

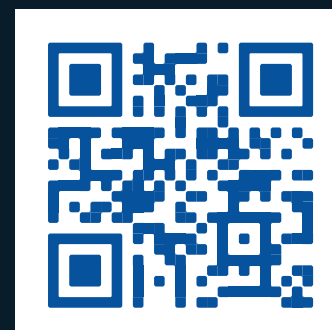
I value an education.
But I don't want to
break the bank.
Or pinch pennies.
Or go into debt for
decades. And
neither do my
parents.

WE HEAR YOU.



Education at a South Carolina
technical college costs **36% less**
than the average annual tuition
of a four-year institution, and
many of our high-demand
programs are free. (You read
that right — **FREE.**)

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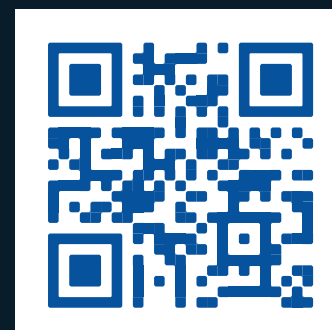
I've never applied to college before. I don't know what my next step should be, who to ask for help, or even what questions to ask.

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And that's okay – because we do. All you need to do is reach out and let us know what you need – even if that's everything.

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Sure, an education is important to me. But I don't want to be **JUST** a student. I care about other things – serving my community, making friends, having fun, helping my family, taking care of my mental health.



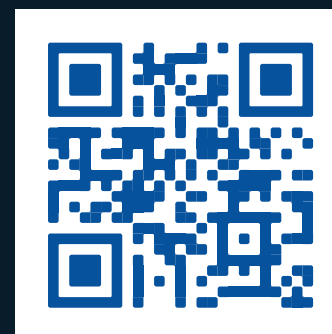
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And you sound like just the well-rounded person we love to have at our technical colleges! We're here to support you – *all* of you. If that means you want to join a club, play a sport, get assistance from a food pantry, receive counseling, diversify your social circle, or volunteer, you can find plenty of ways to be more than **JUST** a student.



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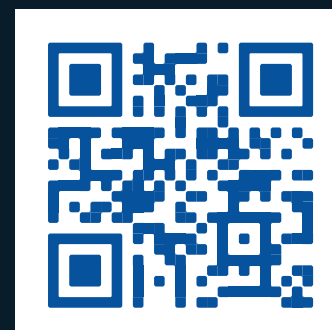
I don't want to take a bunch of classes that I don't need for my future. And I don't want my nose to be stuck in a textbook all the time. (Sometimes is okay.)

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Our technical colleges specialize in, well, specialized training. You can work alongside experts in your field, get hands-on experience, and network with potential future employers *at the same time.*

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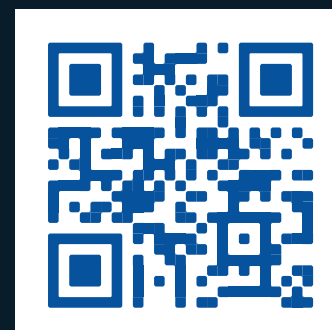
After I graduate high school,
I'm gonna have to work.
Full-time, part-time – I don't
know yet. So if I do want to
go to college, I need it to be
close to home.

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Did you know that no matter where
you live in South Carolina, you're
within a 30-minute drive of one of
our technical college's 16 main
campuses or 64 satellite campuses?
So you can pull in that paycheck and
still scoot over to your local college
without a crazy-long commute.

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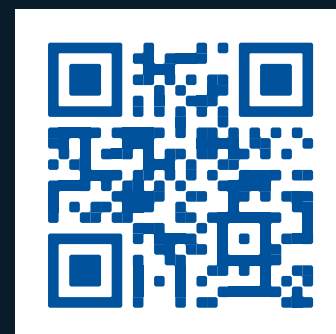
It feels like going to a four-year university – or sometimes, even a two-year college – is just pressing a great big PAUSE button on life. I'm ready to get started now! But I also don't want to make pennies at an entry-level job.

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Sounds like a bite-sized program is what you need. South Carolina's technical colleges offer more than an associate degree or transfer to a four-year university. You can earn certifications that make you more valuable to employers. You can become an intern or an apprentice, learn while you earn, and often have a guaranteed job when you finish. Or you can earn stackable credentials, which allow you to customize your education and enter and exit a program as you want or need to. Press PLAY, not PAUSE, after graduation!

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One thing high school has taught me is that learning is not one-size-fits-all. I like in-person classes. But I did pretty well when I took a VirtualSC course too. Are there hybrid options in college? I'm just not sure what would be best for me.

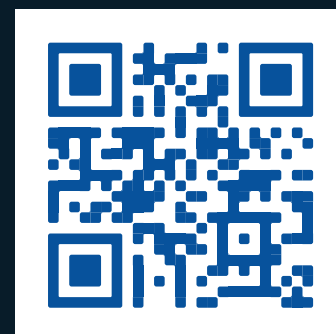
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Good news! South Carolina's technical colleges offer all three options, so you can figure out what works for you.

(Oh, and if you're questioning whether online learning would be a good fit, take the quick survey on our website. It will give you an idea of what it takes to be a successful virtual student.)

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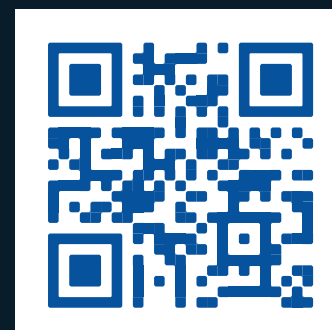
I want teachers who know their stuff *and* who know me. I'm up for a challenge, but I don't want a professor who's always talking over my head. I want to be a name and a face and a real person that they care about.

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Most of the instructors at a South Carolina technical college have real-world experience in their field. They know exactly what they're preparing you for – not some textbook version of reality. And like you, they're real people too. They hear you. They see you. And they're there to help.

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