



Now Accepting Applications for  
**PRESIDENT**

**Lurleen B. Wallace Community College**, a comprehensive community college with three campuses and one instructional site, seeks a visionary and experienced senior administrator, who will provide exceptional leadership as the **President**. The President reports to the Chancellor of the Alabama Community College System.



*Application materials must be received by 12:00 p.m. CST on October 14, 2020.*

## POSITION SUMMARY

The President is the chief executive officer of the college and reports directly to the Chancellor of the Alabama Community College System. The President is responsible for business and community engagement, advancement, campus culture, and the student experience. The President is a champion for removing barriers to success through student-focused actions and support of expanded comprehensive services to students. The President is responsible for administering and supervising the total college program in the assigned college. As chief executive officer, the President must delegate authority and yet retain final responsibility for the effective operation of the college.

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## Responsibilities

- Cooperate with and support the ACCS Board and the Chancellor to enhance and promote the continued development and effectiveness of the ACCS as a comprehensive provider of post-secondary education and training.
- Demonstrate effective leadership and management skills within the College and external community, including leading by example and participation.
- Enhance, foster, cultivate and promote strong, positive relationships with local business and industry, community organizations, K-12 schools, and elected state and community leaders.
- Fundraise and develop a strong, responsive College foundation.
- Conduct appropriate long-range strategic planning and budget formation, implementation, and adherence.
- Prepare and submit an annual, fiscally-responsible balanced operating budget and properly administer the approved budget.
- Institute policies and procedures that are consistent with ACCS Board policies and Chancellor's procedures, and that ensure compliance with, and effective administration of, Federal student financial aid and grant programs.
- Administer and operate all affairs of the college within state law, federal law, ACCS policies and guidelines, College policy, and in conformance with applicable accreditation and auditing standards.
- Supervise and maintain College buildings, grounds, and equipment.
- Develop economic and workforce development training and educational offerings that facilitate the growth of business and industry in Alabama.
- Develop and implement effective recruitment, marketing, and retention plans.
- Employ strategies that allow easy access to education, training, and career pathways for historically underserved populations.

- Develop a culture of continuous improvement in teaching and learning that leads to increased student success.
- Work to ensure optimal student usage of STARS transfer guides for minimal loss of credit when students transfer to four-year universities and colleges, and a successful reverse transfer of credits for students from four-year institutions back to the College in order to complete a degree.
- Employ innovative strategies to ensure underprepared students have a viable pathway to success.
- Implement a variety of student success strategies that effectively promote completion of formal College awards, attainment of industry-recognized credentials, and preparation for jobs in Alabama.
- Employ and retain qualified and productive personnel through the implementation of an effective human resources program.
- Understand and follow Alabama law in the appointment, supervision, disciplining, and dismissing of College employees.
- Always display a highly professional attitude and demeanor.
- Communicate and consult with the Chancellor regarding material items of management and operation of the College.
- Effectively manage and resolve crises, problems, or conflicts.
- Expand existing, and create or develop new or innovative programming and educational opportunities (both credit and non-credit) to increase community engagement, promote workforce development, and generate revenue that supports ACCS missions and goals.
- Promote an organizational culture of professional excellence, customer service, innovation, quality services, and continuous improvement.

## Qualifications

- A minimum of a Master's degree from a nationally or regionally accredited college or university is required. Earned doctorate from a nationally or regionally accredited college or university is desired.
- Five years of experience in an educational setting, preferably in community college / higher education, including three years in upper management.
- Demonstrated experience in oral and written communications confirming the ability to effectively research ideas, organize thoughts, and persuade diverse internal and external audiences.
- Knowledge of the mission and role of public two-year institutions, particularly their important role in community economic development and workforce development is

required.

