



Fairview Heights Elementary School teacher Kasey Knight sits among her smiling third-graders.

## Homegrown Teacher

Kasey Knight of Richmond County is a prime example of a “home-grown teacher.” She teaches third grade at Fairview Heights Elementary School in Hamlet, the very school she once attended as a young child.

“One of my former teachers is now my teammate on the third-grade team at Fairview,” she said.



**Kasey Knight**

Knight is a 2020 graduate of Richmond Community College who pursued her degree in education through the “Grow-

ing Our Own Teachers” transfer pathway. She graduated in 2022 from the University of North Carolina-Pembroke with a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education with a concentration in Special Education.

### Pipeline for Teachers

Students who participate in the Growing Our Own Teachers program complete two years of coursework at RichmondCC and then complete the remaining two years of coursework at

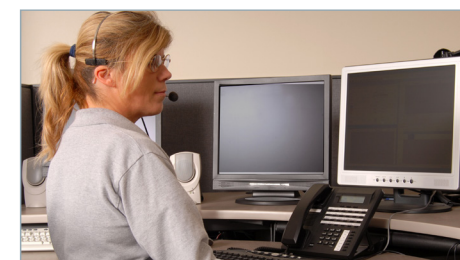
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## New Programs Coming to RichmondCC



### Surgical Technology

The Surgical Technology program will prepare students for careers as surgical technicians, which are in high demand by area hospitals and surgical centers. Students will earn the credentials to get a job after completing just two semesters of study.



### 911 Telecommunications

The 911 Telecommunications program is for individuals who are interested in starting a career in this field, as well as providing skills enhancement for those already working as 911 telecommunicators. It is an associate degree program that will be offered 100 percent online, so anyone anywhere can sign up for this college program that is unique to RichmondCC.

Call (910) 410-1700 for more information on either program.

# Summer Semester 2023

VIEW CLASS DAYS, TIMES  
AND LOCATION



**YELLOW** = ONLINE OPTIONS AVAILABLE • **BLUE** = EVENING OPTIONS AVAILABLE

## ACCOUNTING

ACC-120 Prin. Of Financial Accounting  
ACC-121 Prin. Of Managerial Accounting  
ACC-150 Accounting Software Appl.  
ACC-225 Cost Accounting

## AIR CONDITIONING/HVACR

AHR-120 HVACR Maintenance

## AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE

ASL-111 Elementary ASL I  
ASL-112 Elementary ASL II

## ART

ART-111 Art Appreciation

## ASTRONOMY

AST-111 Descriptive Astronomy

## BIOLOGY

BIO-110 Principles of Biology  
BIO-111 General Biology I  
BIO-165 Anatomy and Physiology I  
BIO-166 Anatomy and Physiology II

## BLUEPRINT READING

BPR-111 Print Reading

## BUSINESS

BUS-110 Introduction to Business  
BUS-125 Personal Finance  
BUS-139 Entrepreneurship I

## CHEMISTRY

CHM-152 General Chemistry II  
CHM-251 Organic Chemistry I

## COLLEGE SUCCESS

ACA-122 College Transfer Success

## COMMUNICATIONS

COM-231 Public Speaking

## COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY

CIS-110 Introduction to Computers

## CRIMINAL JUSTICE

CJC-111 Introduction to Criminal Justice

## ECONOMICS

ECO-251 Prin. Of Microeconomics  
ECO-252 Prin. Of Macroeconomics

## EDUCATION

EDU-119 Intro to Early Childhood Education  
EDU-247 Sensory & Physical Disabilities  
EDU-250 Teacher Licensure Preparation

## ELECTRICAL

ELC-112 DC/AC Electricity  
ELC-131 Circuit Analysis I

## ELECTRIC UTILITY SUBSTATION

EUS-130 Electric Utility Print Reading  
EUS-210 Large High Voltage Power Transf. I  
EUS-240 Substation Ancillary Systems  
PCI-172 SCADA Systems

