

Changing Lives Creating Futures CIPOLA



Accreditation

Chipola College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award baccalaureate degrees, associate degrees, and certificates. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call (404) 679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of Chipola College.

Mission

Our mission is to provide access to quality learning opportunities toward baccalaureate degrees, associate degrees, and certificates and to facilitate economic, social, and cultural development of the college's service area.

Vision

Chipola College promotes learning and student achievement through excellence, opportunity, diversity, and progress.

Chipola College does not discriminate against any persons, employees, students, applicants or others affiliated with the college with regard to race, color, religion, ethnicity, national origin, age, veteran's status, disability, gender, genetic information, marital status, pregnancy or any other protected class under applicable federal and state laws, in any college program, activity or employment. Questions or complaints regarding harassment or discrimination, including sexual harassment and sexual violence, should be directed to the college's Equity Officer and Title IX Coordinator: Karan Davis, Associate Vice President of Human Resources, Equity Officer and Title IX Coordinator, 3094 Indian Circle, Marianna, FL 32446, Building A, Room 183A, 850-718-2205, davisk@chipola.edu.





Chipola College has established a tradition of excellence over its seventy-year history. The 2016-17 academic year was a remarkable chapter in the life of the college as our students were recognized on both the state and national levels for outstanding performance.

In August, Chipola earned a Gold ranking in the Florida College System's performance funding program. Chipola also had the highest point total in the assessment of 28 system colleges that measured retention and graduation rates, job placement and entry-level wages of graduates.

In October, Chipola was selected as one of 150 institutions in the U.S. nominated for the Aspen Prize, for Community College Excellence. For the fifth consecutive cycle of the program, Chipola is eligible to compete for the 2019 Aspen Prize which includes a \$1 million award.

Chipola also continued a tradition of excellence in athletics with outstanding performance on the field and a record number of student-athletes moving on to the next level of play.

The men's baseball team won the NJCAA National Championship, the FCSAA State Championship and the Panhandle Conference title. A week after winning the JUCO World Series, 11 Chipola players were picked in the MLB Draft, tied for most in the country with three D-1 universities.

Women's softball earned a spot in the NJCAA National Tournament, finished as runner-up in the State FCSAA Tournament and won the Panhandle Conference title. Four players were named to the NFCA NJCAA Division I All-American team.

The women's basketball team made it to the quarterfinals of the NJCAA National Tournament after finishing second in FCSAA State Tournament.

Thanks to the generous support of our alumni and friends, the Chipola Foundation grew to \$19.2 million in assets and provided \$750,000 in scholarships to our students.

This annual report provides a brief snapshot of our achievements over the past academic year. We invite you to visit our campus and join us at Chipola as we celebrate 70 years of changing lives and creating futures.

Sincerely,

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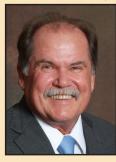
Dr. Sarah M. Clemmons, President



President's Message

District Board of Trustees

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Ryals (Chair)

Liberty County



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Members of the Chipola College District Board of Trustees are appointed by the governor and serve as the governing body of the college. Board members establish policies and oversee operations to ensure the continued success of the college and its students.

In 2016-17, Board members elected trustees Danny Ryals and Tommy Lassmann as Chair and Vice-Chair, respectively.

Dates indicate expiration of the trustees' current appointment to the board.

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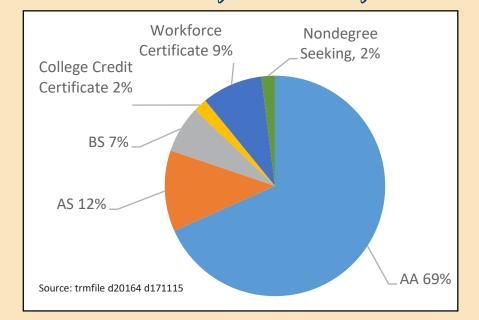
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Assets

Main campus acreage: 130 acres Other acreage: 39 acres Instructional and administrative buildings: 23 Gross capital assets: \$91,947,665 Current assets: \$10,998,683

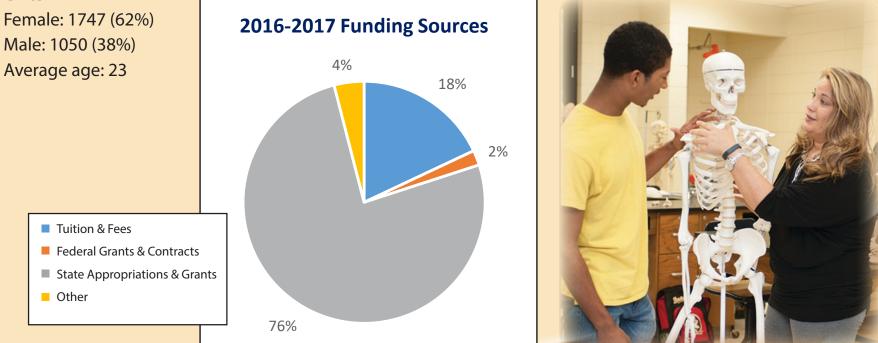
Employees

Faculty: 43 full-time and 141 part-time Staff: 95 full-time and 102 part-time Administrators: 24 full-time and 0 part-time



