

**Department of Technical and Adult Education (DTAE)  
& University System of Georgia Colleges  
Northwest Georgia Fact Sheet**

**Where are the DTAE & University System of Georgia partner colleges located?**

- Appalachian Technical College - [www.apptec.org](http://www.apptec.org) - Jasper 706.253.4500; Epworth 706.492-4240
- Chattahoochee Technical College - [www.chattcollege.com](http://www.chattcollege.com) - Dallas 770.443.3600
- Coosa Valley Technical College - [www.cvtcollege.org](http://www.cvtcollege.org) - Calhoun 706.624.1100; Rockmart 770.684.5696; Rome 706.295.6963; 888.331.2882
- Dalton State College - [www.daltonstate.edu](http://www.daltonstate.edu) - Dalton 706.272.4436; 800.829.4436
- Floyd College - [www.floyd.edu](http://www.floyd.edu) - Rome 706.802.5000; Cartersville 770.387.3775, North Metro 770.975.4088
- North Metro Technical College - [www.nmtcollege.org](http://www.nmtcollege.org) - Acworth 770.975.4000; Cartersville 770.387.5457
- Northwestern Technical College - [www.northwesterntech.edu](http://www.northwesterntech.edu) - Rock Spring 706.764.3510; 800.735.5726
- West Central Technical College - [www.westcentral.org](http://www.westcentral.org) - Waco 770.537.6000

**What type training programs are offered by the colleges?**

Georgia's Technical Colleges and Dalton State College offer a wide variety of associate degrees and diplomas in a diverse range of occupational and career areas. In addition, Dalton State offers four-year programs. The colleges vary in the specific degrees and diplomas that they offer.

- Associate Degree programs normally require two years of study; credits may transfer to a four-year college.
- Certified Specialist Programs are unique certification programs. Areas of study include Certified Manufacturing Specialist, Certified Customer Service Specialist, Certified Warehousing and Distribution Specialist, and Certified Construction Worker. Certified Export Specialist is presently under development.
- Continuing Education programs are short courses, workshops, and seminars for professional development and personal enrichment. Students who satisfactorily complete most career, professional and technical courses receive continuing education units (CEUs).
- Diploma Programs are in various occupational fields which carry transferrable credits to other Technical Colleges, normally twelve to eighteen months of training.
- Four-year programs leading to a Bachelor's degree are offered by Dalton State College.
- Technical Certificate of Credit is a complete program of study composed of courses that are related to a specialized area and normally require no longer than one year of training.
- Virtual Technical College

**In addition to training, what services are available to students?**

Financial Aid information and assistance  
Individualized, academic, career and personal counseling  
Interest Inventories  
Job Clubs  
Job search assistance  
Workplace skill development  
Life skills training and workshops  
Resume preparation  
Specialized assessments  
Veteran services

**What services do the career resource centers (one-stop centers) offer and what are their telephone numbers?**

The career centers are collaborative efforts between the colleges and the community to provide an integrated system of services for employers and job seekers. The agencies working with the centers vary by location and generally include the Department of Labor, Family and Children Services, Vocational Rehabilitation, Workforce Investment Program, New Connections to Work, Georgia Fatherhood Program, etc. The centers offer access to computers and the Internet and provide assistance and activities to help individuals enter training or become employed.

Appalachian Technical College, One-Stop Shop 706.253.4591  
Coosa Valley Technical College, Career Transition Services 706-295.6854  
North Metro Technical College, Career Transition Center 770-975-4099  
Northwestern Technical College, Career Depot 706.764.3597

### **What is the Georgia Virtual Technical College (GVTC)?**

GVTC is an initiative of Georgia DTAE. GVTC went online in the fall of 1998 to provide access to high quality technical programs and services over the Internet. Students get the same high quality instruction and course content that technical colleges provide to traditional students but at a time and place convenient to them. GVTC is made up of contributing fully accredited postsecondary technical college members. The GVTC members work together creating courses and programs using the Internet as the delivery medium. The "hands-on" portion of the instruction (when required) is made possible through several local and regional centers located throughout the state of Georgia and the existence of a standardized curriculum among the technical colleges. Visit [www.gvtc.org](http://www.gvtc.org) or telephone (Toll Free) 1-877-532-GVTC for more information.