## ELECTRONICS

ELN-231 Industrial Controls

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL SCIENCE

EMS-220 Cardiology II  
EMS-221 EMS Clinical Practicum II

## ENGLISH

ENG-111 Writing and Inquiry  
ENG-112 Writing/Research in the Disc  
ENG-231 American Literature I

## HEALTH SCIENCES

HSC-140 Transcultural Healthcare

## HISTORY

HIS-131 American History I  
HIS-132 American History II

## HUMAN SERVICES

GRO-120 Gerontology  
HSE-242 Family Systems

## HUMANITIES

HUM-115 Critical Thinking

## MACHINING

MAC-151 Machining Calculations  
MEC-142 Physical Metallurgy

## MATH

MAT-143 Quantitative Literacy  
MAT-152 Statistical Methods I  
MAT-171 Precalculus Algebra  
MAT-172 Precalculus Trigonometry  
MAT-271 Calculus I

## MEDICAL ASSISTING

MED-121 Medical Terminology I  
MED-140 Exam Room Procedures I

## MUSIC

MUS-110 Music Appreciation  
MUS-112 Introduction to Jazz  
MUS-210 History of Rock Music

## NURSING

NUR-103 Practical Nursing III  
NUR-113 Family Health Concepts

## OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

OST-131 Keyboarding

## PHILOSOPHY

PHI-240 Introduction to Ethics

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION

PED-110 Fit and Well for Life

## PSYCHOLOGY

PSY-150 General Psychology  
PSY-241 Developmental Psychology  
PSY-281 Abnormal Psychology

## RELIGION

REL-212 Intro to New Testament

## SOCIOLOGY

SOC-210 Introduction to Sociology  
SOC-240 Social Psychology

## SPANISH

SPA-111 Elementary Spanish I  
SPA-112 Elementary Spanish II  
SPA-211 Intermediate Spanish I

## WELDING

WLD-132 GTAW (TIG) Plate/Pipe  
WLD-151 Fabrication I

## APPLYING TO RICHMONDCC IS EASY AND FREE!

1. Complete the Online Residency Application.

2. Complete the Online Admissions Application.

3. Apply for Financial Aid & Scholarships.

4. Send in Your Official Transcript(s).

Get started by visiting [www.richmondcc.edu/admissions](http://www.richmondcc.edu/admissions)



# Open House



Register Now  
for This Event

**March 28 | From 4 to 6:30 p.m. Hamlet Campus**



Join us to learn about our programs and services at Richmond Community College.

## Out of state? Not a problem!

Richmond Community College is once again providing a limited number of scholarships this coming fall semester to qualified students who live in South Carolina to earn their degree from RichmondCC.

The Pee Dee Special is a scholarship that allows South Carolina high school graduates who earned an unweighted GPA of 3.3 or higher to qualify for in-state tuition rates.

Neighboring South Carolina residents can take advantage of RichmondCC's low-cost in-state tuition rates and enroll in exclusive programs such as Electric Utility Substation & Relay Technology, Cybersecurity, Mechatronics, Emergency Med-

**Qualified S.C. students  
will pay in-state rates**

**APPLY  
FOR FREE**



ical Science, 911 Telecommunications and many others. Plus, RichmondCC offers 10 programs 100 percent online.

RichmondCC's in-state tuition rate is only \$76 per credit hour, and there is no application fee.

The first step in applying for the Pee Dee Special is completing a free application online. The deadline to complete the application and submit all required documents is July 1.



A limited number of scholarships will be awarded, so apply early. For more information, call Student Services at (910) 410-1700.

### SCHEDULE A TOUR OF RICHMONDCC

Whether you're familiar with our programs or just looking at your options for college, we encourage you to come visit Richmond Community College at our campus in Hamlet or Laurinburg.

- Explore our facilities.
- Meet and talk with current students.
- Talk one-on-one with instructors.
- Sit in on a class.
- Learn about financial aid and scholarships.
- Get help in defining your career and educational plans.