2016-2017 Chipola Snapshot

Students



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Rankings & Awards

• Chipola was the top-ranked school in the Florida College System's 2017 Performance-Based Funding program. Chipola received the highest point total in the assessment which measures colleges in areas such as retention, graduation rate, job placement and entry level wages after graduation.

• Chipola was selected in 2017 as one of only 150 institutions nationally to be eligible for the biennial \$1 million Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence. For the fifth consecutive cycle of the program, Chipola is eligible to compete for the 2019 Aspen Prize and \$1 million in prize money.

• Chipola graduates Elizabeth Varnum and Jayde Smelcer were added to the Chipola Academic Wall of Honor in 2017. Both were National Coca-Cola Academic Team Gold Scholars and members of the All-Florida Academic Team.



• The Florida Lottery participated, for the sixth year in a row, in the Chipola Fall Festival. Over the 29-year history, Chipola students have received \$9.8 million in Bright Futures scholarships.



- Chipola alumna Brenda Killings was the Florida College System Chancellor's Student of the Month in March, 2017. Killings is a graduate of Chipola's Associate Degree Nursing (RN) and Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) programs.
- Chipola Exceptional Student Education graduate Michelle Dampier was awarded the Florida Department of Education Commissioner's Leadership Award in 2017.
- Some 596 students graduated from Chipola in academic year 2016-17. Madeline Pumariega, Chancellor of the Florida College System (FCS), delivered the commencement address in May 2017.

Academic Success

• The Chipola Honors Program is a member of the National Collegiate Honors Council. Honors offers weekly seminars and research opportunities for the brightest and best students from Chipola's district. Many Honors students serve as tutors in the Academic Center for Excellence (ACE).

- The Chipola College ACE Lab began offering review sessions for the General Knowledge Florida Teacher Certification Examination.
- Chipola Business and Accounting graduates are in high demand, and have been placed at: DOT, Rex Lumber, Spanish Trail Lumber, Tri-State Automotive and the USDA.



• Chipola's Brain Bowl Team finished second at the 2017 Community College

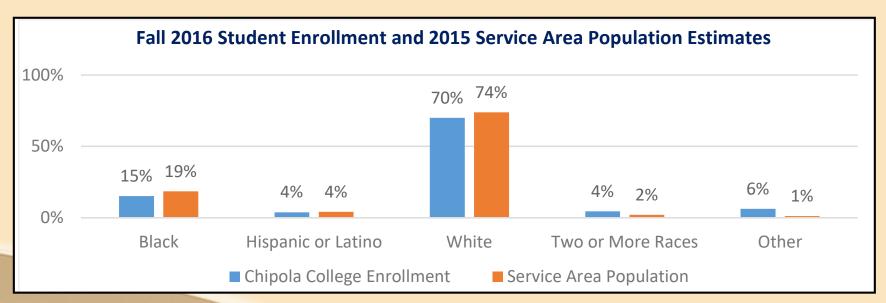
National Championship in Minneapolis. Chipola Brain Bowl team has won seven straight state titles (2008-2014) in the Florida College System Activities Association Tournament.

- The Mathematics and Natural Sciences Department hosted juniors and seniors from area high schools for an annual STEM event, "Epidemic." In lab experiments, students studied pathogen, mode of transmission, infection rate and projected spread of a fictional disease.
- The Academic Center for Excellence (ACE) features a comfortable learning environment for on-demand tutoring, group study, "Exam Cram" sessions, and computer access to instructional software. Hundreds of students visit the ACE each week to receive free tutoring and to participate in study sessions. Nearly 1,000 students visited the ACE in 2016-17.
- Highly qualified full-time faculty teach over 70% of the college's student contact hours. Inherent in the college's philosophy is the belief that full-time faculty members have a full-time commitment to teaching.
- The Chipola Chapter of the Association of Florida Colleges (AFC) awarded nine scholarships to dependents of college employees in 2017. AFC has awarded over \$170,000 in scholarships since 1993 through an endowment funded by concession sales at sports events.
- The Chipola College Foundation grew to \$19.2 million in assets and provided \$750,000 in scholarships to our students.



A Mission of Access

One thing that someone notices about our area of Florida is how proud its citizens are of Chipola College. Many people were able to pursue their educational and career goals because our college provided them access to affordable higher education.



