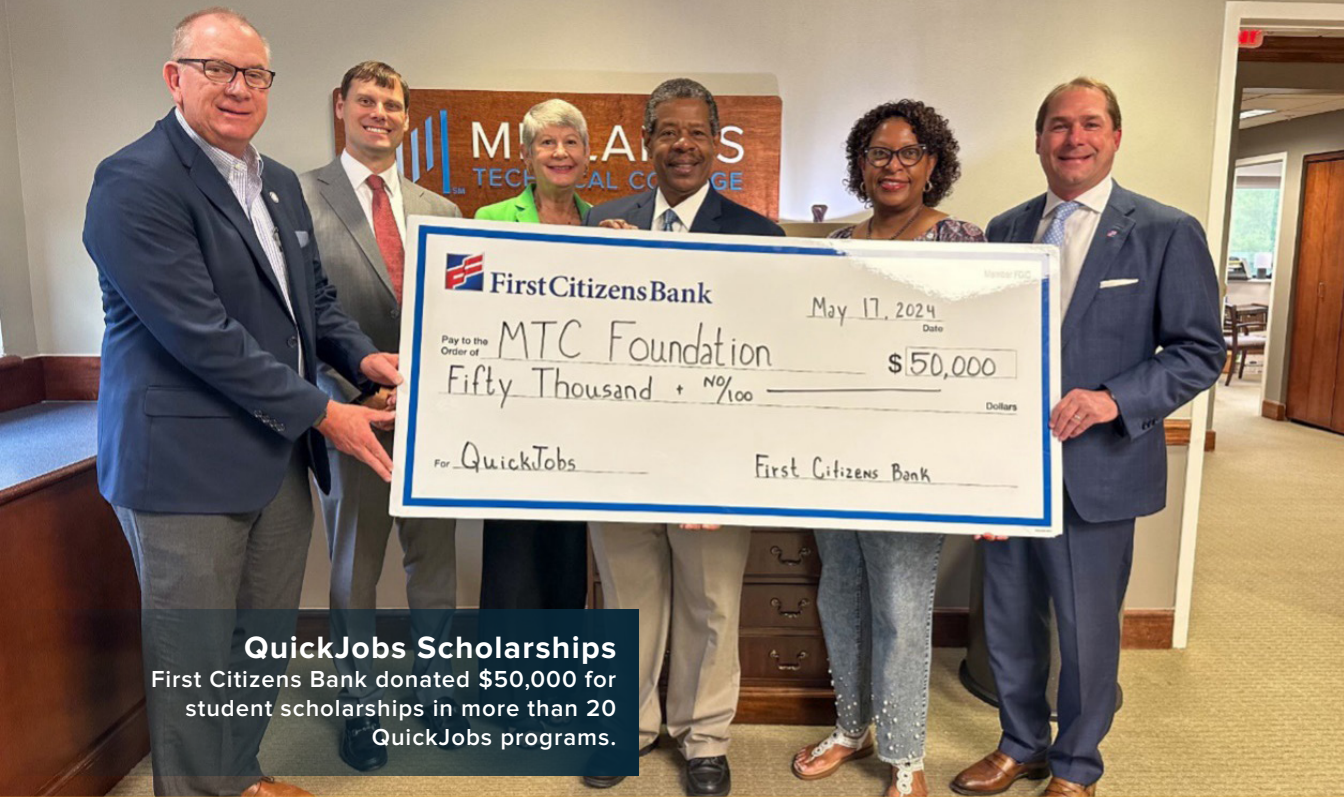


Scholars and Donors Luncheon
MTC celebrated 377 students who received \$500,000+ in donor-funded financial assistance.



4th Annual MTC Golf Classic
More than \$140,000 was raised to support 50 MTC student scholarships, including those for active-duty military, veterans, and their families.





QuickJobs Scholarships

First Citizens Bank donated \$50,000 for student scholarships in more than 20 QuickJobs programs.



Career Launch Grants

Dominion Energy donated \$50,000 fund the tools, equipment, and other resources students need to pursue their career paths.