Call (910) 410-1700.



# SHORT-TERM WORKFORCE TRAINING

**Bartending 101** - \$70 | Godfather's Pizza, Rockingham | March 27 - May 15

Learn a variety of drink recipes and how to pour quickly, keep your cool and have fun behind the bar with this entry-level class. Students must be 21 years of age or older.

**Auto Dealers' License Renewal** - \$70 | Hamlet Campus | April 6

This one-day course meets the six-hour training requirement for individuals renewing their Used Motor Vehicles Dealers' License. The course is equal to 6 CEU credit hours.

**Behind-the-Wheel Truck Driver Training** - \$499 | Scotland County Campus | April 17 - May 5

This class is for those who have a valid Commercial Learner's Permit. It includes the range and road driving, pre-trip inspection, and log book recording portions of the Truck Driver Training program.

**Income Maintenance Caseworker Phase 2** - \$125 | Scotland County Campus: April 17 - June 12 |

Hamlet Campus: April 18 - June 8

This course builds on the Phase 1 class, and it provides skills training for a career in human services, with an emphasis on employment with the N.C. Department of Social Services.

**Notary Public** - \$70 | Scotland County Campus | April 22

This one-day class prepares individuals to become commissioned as a notary public.

**Introduction to Guitar** - \$70 - Hamlet Campus | April 24 - July 19

In this class, students learn the common parts of the guitar and proper maintenance, basic chords and how to smoothly switch between different chords. Students must bring their own guitar.

**Guitar Level 2** - \$70 - Hamlet Campus | April 25 - July 20

This class builds on what students have learned in the Introduction to Guitar class. Students must bring their own guitar.

**Electric Lineworker** - \$980 | Hamlet Campus | May 1 - Aug. 1

This class prepares students to work as linemen in the preparation and repair of rural electrical utility services.

**Vehicle Safety Inspection** - \$70 | Hamlet Campus | May 23-24

This two-day course is designed to prepare auto technicians and service personnel as safety inspectors for motor vehicles.

**Nursing Assistant II** - \$193 -| Offered at Both Campuses | May 30 - July 27

Students will learn advanced skill care and will be eligible to be listed on the North Carolina Board of Nursing Nurse Aid II Registry upon successful completion of the course.

**Banking Fundamentals** - \$180 | Online | June 5 - Oct. 1

This class provides the basics of banking services and the duties of a bank teller within the banking industry. First Bank will offer interviews to anyone who successfully completes this course.

**Truck Driver Training** - \$1,399 | Scotland County Campus | June 19 - Aug. 11

This class prepares students to receive their commercial driver's license. Extensive training includes classroom lecture, range driving and road driving.

**Electrical CEUS** - Hamlet Campus

These one-day electrical classes will count toward continuing education requirements for electrical contractors and others who work with electrical components. Each course is \$70.

- Basics of Grounding: March 31
- Electrical Blueprint Reading: April 28
- Electrical Schematics and Diagrams: May 26
- Arc Flash Safety: June 30

**TO SIGN UP FOR CLASSES: Call (910) 410-1700.**

*Additional fees may apply to each class. Scholarships may be available to help offset course costs.*



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# Affordable College Starts Here

*Former RichmondCC Guarantee Students Say Choosing Hometown College Was Worth It*

Courtney Heaton of Rockingham was a former dual enrollment student who earned the RichmondCC Guarantee and paid zero money in tuition for her two years at RichmondCC. She graduated from RichmondCC in 2019 with an Associate in Arts. She transferred to the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill and earned a Bachelor of Arts in Media and Journalism.

*"If there is one thing I could stress about my transfer student experience, it would be to emphasize that you are not 'late' to university life but are right on time."*

**- Courtney Heaton**



**Courtney Heaton**



**Arrion McNair**

Arrion McNair of Laurinburg was a former dual enrollment student who earned the RichmondCC Guarantee and paid zero money in tuition for her two years at RichmondCC. After graduating in 2018 with an Associate in Science degree, she transferred to the University of North Carolina-Charlotte. She graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Health Systems Management. She now works as a remote member specialist for Teladoc.