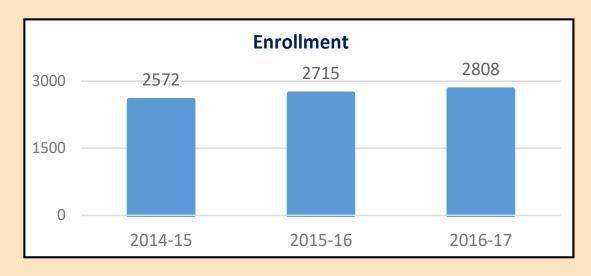
The commitment to providing access to higher education is reflected in Chipola's student population.

In the 2016 fall semester, Chipola's Financial Aid Office administered nearly \$1.7 million in federal financial aid that enabled 718 students to attend Chipola College.

> Source: 2016-2017 Institutional and Educational Outcomes Report



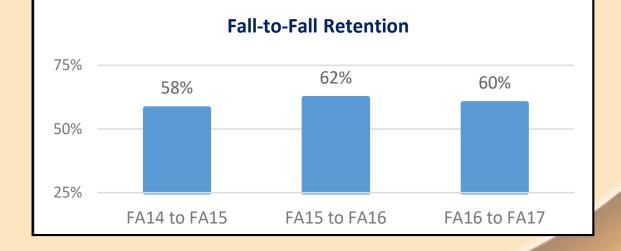
Student enrollment and retention rates also reflect Chipola's commitment to access.





62% of entering students reported location of college as influencing their decision to enroll. Other factors cited by more than one-third of Chipola's students included cost of attending and the availability of scholarships or other financial assistance.

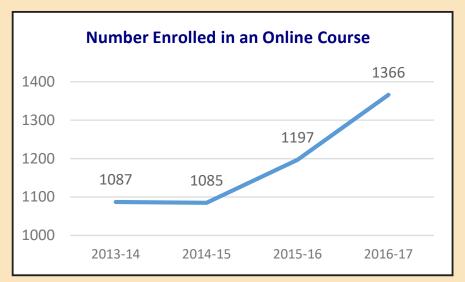
Source: Fall 2016 Entering Student Survey



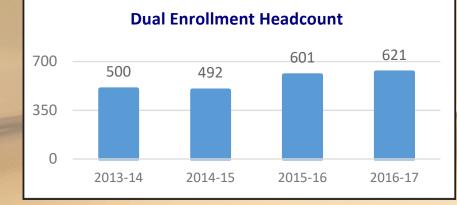


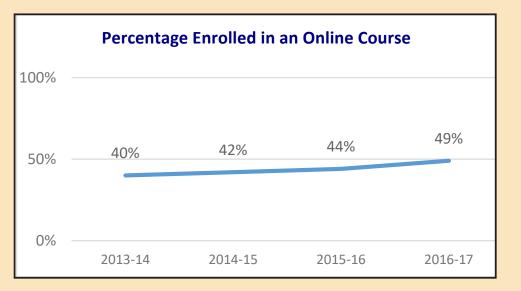
Online Courses

Online courses enhance access to higher education...



& Dual Enrollment





...as do opportunities for students to get an early start on their college experience through dual enrollment.

Chipola College provided dual enrollment courses at eleven district high schools during 2016-2017.

Altha	Blountstown	Bethlehem
Chipley	Cottondale	Graceville
Holmes County	Liberty County	Ponce deLeon
Poplar Springs	Vernon	

92% of graduating student respondents reported they were "satisfied" or "very satisfied" with the quality of Chipola's online courses.

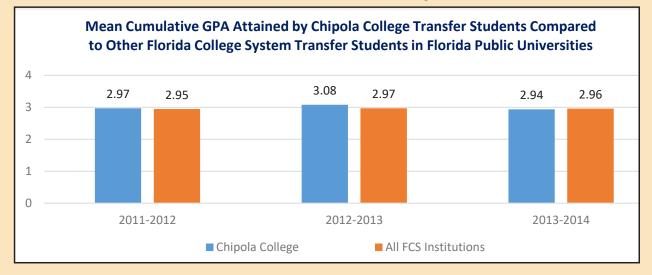
Chipola's award-winning Academic Center for Excellence served 937 students with tutoring services in 2016-17.

The quality of a Chipola education shines through in student achievement.

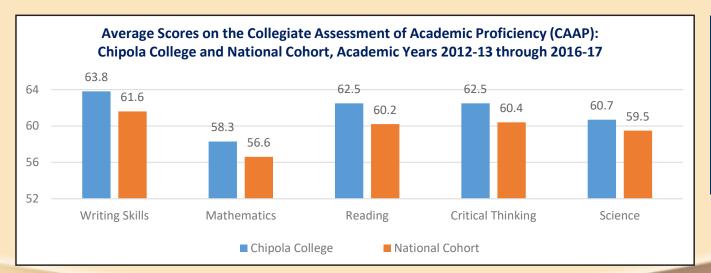
Quality

97% of graduating student respondents reported satisfaction with services provided by the Academic Center for Excellence.