### **What is the Georgia Fatherhood Program (GFP)?**

The GFP is a partnership between DTAE and the Department of Human Resources, Child Support Enforcement. The program provides education, training, and job placement for non-custodial parents with court-ordered child support. GFP is a comprehensive program of services which includes assessment, workshops, and skills training concurrent with employment. The offices are located as follows:

Appalachian Technical College, Jasper, 706.253.4423  
Chattahoochee Technical College, Marietta, 770.528.4552  
Coosa Valley Technical College, Rome, 706.802.5630  
Dalton State College, Dalton, 706.272.2662  
North Metro Technical College, Acworth, 770.975.4007  
Northwestern Technical College, Rock Spring 706.764.3730  
West Central Technical College, Waco 770.838.2526  
Web Site: <http://www.ganet.org/GAFatherhood/>

### **What is New Connections to Work?**

New Connections to Work is a comprehensive training and employment program which provides student support services and preparation to increase access to technical colleges and employment. It eliminates barriers to opportunity and promotes economic self-sufficiency for single parents, displaced homemakers, single pregnant women, and Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) recipients. Services include assessment/testing, career guidance, job-readiness/job search activities, life management/employability workshops, and skills training. The offices are located as follows:

Appalachian Technical College, Jasper 706.253.4591  
Chattahoochee Technical College, Marietta 770.528.4484  
Coosa Valley Technical College, Rome 706.802.5040  
Dalton State College, Dalton 706.272.4592  
North Metro Technical College, Acworth 770.975.4023  
Northwestern Technical College, Rock Spring, 706.764.3697  
West Central Technical College, Waco 770.537.2970

### **What services are offered by Adult Literacy and where are they located?**

Adult Literacy programs are available to adults needing basic, general, or specialized skills instruction. Students who successfully pass the General Educational Development (GED) exams are awarded the GED high school diploma. Adult Literacy programs are available in a variety of locations through the Northwest Georgia region. The main offices are located as follows:

- Appalachian Technical College, Jasper; serves Cherokee, Fannin, Gilmer & Pickens Counties 706.253.4543
- Cobb County Public Schools, Marietta; serves Cobb and Paulding Counties 770.528.6515
- Coosa Valley Technical College, Rome; serves Floyd, Gordon and Polk Counties 706.295.6972
- Dalton State College, Dalton; serves Murray and Whitfield Counties 706.226.4402
- North Metro Technical College, Acworth; serves Bartow County 770.75.4082
- Northwestern Technical College, Rock Spring; serves Catoosa, Chattooga, Dade and Walker Counties 706.764.3564
- Rome Housing Authority, Rome; serves Floyd County 706.291.9668

- West Central Technical College, Waco; serves Carroll, Coweta, Douglas and Haralson Counties 770.836.6701

### **What the Georgia School to Work initiatives?**

The Georgia School-to-Work program complements existing education-improvement initiatives by identifying gaps that impede a smooth transition into the workplace for the state's secondary and postsecondary student population. The program focuses on helping local communities improve methods of preparing all students for career success. The Tech Prep/School-to-Work coordinators in Northwest Georgia may be reached at:

Appalachian Technical College, Jasper 706.253.4550  
 Chattahoochee Technical College, Marietta 770.443.3604  
 Coosa Valley Technical College, Rome 706.295.6952  
 Dalton State College, Dalton (located at Department of Labor) 706.272.2660  
 North Metro Technical College, Acworth 770.975.4029; Cartersville 770.387.3756  
 Northwestern Technical College, Rock Spring 706.764.3735  
 West Central Technical College, Waco 770.537.5367

### **What is Quick Start?**

Georgia's Quick Start programs provide high-quality training services at no cost to new or expanding businesses in Georgia. Quick Start develops customized training programs for each participating business. Quick Start programs in Northwest Georgia may be reached at:

Appalachian Technical College, Jasper 706.253.4518  
 Chattahoochee Technical College, Marietta 770.528.4512  
 Coosa Valley Technical College, Rome 706.295.6960  
 Dalton State College, Dalton 706.272.4454  
 North Metro Technical College, Acworth 770.975.4017  
 Northwestern Technical College, Rock Spring 706.764.3700  
 West Central Technical College, Carrollton 770.836.6820

### **What are the telephone numbers of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) coordinators? (See the Coosa Valley RDC fact sheet for the service offered through WIA.)**

Appalachian Technical College, Jasper 706.253.4422 or 706.253.4590  
 Chattahoochee Technical College, Dallas 770.443.3622  
 Coosa Valley Technical College, Rome 706.295.6935  
 Dalton State College, Dalton 706.272.4412  
 North Metro Technical College, Acworth, 770.975.4017  
 Northwestern Technical College, Rock Spring 706.764.3591  
 West Central Technical College, Waco 770.537.1902

### **What is the Education Opportunity Center (EOC)?**

The Southern Appalachian Educational Opportunity Center was founded in 1998 to provide information and assistance or persons to become enrolled in a postsecondary educational/training program. Services include educational information, financial aid counseling, academic advising, career counseling, and referral services. All services are free to any person who resides or attends school in the area EOC. Lower income adults whose parents have not received college degrees are especially encouraged to apply. The program serving Catoosa, Dade, and Walker Counties is located at Northwestern Technical College and can be reached at 706.639.2065.

### **What guarantees are provided by partner colleges to employers?**

The warranty guarantees that the graduate has demonstrated the knowledge and skills and can perform each competency as identified in the industry-validated Standard or Program Guide. Any program graduate who is determined to lack such competence shall be retrained at no cost to the employer or the graduate.