*"RichmondCC was no different than UNC-Charlotte except the size of the campus."*

**- Arrion McNair**

Hayden Burns of Rockingham is a former dual enrollment student who received the RichmondCC Guarantee in 2016 and paid zero tuition for two years at RichmondCC. He graduated with an Associate in Criminal Justice and transferred to the University of North Carolina-Pembroke, where he completed a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice. He is now in the Army, and stationed in Washington, D.C., with his wife, Lillie.

*"Having smaller classrooms allows students to have that one-on-one with their professors, which helped me grasp information a lot better."*

**- Hayden Burns**



**Hayden Burns**



**Zackary Allen**

Zackary Allen of Rockingham is a former dual enrollment student who received the RichmondCC Guarantee in 2017 and paid zero tuition for two years at RichmondCC. He graduated with an Associate in Criminal Justice and transferred to the University of North Carolina-Pembroke, where he completed a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice. He is now a deputy sheriff with the Richmond County Sheriff's Office.

*"I recommend attending Richmond Community College before enrolling in a university because you can receive a quality education at RichmondCC at a much lower price."*

**- Zackary Allen**

Qualifying for the RichmondCC Guarantee starts in high school. Make sure you are talking to your high school counselors about this program for two years free tuition at Richmond Community College.



**In the 2020-2021 academic year, Richmond and Scotland County families saved \$1,064,912 by taking 14,012 college credit hours in high school for free as part of Richmond Community College's Dual Enrollment Program.**





# TEACHER

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a senior institution with a School of Education. The program uses guided pathways of instruction to make sure all requirements are met and students are on track for graduation at the end of four years with their teaching degree.

“Being able to get my general education from RichmondCC was a huge plus. I was able to start my content courses as soon as I entered Pembroke’s door,” Knight said. “While I was at RichmondCC, I was able to take courses from (former Early Childhood Education instructor) Jennifer Murray, who taught me the foundation of education and the true meaning of being a great educator.”

Knight is a self-contained teacher, which means that the 17 third graders in her class stay with her all day, while other students change classes. She teaches them math, English/language arts, science and social studies.

“We have a packed schedule!” she said.

Knight completed her 16 weeks of student teaching at Fairview Heights. Under the guidance of a “cooperative” teacher, she created and taught lessons, gave and graded assessments, and performed all the duties that a lead teacher would do.

After graduating UNCP, she was offered to stay on at Fairview Heights as a full-time teacher.

“When I was offered the job, I never hesitated. It has been a dream come true!” she said.

However, was being a teacher always her dream? Not really.

## Career Plans Interrupted

Knight said she has always loved kids and enjoys being around them. When she was 16, she worked as a dance instructor



**Third-grade teacher Kasey Knight helps one of her students load a reading assignment on a classroom laptop.**

for children of all ages. While becoming a school teacher seemed like a natural fit, she was more interested in a career in criminal justice at the time.

“I was in full force of going into law enforcement as a crime scene detective until (RSHS teacher) Suzanne Hudson grabbed me in the hallway of Richmond Senior High School and said, ‘You are going to be a teacher. Will you take Teacher Cadet for a semester and just see?’ After that, the rest is history,” Knight said. “She changed my world and saw something in me as a teacher.”

Knight would go on to be the state vice president of the Teacher Cadet Program from 2018-2019.

## A Guaranteed Plan

While becoming a teacher came into focus for Knight, how to achieve her career plan was still up in the air. She was a dual enrollment student starting

in the 11th grade, so she was already earning college credits for free at RichmondCC. Then her uncle, Joey Bennett, who is the director of the Cole Auditorium on the Hamlet Campus of RichmondCC, had an impactful conversation with her about her future.

“If it was not for my uncle explaining to me what all I could do with a degree from RichmondCC, I would have never given it a thought,” Knight said.