Maverick Strong

By following their inner Mavericks, MTC students grow as leaders on campus and beyond. Through MTC's accessible, high-quality education, personal dreams are made real, the local economy grows, and the Midlands is continually revitalized.



\$1 BILLION+

ANNUAL ECONOMIC IMPACT IN THE CENTRAL MIDLANDS

23,000+ students served annually

12,600+

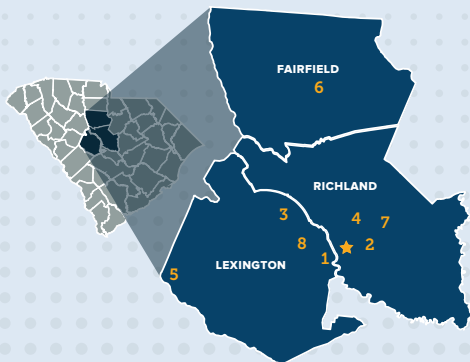
Academic and Dual Enrollment students

11,100+

Corporate and Continuing Education students

MTC IN THE MIDLANDS

Serving 3 counties in central South Carolina



- 1 **Airport Campus**
West Columbia
- 2 **Beltline Campus**
Columbia
- 3 **Harbison Campus**
Irmo
- 4 **Northeast Campus**
Northeast Columbia
- 5 **Batesburg-Leesville Campus**
Batesburg-Leesville
- 6 **Fairfield Campus**
Winnsboro
- 7 **Fort Jackson Center**
Fort Jackson
- 8 **Lexington North Lake Center**
Lexington

#1

MTC has the largest enrollment in the state technical system, serving 23,000+ combined academic and corporate and continuing education students annually.

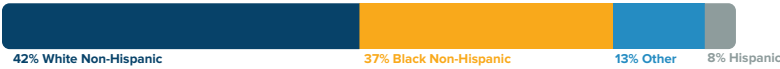
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MTC serves the largest population of Veteran Educational Benefit recipients out of all the technical colleges in South Carolina. MTC also is the only VetSuccess on Campus site in S.C.

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MTC's Corporate and Continuing Education workforce training division is the largest in the Palmetto State.

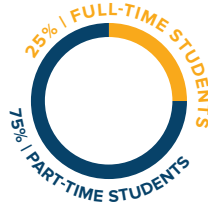
DEMOGRAPHICS



 **MALE 36%**

 **FEMALE 64%**

Average Age = 25



99%
of MTC graduates are
employed or continuing
their education within six
months of graduation.

83%
of MTC students call Richland, Lexington, and
Fairfield counties home, and the vast majority
of graduates remain in the Midlands to live,
work, and contribute to the economy.

{150+}

degree, diploma, and
certificate programs offered in
8 Schools of Study

- > The School of Advanced Manufacturing and Skilled Trades
- > The School of Business
- > The School of Education and Public Service
- > The School of English and Humanities
- > The School of Health Care
- > The School of Science, Information Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM)
- > The School of Social and Behavioral Sciences
- > The School of Interdisciplinary Studies

DUAL ENROLLMENT

1,300+

dedicated high school students enrolled in DE@MTC
to get a jump start on their college education.

2023-2024 Course Offerings

47% - Career

53% - General Education



Expanding Access to Education and Careers

In 2024, several partnerships and agreements further enhanced students' ability to seamlessly transfer to four-year colleges and receive valuable career training during both the high school and college years.



On-the-Job Training, In High School

The Midlands Youth Apprenticeship Program was relaunched with the signing of six new high school juniors. These students will work as pre-nursing apprentices at Prisma Health, spending their last two years in high school gaining on-the-job training.



Statewide Transfer Partnership

Through a new partnership agreement, the SC Technical College System and SC Public Research Universities have further streamlined the student transfer experience.



