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KEY FACTS:

Year Founded: 1965

Service Area: Pierce County

Legislative Districts: 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th

Programs: 30 associate degrees, 35 professional certificates and 64 programs of study.

Highest Enrolled Programs:

- College transfer courses
- Nursing
- Human Services
- Paralegal
- Business
- Health Information Management

State-Supported Enrollment:

Headcount: 10,850
 FTES: 5,990

Enrollments for Selected Student Types (FTES):

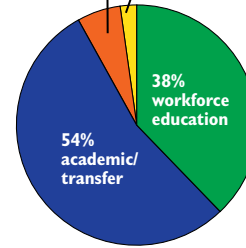
eLearning: 979
 I-BEST: 25
 International Students: 265
 Opportunity Grant: 127
 Running Start: 400
 Worker Retraining: 371

STUDENT PROFILE

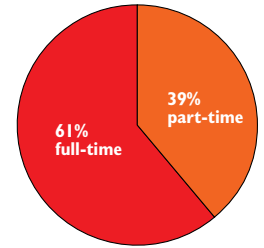
(Fall 2010 unless otherwise noted)

Enrollment by intent (2010-11)

6% basic skills
 2% personal interest/other
 38% workforce education
 54% academic/transfers



Attendance



Ethnicity

Asian/Pacific Islander 12%
 African American 12%
 Native American 3%
 Hispanic 9%
 Other, Multiracial 2%
 White/Caucasian 63%

Median age

25.3

Family and Finances

Students receiving need-based financial aid (2010-11): 39%
 Students who work: 40%
 Students with children: 32%

Gender

Female: 60%
 Male: 40%

Employment Rate

(2008-09): 79%
 (within 9 months of program completion)

POINTS OF INTEREST:

Responding to Allied Health needs

TCC has consistently responded to calls from area health care providers facing shortages of trained personnel, which has resulted in a robust array of allied health training options for local residents. TCC offers programs that train registered nurses, radiology technicians, ultrasound sonographers, respiratory therapy technicians, paramedics, emergency medical technicians, health information management professionals, medical coding specialists, medical transcriptionists, and medical office workers. While shortages continue, TCC is doing what it can with available funding to support the local health care community.

Business training cooperative

TCC has taken the lead in forming a four-college-district collaboration to serve customized business training needs the region. Named Invista Performance Solutions, the effort involved all four Pierce County community and technical college districts: TCC, Pierce College, Clover Park Technical College, and Bates Technical College. College presidents signed an agreement June 30 that merges the corporate education operations of Pierce County's community and technical colleges. TCC will apply its business training model to the effort – a model that generated \$1.7 million in training contracts in 2010.

Declared and prepared

TCC has created a constellation of innovative strategies to positively impact students' initial experiences on campus—which have increased the likelihood they'll persist to graduation, declaring a major and prepared for success. TCC developed an advising model that creates stronger connections between first-year students and advisors, and equips advisors with a "dashboard" on their students that allow them to track progress and intervene when necessary to help. The college also redesigned its new student orientation to promote relationship-building with advising staff, and implemented a student success class, HD 101, that helps students learn how to be successful. The first week of every quarter is now "Welcome Week" with staff and student leaders working at stations throughout campus to answer questions and help with way-finding. The result has been a 14 percent increase in fall-to-fall retention after the first two-years of the effort.