KEY FACTS (DATA FROM 2019-2020 ACADEMIC YEAR. REFLECTS HEADCOUNT UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.)

Year Founded
1925

Service Area
Lewis and Thurston counties

Legislative Districts
19, 20, 35

Highest Enrolled Programs
- Associate in Arts
- Registered Nursing
- Bachelor of Applied Science—Applied Management
- Criminal Justice
- Business Administration
- Welding Technology

Enrollment
Headcount (all sources) 6,329
FTES (all sources) 2,471
Headcount (state-funded) 3,995
FTES (state-funded) 1,787

Students in Selected Programs
Applied bachelor’s 192
Corrections 1,185
I-BEST 17
International 24
Running Start 458
Worker Retraining 263

STUDENT PROFILE — STATE-FUNDED

Type of Student
43% workforce education
21% academic/transfer
29% other
7% basic skills

Race/Ethnicity*
Am. Indian/Alaska Native 4%
Asian 3%
Black/African American 2%
Hispanic/Latino 17%
Pacific Islander 1%
Other race 2%
White 82%

Gender
Female 66%
Male 34%

Attendance
50% full-time
50% part-time

Family and Finances
Students receiving need-based financial aid in eligible programs 51%
Students who work 45%
Students with children 36%

*May not add up to 100% because students may be counted in more than one race. Percentages calculated on reported value.

Median Age: 27

POINTS OF INTEREST

SWFT Center Nears Completion
The Southwest Washington Flexible Training (SWFT) Center is a new project for the Centralia College Foundation. When it opens in early 2021, the center will provide flexible training space for local business and industry, K-12, and college programs for the trades and others. Primary funding for this project was provided by the TransAlta Coal Transition Board with a grant of $1.3 million. The Centralia College Foundation has been fundraising for interior equipment, including a forestry simulator.

New Program for Youth Offenders
In spring 2020, Centralia College began a partnership with Green Hill School in Chehalis to provide education to youth offenders. A student success class was offered at the school in spring and, over the summer, 19 students were enrolled in pre-college English. In fall 2020, the program grew significantly with 19 students taking college English and 23 students enrolled in pre-college math classes. The program aims to help youth offenders transition to college and job training programs, and improve their chances of success upon reentry.

Fast-Track Degree Available for Police Officers
For adults already working as police officers, deputy sheriffs or state troopers, Centralia College is the only college or university in Washington to award 45 credits for that work experience in the Criminal Justice Crosswalk Degree program. The Crosswalk program allows law enforcement officers to fast-track their way to an associate degree by aligning the Centralia College curriculum with the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission Basic Law Enforcement Academy and the Washington State Patrol Academy.