Chipola's Quality Enhancement Plan helps students make informed decisions about career goals and educational pathways.



Chipola's AS and certificate programs had a program completer job placement rate of more than 95%.

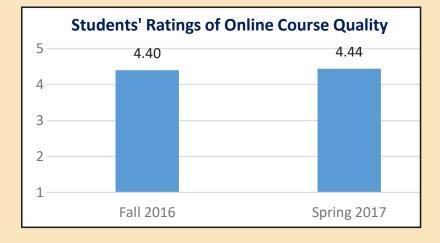


93% of graduating student respondents reported satisfaction with computer labs on campus and 98% reported satisfaction with campus technology resources.

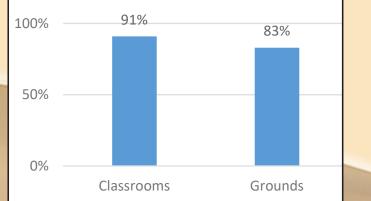


What do students think about the quality of their educational experience at Chipola College?



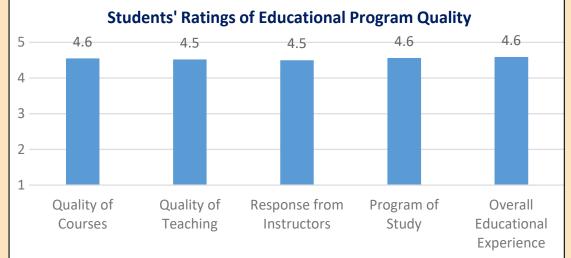


Percentage Students Satisfied With Classrooms and Campus Grounds

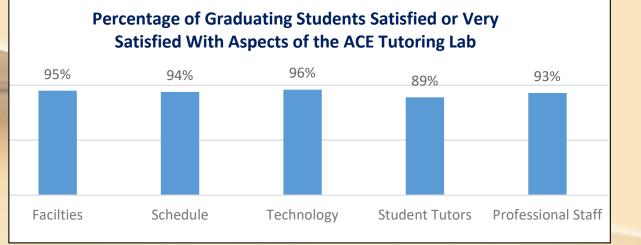


When asked if they would recommend Chipola College to a friend or family member, 95% of Chipola's students responded "yes"!

Source: 2017 Community College Survey of Student Engagement



93% of graduating student respondents reported they were "satisfied" or "very satisfied" with Chipola's library services.



• Chipola Fine and Performing Arts awarded 60 scholarships in Fall 2017, one of the largest classes in recent years with every program doubling in enrollment. Twenty percent were out-of-district students.

• The Center for the Arts Gallery hosted four art exhibits during 2017-18, including local artists Kitty Myers and Michelle Tabor Kimbrough, Zach West's *The Art of Costuming*, and an exhibit of Chipola art students' work.

• The Chipola Center for the Arts hosted a screening of the PBS documentary film, "The Great Florida Cattle Drive: Unbroken Circles," filmed and produced by Chipola alumni Elam Stoltzfus and his son, Nic.

• The University of West Florida Jazz Band joined the Chipola Jazz Band for a concert and Swing Dance in October 2016.

• Chipola theatre productions of *Hello Dolly!* earned an "Excellent" rating and *Southern Fried Funeral* a "Superior" rating from the Florida College System Activities Association.

• Over 1000 area students attended the children's production, The Magic Schoolbus.

• Chipola Fine and Performing Arts hosted a Stars on Stage camp for 50 area children. Students performed a musical production at the end of the camp. Proceeds helped fund a scholarship for Take Stock in Children.

• Chipola Theatre students and faculty attended the Broadway production of *Matilda the Musical in Atlanta in 2017.*



- Fine & Performing Arts

• Chipola Theatre Tech students collaborated with the William Carey University theatre and Mobile Theatre Guild to design and build sets for William Carey's 2017 production, *A Raisin in the Sun*, and Mobile's production, *Assassins: The Musical*.

• More than 1,200 patrons attended the 2017 A Chipola Christmas, presented by Show Choir, music students and staff. The Show Choir presented their annual Spring Jazzmatazz concert. This year's choir is the second largest in school history.

• The Chipola Artist Series hosts four professional performances annually. The 2016-17 lineup featured: Two on Tap, tap dancing show; singer Melinda Doolittle, an American Idol finalist; the Cashore Marionettes; and The Jive Aces, high-energy jump jive band.

• More than 170 area students of private music teachers performed at four Music Through Performance recitals for more than 650 guests.

• Hundreds of arts patrons attended the annual Sunday Afternoon with the Arts event sponsored by the Artists Guild of Northwest Florida, The Chipola Regional Arts Association, and Chipola's Fine and Performing Arts Department.