Upon graduating Richmond Senior High, she qualified for the RichmondCC Guarantee, which sealed the deal for her to start her education at RichmondCC.

“Having the Guarantee made my decision so much easier because I knew my parents, who are divorced, would not have to split the cost of paying tuition or extra expenses,” she said.

The RichmondCC Guarantee is an initiative for Richmond and Scotland County high school graduates to attend RichmondCC

## Are You Ready to Become A Teacher?

RichmondCC now has two new associate degrees that will make it easier for aspiring teachers to become part of North Carolina’s teacher pipeline.

**Learn more by visiting us online!**



for two years without any tuition costs. To qualify, students must have taken two dual enrollment classes while in high school and graduate with a GPA of 3.0 or higher.

Knight also was glad she started her college education at RichmondCC because she wasn’t ready to be far from home.

“I needed to mature a little more as a college student before going to a university. It gave me a little more time to get my life together and make absolute sure that I was on the right path,” she said.

## The Right Path Indeed

Despite her early doubts, Knight feels being a teacher is her calling, not a job.

“Sometimes, I feel like I am not doing the best of jobs teaching my students because I am so new to the profession. But it always comes back around to prove that I am in the right place when my students tell me that they love me or that I am doing a great job,” she said. “I am here for the students.”

Knight is a proud alumna of RichmondCC.

“I have and will continue to recommend RichmondCC to all students. There is nothing better than staying close to home while you are trying to figure out what exactly you want to do,” she said. “I will forever be thankful to the people and staff at RichmondCC.”



Call (910) 410-1732 if your business or company would like to participate.

## Career & Business Expo: March 28

Richmond Community College will hold a Career & Business Expo from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Cole Auditorium. Employers will be available to discuss open positions and career opportu-

nities. If you need help writing a resume or preparing for an interview, please contact the Career & Transfer Advising Center, (910) 410-1830. These services are open to the public.



Richmond Community College will hold a \$18 & Above Job Fair from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Scotland County Campus in Laurinburg. This job fair is for high-paying jobs that are available locally and regionally.

There will be a number of em-

ployers in attendance who are looking to fill open positions.

If you need help writing a resume or preparing for an interview, please contact the Career & Transfer Advising Center, (910) 410-1830. These services are open to the public.



## Motones & Jerseys: April 4

The Motones & Jerseys is the ultimate battle royale between two of the greatest music genres of the 1960s.

This concert includes a stellar lineup of 9 singers backed by a 7-piece band, singing and dancing through a musical explo-

sion of nearly 50 songs.

Show time is 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20-\$30 and can be purchased online or by calling the Cole Box Office, (910) 410-1691.



## Charlotte Symphony: April 13

The Charlotte Symphony will be performing a spring concert at the Cole Auditorium at 7 p.m. Come experience one of the premier music organizations in the

Southeastern United States and the oldest operating symphony orchestra in the Carolinas. Tickets are only \$5. Call the Cole Box Office, (910) 410-1691.



# Available for Special Events!

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 RICHMOND COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
 1042 W. HAMLET AVE., HAMLET, NC 28345  
 (910) 410-1691  
[WWW.RICHMONDCC.EDU](http://WWW.RICHMONDCC.EDU)



# RichmondCC CONNECTS

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Currently

• RichmondCC is registering students for summer classes. Call (910) 410-1700 to speak to an advisor or visit the Hamlet or Scotland County Campus.

### March 14-16

• Richmond County Schools' "Arts Alive" will be on display in the lobby of the Cole Auditorium with shows at 6 p.m. each evening. Wednesday, March 15, is Art Day.

### March 22

• A representative from Wingate University will be on the Scotland County Campus from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to discuss transfer opportunities and the Gateway to Wingate scholarship. Visitors check in at the front desk of the Honeycutt Center.

• Dress for Success workshop from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Career and Transfer computer lab in the Lee Building, Hamlet Campus. Visitors check in at the front desk of the Lee Building.

