



Transforming
Lives in
**Gates
County**



**COLLEGE OF THE
ALBEMARLE**

Community Impact Report
2019-2020



RETURN ON YOUR INVESTMENT

As a community college, COA wouldn't exist without the communities we serve and the investment they make in our facilities, our people and our students. It is our mission – and privilege – to turn that investment into lives transformed through education.

GATES COUNTY Student Success

Grady Gills

When Grady Gills graduated from Gates County High School, he was certain that he had found the program for him at College of The Albemarle. "I had heard about the Computer Integrated Machining program through a visit to COA my high school had set up and it looked like a good option for me – a really cool program."

Grady enrolled at COA in the fall of 2015. By July 2016, Grady had earned his Machining Certificates I and II and received his Diploma in Computer Integrated Machining. A job offer from Sumitomo Drive Technologies soon followed.

Hired right out of the program at COA, Grady started at Sumitomo Drive Technologies as a Machinist I, working in the Shaft Cell running computer numerical control (CNC) lathes and the broach, a machining operation that moves over material to cut a predetermined shape. He also helped out in the Gear Cell running the CNC grinder. In less than two years, Grady was promoted to Machinist II and moved to steel fab machining, where he runs the bridge mill.

Grady says he would recommend the Machining program at COA to anyone interested in that line of work. "I had the right training and felt prepared when I started working at Sumitomo."



STUDENTS

- 64 Adult Curriculum Students
- 93 Career and College Promise (CCP) Students – Current High Schoolers
- 3 College and Career Readiness Students (Adult High School)



ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- 22 Students Graduated
- 26 Degrees, Diplomas & Certificates Awarded



FINANCIALS

- 12 Students Received Scholarships
- \$15,472 Value of Scholarships Awarded
- \$331,564 Estimated Cost Savings for CCP Families*



EMPLOYMENT

- 21 Employees Residing in Gates County
- \$320,613 Salaries Paid

* Based on the Fall 2019 average cost per credit hours for UNC Schools vs. COA's average, in-service area cost.

Report from the President

Jack N. Bagwell, PhD



Dear Stakeholder,

I am pleased to provide you with this county specific impact report. This report is new for College of The Albemarle (COA), and we are compiling one for each of the seven counties in our service area. Their purpose is to inform readers about the broad impact COA has in our communities.

The information you see represented in these reports is likely to evolve. Still, we are hopeful that what has been included will demonstrate COA's commitment to your county and our region.

COA is the community's college. We value the support we receive from each of our counties, and we are committed to being the most effective partners we can be in the areas of education and economic development. If you would like to share any thoughts or opportunities with me, please do not hesitate to email me at president@albemarle.edu.

Thank you for your ongoing support of COA.

Sincerely,

Jack Bagwell

COLLEGE OF THE ALBEMARLE Programs of Study

Agribusiness Technology
Associate Degree Nursing
Associate in Arts
Associate in Engineering
Associate in Fine Arts in Theatre
Associate in Fine Arts in Visual Arts
Associate in General Education
Associate in General Education – Nursing
Associate in General Occupational Technology
Associate in Science
Aviation Systems Technology
Basic Law Enforcement Training
Computer Integrated Machining
Computer-Aided Drafting Technology
Cosmetology
Criminal Justice Technology
Culinary Arts
Early Childhood Education
Emergency Medical Science
Fire & Rescue Training
General Business Administration
Global Business Management
Health & Fitness Science
Health Information Technology
Healthcare Business Informatics
High School Equivalency
Hospitality & Tourism
Human Services Technology
HVAC Technology
IT: Computer Programming
IT: Project Management
IT: Systems Administration & Support
Manicuring/Nail Technology
Marine Diesel Engine Repair
Medical Assisting
Medical Laboratory Technology
Medical Office Administration
Motorcycle Safety
Nurse Aide
Phlebotomy
Practical Nursing
Professional Crafts: Jewelry
Surgical Technology
Truck Driver Training
Welding Technology



COMMUNITY SUPPORT

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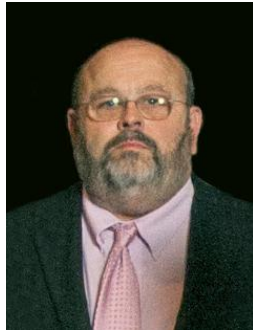
Gates County Donors to COA Foundation

\$380

Total of Donations

\$6,000

Gates County Contributions for
Operating Expenses



Graham L. Twine

Self-Employed

Former Member, Gates County Board of Commissioners

Appointed by Gates County Board of Commissioners

PARTNERING FOR PROGRESS

For more than 60 years, College of The Albemarle has been committed to meeting the educational needs of our seven county service area. Over time, those needs evolve and COA is once again growing to keep pace. This past year saw the beginning of two new capital projects designed to help us continue transforming lives, families and communities.



Currituck County Public Safety Center: future home of COA Basic Law Enforcement, Emergency Medical Science and Nurse Aide programs

Construction of the Currituck Public Safety Center began in early 2020. While the county’s emergency services and law enforcement will reside in the new facility, there will be dedicated classroom space for College of The Albemarle to offer instruction in Basic Law Enforcement Training, Emergency Medical Science and Nurse Aide.

The 48,000 square foot building illustrates the collaborative partnership between Currituck County and COA that first began with the construction of COA – Currituck (formerly the Regional Aviation and Technical Training Center). At the groundbreaking ceremony, Dr. Jack Bagwell, COA President, said, “You can judge a community on how it supports a community college and nothing says that better than what we are doing here.” This \$18 million project is scheduled for completion in April.



New COA – Dare facility: allows for consolidation to one location and provides state-of-the art facilities for current and future education programs

Construction is also underway for the new COA – Dare in Manteo, a 36,000 square foot academic building that will allow the college to consolidate its two current campuses to one physical location.

A groundbreaking ceremony, hosted by Dare County and COA, was held December 10, 2020 to celebrate the beginning of construction on the state-of-the-art facility. In his remarks, Dr. Bagwell talked about the opportunities this new building will provide students and the entire county. He also thanked the Dare County Board of Commissioners for their vision and financial commitment to the project. The nearly \$18 million project is scheduled for completion in February 2022.

Also this year, College of The Albemarle Foundation launched an emerging capital campaign to raise funds to outfit both new facilities. Having previously committed \$1.1 million toward the projects, the Foundation is working toward raising an additional \$1.2 million for furniture, fixtures, equipment and emerging programs.