• The Chipola Regional Arts Association, a direct support organization of the Chipola Fine and Performing Arts Department, provided grants for arts teachers in area public schools, awarded scholarships to Chipola arts majors, supported the Chipola Artist Series, and sponsored children's programming in the arts.



















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- Faculty & Staff

Student success would not be possible without the dedication and hard work of Chipola's faculty and staff. For specified months, a career employee and a faculty/administrator/other employee are selected by their peers for the Employee of the Month Award to recognize outstanding work.

Career Employees of the Month

Katrina Griffin
Melvin Roulhac
Rachel Smith
Jan Cummings
Ionia Barnes
Taylor Brantley Curl
Laurie Berry
Chase Mason
Karen Bradley
Elissa Severson
Virginia Staley

Faculty/Administrator/Other Professional **Employees of the Month**

October	Paige Vanderwerf
November	David Bouvin
December	Melissa Cauley
February	Amanda Clark
March	Pam Rentz
April	Casey Dowgul



Employees of the Year

Pam Rentz, Faculty/Administrator/ Other Professional of the Year

Laurie Berry, **Career Employee** of the Year



Several members of the Chipola faculty, staff, and administration were recognized for service to students and communities.

- **Dr. David Bouvin.** Dr. David Bouvin. Business and Technology—Appointed to the 11-member Business Administration Faculty Committee of the Florida College System. Presenter: Information Sharing within a Secure Cloud Environment. (ISC) 2 Security Conference (Proceedings 2016); Effective Cyber Security Techniques within a Cloud Environment; Utilizing Digital Dashboards to Improve Cyber Defenses. The Colloquium for Information Systems Security Education.
- Joc Calloway. Student Affairs—Presenter: Proactive Student Advising. Association of Florida Colleges, 2016. Overcoming Civil Rights Oppression: Historical Research. 2017 Florida State; Southeast Regional History Conference, March, 2017; and Presenter: Women's Perspectives of Florida's College Math Curriculum. 2017 University of West Florida Student Scholar Symposium.
- Amanda Clark. Education—Chipola Faculty Representative, Florida Master Teachers Conference, Pensacola State College, Summer 2016.
- Dr. Irma Cruz-White. Mathematics—Presenter: Preparing Educational Leadership Reports, CAEPC, Washington, DC, September-October, 2016. National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation, Specialized Professional Association, Coordinator of Efforts Related to the National Accreditation of Mathematics Education Programs; National Council of Supervisors of Mathematics Board Member-Awards Chair.
- Casey Dowgul. Education—Participant, Florida Department of Education Reading K-12 Item Validation Meeting. Tallahassee, January 2016.
- John Gardner and Chase Vlieg. Chipola Automotive Technology instructors—Presenters 2016 Georgia Trade and Industry Camp for Instructors.
- John Gardner. Automotive—Began fourth season as co-host of national television show, Tech Garage, on Discovery's Velocity Channel. Gardner also hosts Motorhead Garage on Velocity, MAVTV and REV'n.
- Darwin Gilmore. Workforce—Serving as Chair of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, hosted a Chipola District Education Summit "Degrees to Jobs." Education member of Opportunity Florida; Member of NW Florida Manufacturers Council; Member of NW Florida Forward Talent Council.
- Aubri Hanson. Engineering Technology—Technical Program Chair, International Society for Automation (ISA) 62nd International Instrumentation Symposium, 2015-2016 and Young Eagles Coordinator, Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) Chapter 351, 2014-2016.
- Dr. Matthew Hughes. Assessment, Compliance, and Grants—Member, 2016-2017 Chancellor's Leadership Seminar.
- Dr. Terolyn Lay. Natural Sciences—Chair of Chipola College Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) Development Team, 2015-2016.
- Dr. Karen Lipford. Health Sciences—Appointed to advisory board of Big Bend AHEC, regional branch of the National Area Health Education Center Organization, February 2016. Needs Assessment of an Electronic Health Record at an Inpatient Psychiatric Hospital, Online Journal of Nursing Informatics, February, 2017. Poster Presentation on Communication at an Inpatient Psychiatric and Mental Health Congress, October 2016.
- Vikki Milton. eLearning—Representative: Florida Virtual Campus, Members Council on Distance Learning and Student Services, 2016-17 and Council of Presidents, Online Learning Committee, 2016-17.
- Amie Myers. Literature Language—2017 Kirkland Award for Excellence in Teaching Recipient.
- Dr. Pam Rentz. Education—Executive Editor, 2016 Florida English Journal, and Board of Directors, Florida Council of Teachers of English, 2016.
- Dr. Jayne Roberts. Student Affairs–State Chair, Student Life Skills Committee, Florida Statewide Course Numbering System, 2017.
- **Constance Smith.** Theatre--Presenter: Southeastern Theatre Conference (SETC) session, Prep for Theatre. Production Resume Workshop, Job Fair, March 2017.
- Dr. Willie Spires. Social and Behavioral Sciences—Appointed to FAMU Agribusiness Advisory Board 2017.



