



In-State Tuition Pilot Program Legislative Update August 2024

Section 6.13 of S.L. 2023-134 permitted the State Board of Community Colleges to establish an in-state tuition pilot program at Tri-County Community College (TCCC). This program, marketed as “Success Without Borders,” allows TCCC to offer in-state tuition to up to 100 residents from the following Georgia counties bordering North Carolina: Fannin, Rabun, Towns, and Union. The Success Without Borders program is contingent on ensuring that out-of-state students do not displace any North Carolina residents eligible for in-state tuition. The pilot program began October 2023 and will run until the end of the 2026-2027 academic year.

- The number of out-of-state students who were enrolled at the in-State tuition rate through the pilot program,

Term	Reciprocity Students
2024 Spring	28
2024 Summer	21
2024 Fall	46
Total Students	62

- A list of the programs the pilot program students chose,
 - Air Conditioning, Heating & Refrigeration Tech.
 - Associate in Arts
 - Associate in Engineering
 - Associate in General Education - Pre-Medical Sonography
 - Associate in General Education - Pre-Nursing
 - Associate in Science
 - Automotive Systems Technology
 - Building Construction Technology
 - Business Administration
 - Cosmetology
 - Criminal Justice Technology
 - Electrical Engineering / Systems Technology
 - Emergency Medical Science
 - Esthetics Technology
 - Medical Assisting
 - Medical Sonography
 - Nursing
 - Public Safety Administration
 - Therapeutic Massage
 - Welding Technology

- A list of any programs unavailable to the pilot program students due to potential displacement of North Carolina Residents,
 - No NC Residents were displaced by the out-of-state students in the pilot program.
- Any indicators of increased economic development as a result of this pilot program, and
 - The students in the pilot program not only directly contribute to the regional economy through their spending on transportation and local services while taking classes, but they also enrich the talent pool of our workforce upon their graduation. Many of the students participating in the pilot program have enrolled in high-skilled, technical programs that lead directly to careers in our service area. In particular students in Building Construction, Electrical, and Air Conditioning have been able to establish relationships with local employers, both contractors and subcontractors. Welding employers have been excited about the pilot program helping to expand a high school-community college-workforce pipeline, and articulation agreements with local high school programs in the Georgia counties have been established. The pilot program has also helped build and expand clinical relationships in the healthcare workforce.
- The number of out-of-state students who do not qualify for the in-State tuition rate
 - 18 Out of State students did not qualify for the in-state rate:
 - 9 Georgia
 - 8 Tennessee
 - 1 New York