
The 1998-1999

President's

Report



**COLLEGE OF THE
ALBEMARLE**

A
New
President

Dr. Sylvester McKay was approved by the North Carolina State Board of Community Colleges in January 1999 to become College of The Albemarle's seventh President. Dr. McKay began his new position February 1.

Dr. McKay previously served as the Vice President for Curriculum and Instructional Technology at Guilford Technical Community College since 1993.

Under Dr. McKay's leadership at Guilford Tech, the college added five new degree programs and developed more than 20 collaborative agreements with other community colleges. The college accredited numerous health and engineering technology programs, and expanded articulation agreements with the public schools and four-year colleges.

Dr. McKay has considerable experience in the area of distance learning. He has presented papers on the subject to the League for Innovation in the Community College, Conference on Information Technology, and North Carolina Community College Association of Instructional Administrators. He was also a member of the Distance Learning Task Force for the North Carolina Community College System.

Dr. McKay is a three-time graduate of North Carolina State University. He earned a B.S. degree in psychology in 1975, an M.S. degree in school psychology in 1983, and a Ph.D. in school psychology in 1990. He also completed graduate work at Washington State University. In 1998, Dr. McKay graduated from the Executive Leadership Institute, League for Innovation in Community Colleges. Dr. McKay is also a graduate of the North Carolina Community College System Executive Management and Leadership Institute.



COA's future will require strong partnerships with business and industry, public schools, and Elizabeth City State University."

— Dr. Sylvester McKay

Purpose and
Mission
Statement

PURPOSE OF THE COLLEGE

The purpose of College of The Albemarle is to provide accessible education, training, and retraining for better jobs and better lives in north-eastern North Carolina.

MISSION STATEMENT

In keeping with the mission of the North Carolina Community College System, College of The Albemarle opens the door to high-quality, accessible educational opportunities that minimize barriers to post-secondary education, maximize student success, and improve the lives and well-being of individuals by providing:

- Education, training, and retraining for the work force, including basic skills and literacy education, occupational, and pre-baccalaureate programs.
- Support for economic development through services to business and industry.
- Services to communities and individuals which improve the quality of life.



1998-99
Highlights

July 1998 — Pat Harrell, former Superintendent of Dare County Public Schools, comes on board as COA's Interim President. COA's JTPA Program begins operation.

August 1998 — The search for a new President for COA begins. The search committee is formed to include COA Trustees, students, faculty, and staff, and members of the community. Veola Spivey, appointed by the Elizabeth City-Pasquotank Board of Education, and Harry Lee Winslow, appointed by the Chowan County Board of Commissioners, are sworn in as new trustees. Martin Lancaster, President of the N.C. Community College System is COA's Summer Commencement speaker.

September 1998 — Enrollment numbers for the 1998 Fall Semester stand at 2,079. Advertisements for the Presidential Search run across the state and nation. Sonja Hibbard is voted chair of the COA Board of Trustees. COA Foundation annual fund drive in Dare County begins with a kickoff at Roanoke Festival Park. The drive was the most successful in Dare County in the history of the Foundation (see Page 7). The biology lab opens at the Dare County Campus with funding from the COA Foundation. It is the first science lab at COA Dare.

October 1998 — COA's Chowan County Center hosts another successful Elderhostel program with a focus on Historic Edenton. The COA Foundation annual drive in Chowan County begins October 19. The drive was the most successful in Chowan County in the history of the Foundation (see Page 7).

November 1998 — Annual "Day for COA" Foundation campaign blitz is held and the Foundation exceeds its fundraising goal (see Page 7).

December 1998 — A ribbon cutting ceremony is held at COA's Chowan County Center location for the new JobLink Career Center, the first of its kind in this region.

January 1999 — Dr. Sylvester McKay, former Vice President for Curriculum and Instructional Technology at Guilford Technical Community College, is approved as College of The Albemarle's seventh President. Ernest Morgan, Assistant Professor, Economics, is tapped by the Southern Regional Education Boards Electronic Campus to teach "International Marketing." The Manicuring/Nail Technology program begins operation.

February 1999 — Dr. McKay begins his tenure as COA President. The first-ever "President's List" award winners are announced for obtaining a 4.0 GPA during the 1998 Fall Semester. Winifred "Winnie" J. Wood, a former member of the State Board of Community Colleges and a member of the COA Foundation, is named to the North Carolina Community Colleges Foundation. COA's Job Placement Office announces that 94 percent of COA's 1998 graduates who responded to a survey said they were employed or continuing their education. Althea Riddick, Business Instructor, is selected to serve as Institute Director for the 1999 Rural Entrepreneurship through Action Learning (REAL) Institute.

March 1999 — A groundbreaking ceremony for the Diane Baum St. Clair Technology Center at COA's Dare County Campus is held on March 29 (see Page 4). Lenoir Community College, in conjunction with COA's Chowan County Center, announces plans to expand the aviation program. COA's Chowan County Center received a \$50,000 grant from the State Board of Community Colleges Reserve Fund to be used for the White Oak Training and Education Center project.