SACSCOC Accreditation

Outstanding programs, services, faculty, staff, and students provided a smooth pathway toward Chipola College's reaffirmation of SACSCOC accreditation.

Since 2015, Chipola College faculty, staff, and students have been preparing for the reaffirmation of accreditation from the Southern Association of College and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC). The three-year process of preparing for reaffirmation will culminate in June 2018 when the SACSCOC Board of Trustees votes on Chipola's accreditation status. After a very thorough process that included offsite and onsite peer review committees evaluating Chipola's compliance with nearly 100 principles and standards, the SACSCOC Reaffirmation Committee presented its findings to President Clemmons. The Report of the Reaffirmation Committee clearly showed that Chipola College is providing outstanding educational programs and services for its students. The Chipola College family is very proud of the Committee's report and looks forward to reaffirmation of SACSCOC accreditation in June 2018.

Timeline for the Reaffirmation of SACSCOC Accreditation

- June 2015 Dr. Terolyn Lay named Chair of QEP Development Team; Reaffirmation Leadership Team members announced
- August 2015 Reaffirmation kick-off event with faculty and staff
- January 2016 Reaffirmation Leadership Team orientation by SACSCOC staff
- June 2016 QEP topic approved by QEP Leadership Team
- January 2017 Nearly 700-page compliance certification document approved by Executive Council
- February 2017 Compliance certification submitted to SACSCOC
- March 2017 Dr. Gina McAllister named QEP Director
- April 2017 SACSCOC Offsite Reaffirmation Committee evaluation of compliance certification document
- June 2017 QEP approved by Executive Council
- August 2017 QEP submitted to SACSCOC
- October 2017 SACSCOC Onsite Reaffirmation Committee on campus for interviews and further evaluation
- June 2018 SACSCOC Board of Trustees vote on reaffirmation of accreditation



596 students graduated from Chipola in 2016-17 – a 21% increase over a two-year period.



Set Goals, Define Purpose, Achieve Success: Chipola's Quality Enhancement Plan

Institutional effectiveness data showed the need to help students develop skills needed to make informed decisions regarding career goals and steps to achieving those goals. Institutional data also showed that students were much more likely to graduate if they had identified a major before beginning their second semester of enrollment. After analyzing data and reviewing feedback from constituencies and best practices of other colleges, Chipola College identified the goal of its Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP): *To Enable Students to Make Informed Decisions Regarding Their Career Goals and Related Educational Pathways*.

To achieve the QEP goal, members of the college faculty and staff developed a two-credit course, SLS 1401, Career and Life Planning, that first-time in college degree-seeking students will take during their initial semester of enrollment beginning in the spring of 2018. Through self-assessments and career exploratory assignments, students will:

- assess their personal skills, interests, and values related to career options;
- research the viability of career options related to the results of their self-assessments;
- establish career goals; and
- formulate personal educational plans related to their career goals.

Planning for continued success with 2017-18 goals and objectives

Goal 1: Expand and maintain student access

Increase awareness of opportunities at Chipola College Minimize barriers to enrollment and completion

Goal 2: Enhance distance learning

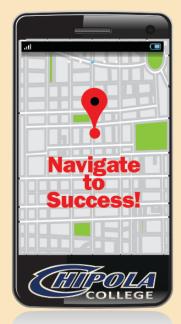
Provide high quality online courses Ensure that learning resources and academic support services are readily available to distance learning students

Goal 3: Increase students' college readiness and success

Prepare students for success in foundational courses Ensure students attain college-level general education competencies

Goal 4: Prepare students for careers

Prepare students to make informed career and educational decisions Prepare students for employment and continued learning



Set **Goals** Define **Purpose** Achieve **Success**

Goal 5: Provide a high quality dual enrollment program

Provide off-campus dual enrollment courses that are of the same high quality as on-campus courses

Ensure that learning resources and academic support services are readily available to student in off-campus dual enrollment courses

Goal 6: Provide facilities and grounds improvements

Provide an aesthetically pleasing campus environment Minimize risks of property loss for individuals and the institution

Goal 7: Manage resources responsibly

Ensure appropriate use of resources Use resources effectively

Goal 8: Facilitate regional development

Support economic development in the region Support cultural and social development in the region

Goal 9: Remain a leading institution in the Florida College System

Maximize outcomes on institutional performance measures Provide a high quality overall educational experience