### March 23

• "Art Therapy and Self-Expression" at 12 p.m. in the Lindsey-Petris Building, room 104, Hamlet Campus. Visitors check in at the front desk of the Lee Building.

• A representative from UNC-Pembroke will be available to meet with students from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. outside the café of the Hamlet Campus and from 1 to 3 p.m. in the lobby of the Honeycutt Center, Scotland County Campus. Visitors must check in.

### March 28

• Career and Business Expo from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Cole Auditorium. Come explore your career options. Bring your resume. Call (910) 410-1732 if your business or company would like to participate.

• RichmondCC's Spring Open House from 4 to 6:30 p.m. at the Hamlet Campus. All programs and services will be on display.

### March 29

• A representative from UNC-Wilmington will be on the Hamlet Campus from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. to talk about transfer opportunities. Visitors check in at the front desk of the Lee Building.

### April 4

• Registration open for 2023 Fall Semester. Call (910) 410-1700 to speak to an advisor or visit the Hamlet or Scotland County Campus.

• Motones & Jerseys performing at 7:30 p.m. at the Cole Auditorium. Tickets are \$20-\$30. Call (910) 410-1691 for more information.

### April 5

• A representative from Wingate University will be on the Hamlet Campus from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to discuss transfer opportunities and the Gateway to Wingate scholarship. Visitors check in at the front desk of the Lee Building.

• Electric Lineworker Exhibition from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Lineworker Yard on the Hamlet Campus.

### April 6

• "Stand up and Speak Out: Empowering College Students to Intervene and Prevent Harm" at 11 a.m. in the

Lindsey-Petris Building, room 104, Hamlet Campus. Visitors check in at the front desk of the Lee Building.

• Electric Lineworker Graduation at 9 a.m. at the Cole Auditorium. Invitation only.

### April 7

• College closed for Good Friday.

### April 10-14

• Spring break for curriculum college students. College is open.

### April 13

• Charlotte Symphony performing at 7 p.m. at the Cole Auditorium. Tickets are \$5. Call (910) 410-1691 for more information.

### April 19

• Test Anxiety workshop at 11 a.m. in the Lindsey-Petris Building, room 104, Hamlet Campus. Visitors check in at the front desk of the Lee Building.

### April 20

• A representative from Wingate University will be on the Scotland County Campus from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to discuss transfer opportunities and the Gateway to Wingate scholarship. Visitors check in at the front desk of the Honeycutt Center.

### Apply Now for Scholarships!

Richmond Community College has more than 100 annual scholarships provided by gifts of donors and benefactors to the RCC Foundation. FAFSA completion is required for RichmondCC scholarships. If you have questions about any of our scholarships, call the Financial Aid Office at (910) 410-1726.



### Apply Online!

[www.richmondcc.edu/scholarships](http://www.richmondcc.edu/scholarships)

• Richmond County Schools STEM Showcase for grades kindergarten-college from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Cole Auditorium. No charge for admission. Fun for the whole family.

### April 25

• End-of-the-Year Dinner for members of the Director's Circle from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Cole Auditorium. Invitation only.

### April 26

• \$18 and Above Job Fair from 1 to 3 p.m. on the Scotland County Campus-Covington Street Building. Come explore your career options. Bring your resume. Call (910) 410-1732 if your business or company would like to participate.

### April 27

• "Identity and Diversity in the College Setting" workshop at 12 p.m. in the Lindsey-Petris Building, room 104, Hamlet Campus. Visitors check in at the front desk of the Lee Building.

### May 19

• Graduation for the Class of 2023 at the Cole Auditorium. Call (910) 410-1700 for ceremony times.

### May 30

• 2023 Summer Semester begins.

## RICHMOND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

### Hamlet Campus

1042 W. Hamlet Ave., Hamlet  
(910) 410-1700

### Scotland County Campus

600 McLean St., Laurinburg  
(910) 410-1831

### Robinette Building

121 S. Lee St., Rockingham  
(910) 410-1970