April 1999 — The Technology Center at the Elizabeth City campus is completed. COA Board of Trustees approve the application for a Surgical Technology program for the college. The Chowan County JobLink Career Center is chosen to be one of five model career resource centers by the N.C. Commission on Workforce Preparedness.

May 1999 — Faculty and staff begin occupying the new Technology Center. Robert Stephens, retiring English instructor, is selected by students as COA's graduation speaker.

Building Projects

Elizabeth City Campus Technology Center



The first classes at the Elizabeth City Campus Technology Center will be held in the summer of 1999.

The Elizabeth City Campus Technology Center was completed in April 1999 after 14 months of construction.

The new building, which is a result of private gifts, support from Pasquotank County, and the state bond referendum passed in 1993, includes the college's Small Business Center, Business and Computer Information Department, Continuing Education Department, computer labs, distance learning classroom, and administrative offices.

The building was occupied in May and the first classes will be held during the 1999 Summer Semester. A dedication ceremony for the Technology Center is scheduled for September 1999.

The building, which cost nearly \$3 million, was designed by The East Group of Greenville and was built by Richard Beach Builders, Inc. of Newport News, VA.

Diane Baum St. Clair Technology Education Center



Mary Merritt spoke for Diane Baum St. Clair at the groundbreaking for the Diane Baum St. Clair Technology Center.

Shovels of dirt were turned March 29, 1999, on a new building at College of The Albemarle's Dare County Campus which will move the campus into a new era of computer instruction and distance learning.

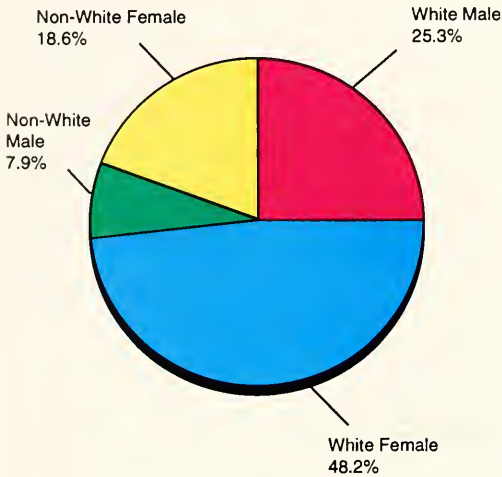
The Diane Baum St. Clair Technical Education Center, named after Nags Head resident Diane Baum St. Clair who donated \$300,000 to the project, will be built adjacent to the current Dare County Campus buildings. St. Clair's donation to the project will be used for equipment for the Information Highway room, networking, and classroom computers. St. Clair has also made past donations to the college's Basic Skills Education program and Learning Resources Center.

The new building, which was designed by the East Group of Greenville and will be built by D.A. Thomas Construction Company, Inc. of Louisburg, will include a distance education classroom that will seat approximately 80, office space for faculty, a conference room, and six classrooms. Renovations will also be made to the current Dare County Campus buildings.

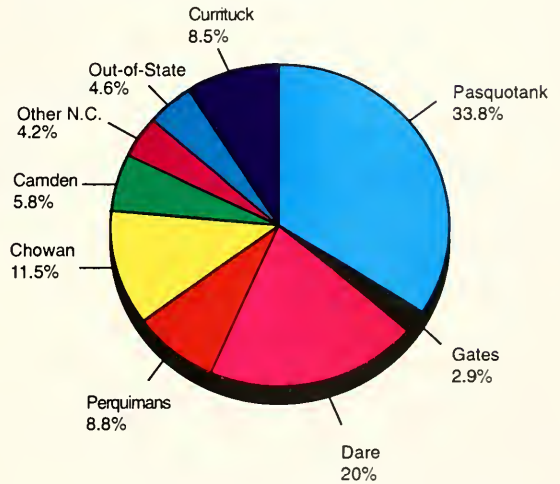


A rendering of the Diane Baum St. Clair Technology Center at College of The Albemarle's Dare County Campus. The college broke ground for the new building in March 1999.