- Chipola conducted several events at which area high school students visited campus to experience college life and explored educational options including Senior Day, Dual Enrollment Night and STEM events.
- More than 100 area high school students participated in the 27th Annual Throssell Literature/Language Festival hosted by Chipola College.
- Chipola Brain Bowl hosted 15 teams from 7 area high schools at the 11th Annual High School Brain Bowl Invitational.
- Chipola hosted the Annual Math Olympiad for area high school students.
- More than 100 middle and high school students participated in the Future Business Leaders of America District competition hosted at the college.
- Nearly 60 children participated in Chipola's Take Stock in Children (TSIC) program which enables low-income students to earn college scholarships if they maintain certain standards. Dozens of TSIC scholarship recipients have enrolled at Chipola since the program's inception.
- Students in the Chipola Student Support Services program toured several colleges and universities. SSS hosted Transfer Day with representatives from Chipola B.S. programs as well as several universities.
- Chipola coaches hosted baseball, softball and basketball camps for area children.
- Hundreds of area school children learn to swim during group lessons offered at the Chipola Pool each summer.
- Chipola Fine and Performing Arts hosted a Stars on Stage camp for 50 area children. Students performed a musical production at the end of the camp. Proceeds helped fund a scholarship for Take Stock in Children.
- Chipola hosted a STEM Challenge sponsored by Panhandle Area Educational Comittee and Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. Students used smart phones to operate drones and learn problem-solving skills.
- The Chipola Workforce and Economic Development Division hosted the Annual Advisory Committee Meeting in November 2016. More than 100 area professionals and business leaders serve on 14 advisory committees for the college's career and technical programs.
- Chipola's Public Service Division accommodated 200 active first responders from Mississippi and Louisiana staging en route to South Florida after Hurricane Irma.
- Chipola hosted the Regional Career Fair partnership with CareerSource Chipola and the five area county school systems.
- Workforce hosted a District Career and Technical Education Collaboration with Jackson, Holmes and Washington Counties.
- Chipola Engineering Technology hosted a Statewide Engineering Technology Forum.
- Chipola Civil Engineering made a presentation to FDOT Engineers at a CEI meeting.
- Chipola hosted the 2017 Florida Council of Teachers of English (FCTE) professional development institute.
- Chipola hosted the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce luncheon in September, 2017, which included a recognition of heroes from the first-responder community.
- School counselors from five area counties attended Chipola's 2017 Counselor Appreciation Day. Participants discussed transfer requirements, testing, dual enrollment and financial aid.



Student Activities

91% of graduating student respondents reported satisfaction with student activities and campus events.

Clubs & Organizations



- The Chipola Honors Program and Pre-Med Society participated in numerous community service projects throughout the school year.
- Chipola's Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society planned projects to help with a variety of philanthropies. Chipola graduates Elizabeth Varnum and Jayde Smelcer were named National Coca-Cola Academic Team Gold Scholars and members of the All-Florida Academic teams for leading in many of these projects.
- The Chipola Organization of Student Nurses participated in the Relay for Life fundraiser for the American Cancer Society.
- The Fellowship of Christian Athletes sponsored the Fields of Faith program for student-athletes.
- The Baptist Campus Ministry held Sunday evening gatherings at the chapel with a variety of speakers and student-led activities.
- Chipola's Jacqueline Dudley was the first Chipola student to hold a state office in the Florida African American Student Association in 2016-17. Jasmine Sorey will serve in 2017-18.
- Students in the Chipola Chapter of Phi Beta Lambda business fraternity brought home seven top-10 national awards, including a first place win, and four PBL scholarships at the PBL National Leadership Conference in June, 2017.
- Chipola's TRiO Society officers attended the SSS LEAD Conference 2017 at Enterprise State Community College. Student leaders learned about leadership, careers, academic success and networking.
- The Chipola School of Business and Technology is collaborating with the U.S. Marine Corps to provide officer training opportunities for eligible students.
- The Black Student Union (BSU) received the Florida African American Student Association Four-Star Program Award in the 2016-17 School Year for Academic Excellence, Cultural Awareness and Economic Empowerment (PACE).
- BSU partners with local agencies including Anchorage Children's Home, The New Day Mental Health Support Group, NAACP, Tobacco Cessation Program, local nursing and rehabilitation centers, and hosts a Black History Month Celebration in February.
- Social and Behavioral Sciences hosts a Mental Health Awareness Symposium in April and Cultural Diversity week in March.
- Social Science instructor Sarah Gambill offers a Career Exploration Program planned in conjunction with Sonia Ubias of Career Source Chipola.
- Social and Behavioral Sciences hosts an Identity Theft Program with First Commerce Credit Union.
- Social Science instructor Latresha Moore hosts a series of student sociology presentations each year that are judged by professionals from the community.
- Honors adviser Robert Ivey coordinates an annual film series for students.



