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**PRESS RELEASE**

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***FTCC Receives Reaffirmed Accreditation  
by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges***

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C.- December 13, 2011 – Fayetteville Technical Community College (FTCC) was notified by the Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACS/COC) of its reaffirmed accreditation with no additional report requested. The information was shared with FTCC President Dr. Larry Keen in a letter from Dr. Belle S. Wheelan, President of the SACS/COC. The official announcement was made at the 2011 annual SACS meeting held in Orlando December 3-6.

“I congratulate the leadership team at Fayetteville Tech whose diligent efforts throughout this process resulted in this success; yet, I know without doubt that this leadership team joins me in also congratulating every FTCC employee who supports and serves our students, because their roles are fundamental in contributing to this celebration of reaffirmation. As I reflect on Fayetteville Tech’s 50-year history of outstanding service, I am reminded that the hard work of faculty and staff members has been nothing short of exceptional,” said FTCC President Dr. Larry Keen.

Fayetteville Tech’s next reaffirmation is scheduled to occur in 2021.

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges is the regional body for the accreditation of degree-granting higher education institutions in the Southern states. The Commission’s mission is the enhancement of educational quality throughout the region, and it strives to improve the effectiveness of institutions by ensuring that institutions meet standards established by the higher education community that address the needs of society and students. It serves as the common denominator of shared values and practices among the diverse institutions in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Latin America, and other international sites approved by the Commission on Colleges that award associate, baccalaureate, master’s, or doctoral degrees.

Fayetteville Technical Community College was established in 1961 and serves over 38,000 students annually by providing over 150 affordable occupational, technical, general education, college transfer, and continuing education programs to meet students' needs and desires as well as the community. Visit FTCC's website at [www.faytechcc.edu](http://www.faytechcc.edu).

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