“Tech to Teach” Program

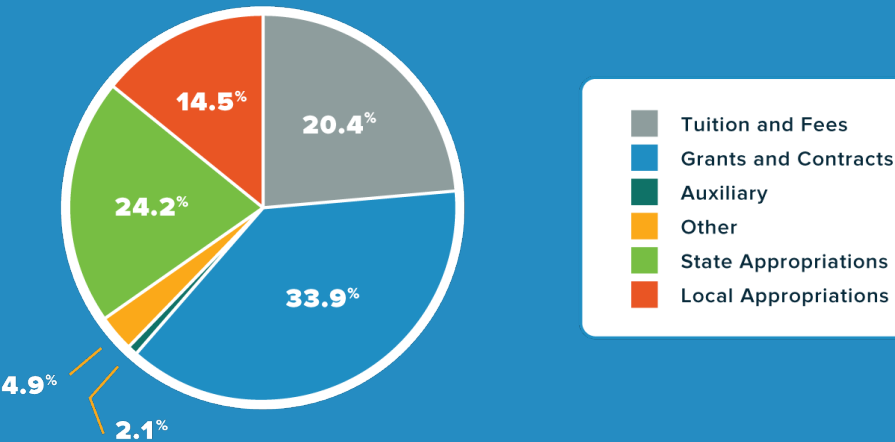
SC Technical College System students now have a seamless transfer pathway to Columbia College’s online Early Childhood and Special Education programs.



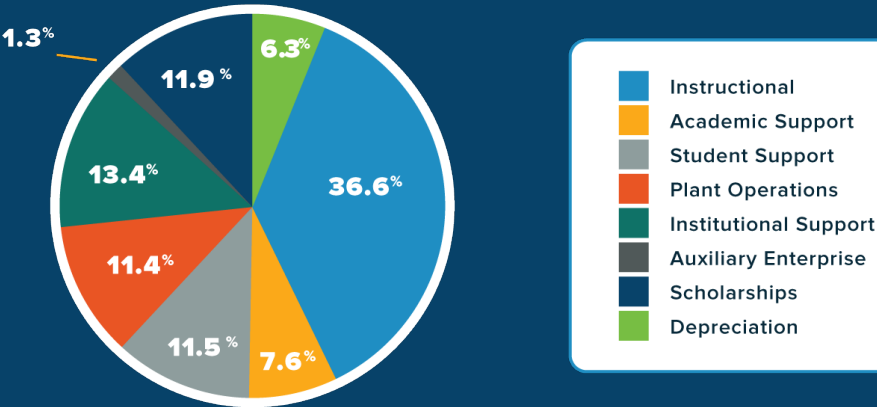
Midlands Technical College Financials



MTC Revenue by Source
Fiscal Year 2024

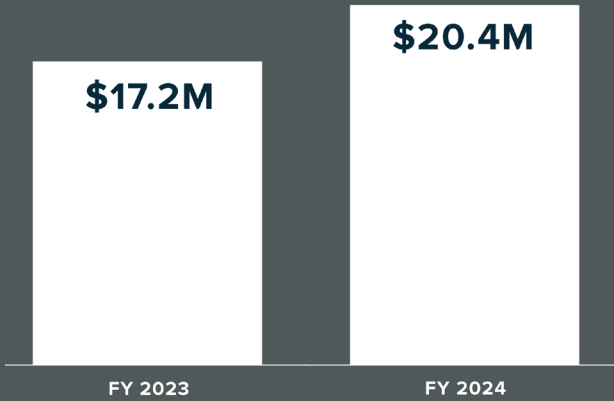


MTC Operating Expenses by Function
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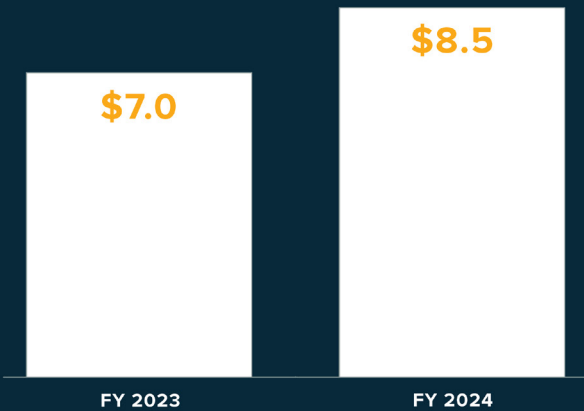




MTC Foundation Net Assets



MTC Enterprise Campus Authority Net Position



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MTC's admissions counselors are ready to help.

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The next chapter starts now.