-Athletic Excellence

- The men's baseball team won the 2017 NJCAA National Championship, the FCSAA State Championship and the Panhandle Conference title. A total of 11 Chipola players were picked in the MLB draft, tied for the most in the country with three D-1 universities. Coach Jeff Johnson was named National Coach of the Year.
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- Chipola softball faced eight Division 1 teams in the 2017 pre-conference season, including: Mississippi State, Jacksonville University, Embry-Riddle, Florida State University, Ole Miss, the University of Tennessee, the University of Florida and LSU.



- The women's basketball team made it to the quarterfinals of the NJCAA National Tournament after finishing second in FCSAA State Tournament.
- Former Chipola women's basketball player Evelyn Akhator was the third overall pick in the 2017 WNBA Draft by the Dallas Wings. At Chipola, Akahator was named NJCAA Women's Basketball Player of the Year after leading Chipola to its first national championship in 2015. Akhator set a new NJCAA single-season rebounding record of 584.



- Chipola continued a tradition of excellence in athletics with a record number of student-athletes moving on to next play at four-year colleges and universities as well as the professional ranks.
- More than 400 friends of the college turned out for the Chipola Appreciation Club's "Endless Summer," Aug. 26, 2017. The event raised \$50,000 for an endowment in honor of Robert Trammell, a former Chipola basketball player (1966), and his wife Kay Trammell.

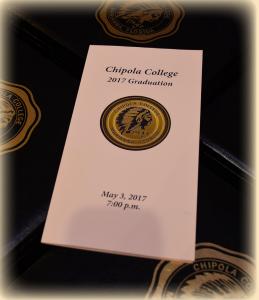
- Graduation





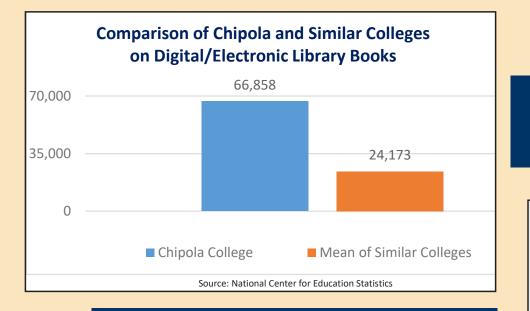
A total of 596 students graduated from Chipola in 2016-17, a 21% increase over a two-year period.



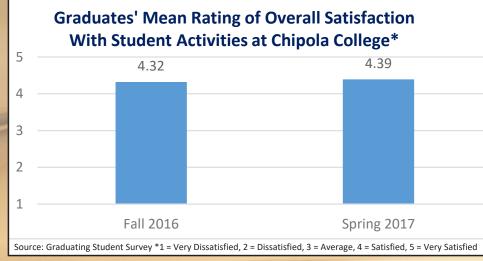


Madeline Pumariega, Chancellor of the Florida College System (FCS), delivered the commencement address at the Chipola graduation ceremony in May 2017.



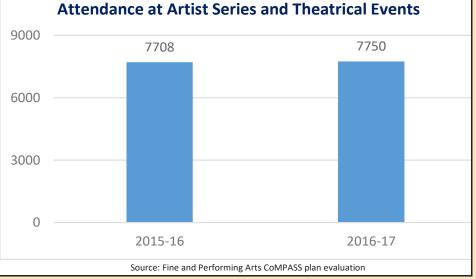


94% of spring 2017 graduates reported they were "satisfied" or "very satisfied" with their overall educational experience at Chipola College.



-Social, Cultural & Economic Development

100% of workforce development program advisory committee members agreed that Chipola College has a positive impact on the region's economy.



Nearly 90% of faculty members reported that Chipola's cultural events enhance the quality of life in the region.

A record 297 students enrolled in workforce certificate programs.

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Facilities & Information Technology

Facilities

- Completed new entrance to Student Center with glass atrium and brick patio.
- Connected Student Center, science labs and additional buildings to centralized chiller system.
- Continued water and sewer upgrades across campus.
- Replaced sod and added irrigation inside Indian Circle.
- Painted roof and exterior walls of Library and McLendon Fine Arts Building.
- Created new entrance to Indian Circle with brick paver walkway, enhanced curbing and landscaping.
- Performed routine maintenance and repair of 26 buildings and more than 150 acres on campus and at the Reddoch Firing Range Annex.





Information Technology Projects

- Installed a new generator capable of providing power to the entire Data Center. Running on natural gas, it provides backup power to keep the campus servers running during commercial power outages to provide business continuity and disaster recovery.
- Installed state-of-the-art Internet firewall which provides numerous layers of protection against Internet-based malicious attacks, as well as potential for Internet bandwidth growth.
- Stored electronic high school transcript information now accessible to Registration & Admissions. High school transcripts are now electronically evaluated for course prerequisite purposes.
- Invested \$1.2 million on campus-wide technology-related products and services.