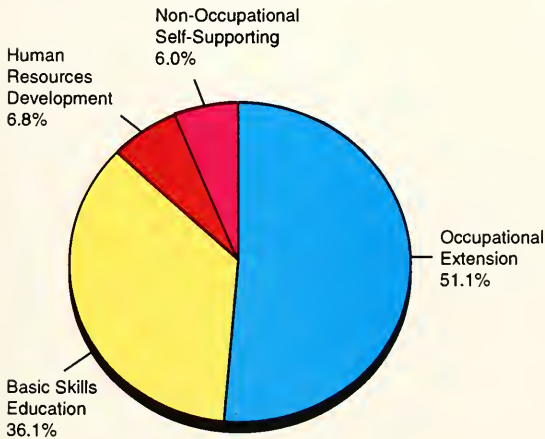
1998-99 Unduplicated Curriculum Enrollment by Gender and Race (3,963 students)



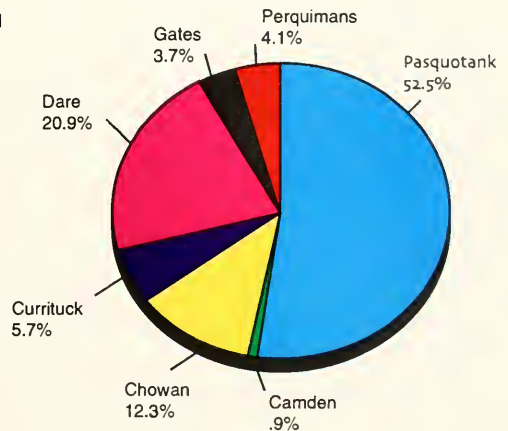
1998 Fall Semester Enrollment by County of Residence (2,079 students)



1997-98 Continuing Education Enrollment by Program (9,527 students)

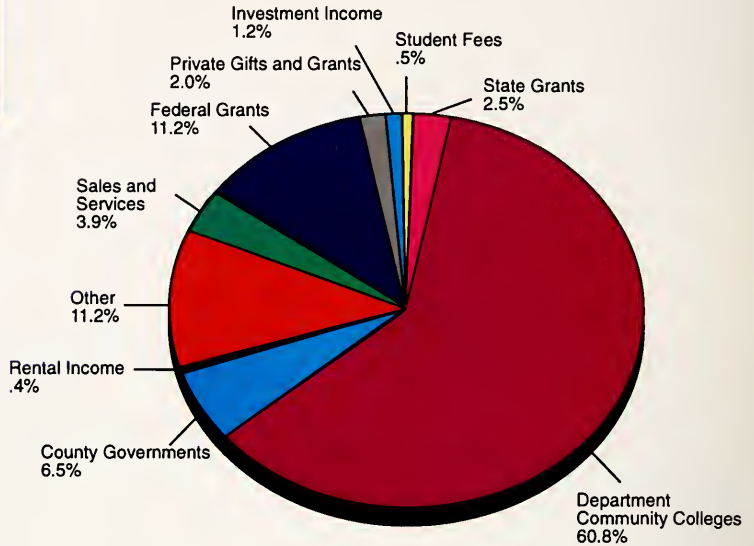


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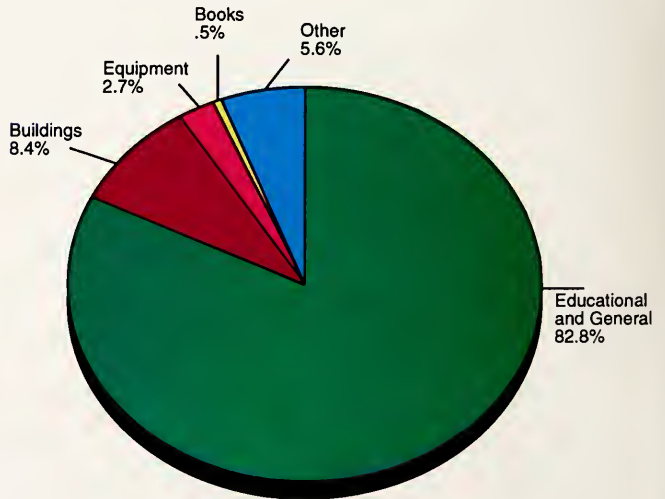
Revenues and Expenditures

1997-98 Fiscal Year Revenues (Total Revenue \$13,878,327)



According to an audit report completed by the N.C. Office of the State Auditor for the 1997-98 fiscal year, College of The Albemarle conducts its business in accordance with Government Auditing Standards.

1997-98 Fiscal Year Expenditures (Total Expenditures \$12,949,515)



Foundation Report

1998-99 Annual Fund Drive exceeds 1997-98 collections

College of The Albemarle Foundation held a successful 1998-99 annual fund drive which collected over \$170,000 compared to the 1997-98 drive which netted \$141,469.

Fund drives in Chowan County and Dare County were particularly successful, both scoring record results. In Chowan, the 1998-99 campaign pulled in over \$16,000 compared to \$1,140 in 1997-98. In Dare County, the fund drive raised over \$29,000, up from \$8,438 in 1997-98. In Elizabeth City, the goal of \$65,000 was nearly doubled.

Anonymous Unitrust Established

Established this year, this Unitrust will generate unrestricted income. The Unitrust enabled a donor to trade highly appreciated securities for a lifetime income from the Foundation. The net fair market value is currently \$980,000.

President's Circle

The following have donated an annual gift of \$1,000 or more to the 1998 COA Foundation annual campaign and are designated members of the President's Circle

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