



Together, we move FORWARD



Lions,

As we settle into the rhythm of the new academic year, I want to take a moment to express my deepest gratitude for all your hard work and dedication. Thanks to your efforts, we've had a great start, setting the tone for what promises to be a successful and rewarding year.

From the energy and enthusiasm in the classrooms to the warm welcomes extended to our new students, your commitment to creating a positive and engaging environment is evident.

The countless hours you've put into preparing lessons, supporting students, and ensuring our campus runs smoothly do not go unnoticed. Your passion and professionalism truly make a difference, and it's clear that we are a stronger community because of each of you.

As we continue to navigate the challenges and opportunities of this year, please know how much I appreciate your resilience, creativity, and teamwork. Your ability to adapt, inspire, and support one another, as well as our students, is what makes our college such a special place.

Let's keep the momentum going, and remember that your contributions are at the heart of our success. TOGETHER... we move FORWARD. Thank you for everything you do, and here's to a fantastic academic year ahead!

Keep moving forward!

- Dr. Tarez Holston, President



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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Labor Day Holiday / Sept. 2
> No classes; College is closed
- Open House / Oct. 9
> Newton Campus
- Ribbon-cutting Ceremony / Oct. 15
> Newton Campus
- Georgia MATCH Event / Nov. 19
> DeKalb Campus
- Grateful Gathering / Nov. 22
> DeKalb Conference Center
- Thanksgiving Holiday / Nov. 28
> No classes; College is closed

GPTC hosts inaugural convocation



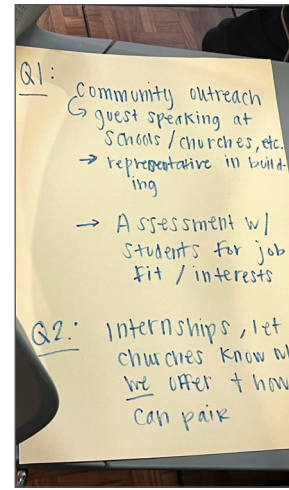
On Friday, August 9, Georgia Piedmont Technical College hosted the first-of-its-kind convocation. The theme, Here on Purpose, served as a reminder that GPTC can't fulfill its mission of providing quality, skill-based education without the support of its community.

As such, several prominent area leaders joined faculty and staff in town

hall meeting-style conversations to discuss needs, partnerships and how our respective organizations may intersect to help students become successful. At the end of the event, Dr. Holston delivered brief remarks on the college relating to how far we've come and how far we may go! Many thanks to our panelists: Jamal Jesse/GA Power Workforce Dev. Mgr., Terreta

Rodgers/Amazon Community Affairs & Local Board Member, Christopher Sanders/East Metro Community Improvement Dist., Lorraine Cochran-Johnson/DeKalb Co. CEO-Elect, Dr. Duke Bradley/Newton School Superintendent, Lindsey Petrini, Piedmont Newton Hospital CEO and Robert Hughes/Restoration Storehouse Exec. Dir.

College holds purposeful brunch



A new initiative by the GPTC Outreach Committee kicked off on Thursday, Aug. 29 with 24 faith-based leaders in attendance alongside staff and faculty. The event entitled Connecting our Purpose; A Faith-Based Networking Brunch provided breakout sessions, college overviews and networking opportunities.

Roaring new look for Building C



To update the aesthetics of the Advanced Manufacturing Center in Newton (a.k.a. Newton 'C'), our economic development department worked with GPTC Marketing & Communications to design and install fancy new signage. Look for more of these and similar designs at a campus near you!

Econ. Dev. team attends expo



Recently, GPTC's Economic Development team alongside admissions outreach specialists attended the Small Business Expo held in Tucker. The Expo was designed to be a platform for networking with local businesses and their employees with the goal of providing them with information on how GPTC can contribute to their future successes and educational goals.

Foundation Spotlights: Donor and Alumni Recognition



The GPTC Foundation has been busy the past few months! First, on August 6, the Foundation hosted a donor appreciation event to honor donors on all levels and hear from some of the students helped by their generosity. The evening was capped off by a hilarious dueling piano team. Then, on August 27, the Foundation recognized alumni of Georgia Piedmont Technical College. During the festivities, the GPTC Alumni of the Year, HVAC graduate and current BAS student Justin Hawkins, was introduced. He will also be acknowledged at a TCSG Leadership Conference in October.

WELCOME TO THE PRIDE

CELEBRATING NEW EMPLOYEES

- ABDUS-SALAAM, ASIYAH
- ABRAHAM, NEIL A.
- BATTLE, CHARLIE EUGENE
- BOYNTON, RODNEY
- BRIDGES, BENNIE E
- BRYANT, GIVENS
- CARD, KENNETH
- CHANG, WINSOME
- FAVORS, SHANEKA L.
- GLASS-DIXON, RENA M
- HAYES, STACHA
- LAKHANI, NADIA
- MITCHELL, NINA
- PIKE, DAVID
- ROBERTS, MAURICE
- ROLLE, TRENTON L.
- ROSENFELT, JENNIFER
- SHORTER, JAMAL
- SPARKS, CLARISSA
- WALL, KISHA
- WILEY, KALEE



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