- Experience in interpreting organizational needs, programs, and activities to the employees, community organizations and agencies, area school systems, the Legislature, and providing services training for business and industry is required.
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## Educational Philosophy

- Committed to the community college concept of quality education.
  - Committed to the professional development of faculty and staff.
  - Student-oriented in the sense of recognizing that all aspects of the college are to facilitate learning and student development, with the student obtaining a level of competency and the student being kept informed of progress.
  - Committed to the offering of programs that are relevant to the current needs of business and industry.
  - Demonstrated knowledge of the academic transfer programs and evidence of ability to work with the four-year institutions.
  - Demonstrated knowledge of the technical programs and evidence of ability to work with business and industry.
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## Personal Characteristics

- Demonstrated sensitivity to all facets of the community, including the needs of the various groups of which it is comprised.
- Demonstrated ability to communicate well, both orally and in writing.
- Demonstrated ability to work as a team member, which includes all segments of the college faculty, staff, students, and governing boards.
- Demonstrated leadership, decision-making, and coordinating abilities in a complex organization.
- Demonstrated ability to project a positive public image.

## About Lurleen B. Wallace Community College



Lurleen B. Wallace Community College, named for former Governor Lurleen Burns Wallace, began on November 22, 1965, when Douglas MacArthur State Technical College in Opp, Alabama, opened its doors, admitting 116 students in 12 departments. Douglas MacArthur State Technical College grew to 11 buildings over the next 31 years until its merger with Lurleen B. Wallace State Junior College in 2003.

In September 1969, Lurleen B. Wallace State Junior College in Andalusia, Alabama, began at a temporary location until May 1970, when the College moved to its current location.

On January 23, 2003, Lurleen B. Wallace State Junior College merged with Douglas MacArthur State Technical College to create Lurleen B. Wallace Community College with campuses in Andalusia, Opp, and Greenville, Alabama.

In January 2006, the College established a center in Luverne, Alabama, offering adult education and training for business and industry.

In October 2006, the Vermelle Evers Donaldson Cosmetic Arts Center was dedicated on the MacArthur Campus. In November 2007, two new buildings were completed: The Child Development Center on the Andalusia Campus and the Technology Building on the Greenville campus.


In 2009, the Luverne Center was renovated, and the Wendell Mitchell Conference Center on the Greenville Campus was completed. In 2013, the LBWCC Foundation created Saints Hall – a Foundation-owned student housing complex – adjacent to the Andalusia Campus.

Lurleen B. Wallace Community College celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2015. In May of 2019, the members of the Douglas MacArthur State Technical College Foundation and the Lurleen B. Wallace Community College Foundation (LBWCC Foundation) voted to merge the Douglas MacArthur State Technical College Foundation into the LBWCC Foundation. The combined Foundation will administer endowed scholarship funds from both prior foundations and raise money to support students at all locations of the College.

In June 2019, the ACCS Board of Trustees authorized the College to enter into an agreement with the LBWCC Foundation for the lease, operation, and management of Saints Hall.

Currently, the Andalusia Campus is comprised of 160 acres and joins the LBWCC Golf Course and the City of Andalusia's Dream Park. The campus has a public walking trail and tennis courts. The Greenville Campus, conveniently located near I-65, is only 50 miles from Montgomery. The MacArthur Campus is comprised of 100 acres and joins the Opp Public Library/LBWCC MacArthur Library and includes a new walking trail. The Luverne Center houses adult education, training for business and industry classes, continuing education classes, and university transfer courses.

Lurleen B. Wallace Community College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award Associate degrees in Arts, Science, and Applied Science.

Lurleen B. Wallace Community College offers students numerous clubs and organizations, and special events, such as the Ms. LBWCC Pageant, Saints Day, Blue/White Day, and special performances held in conjunction with the Covington Arts Council. The College participates in intercollegiate athletics in the National Junior College Athletic Association in Men's and Women's Basketball, Baseball and Softball. 





*Lurleen B. Wallace Community College serves more than 2,514 students annually across four campuses. This presidency provides an excellent leadership opportunity for a well-experienced administrator who is committed to successfully preparing students for career paths that meet the area's growing economic and workforce development needs.*

## *Application Procedure*

*To be considered for this position, a complete application package must be received in the ACCS Human Resources office on or before **October 14, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. CST**. Application materials will be accepted via mail delivery, hand delivery, or via e-mail ([nikita.payne@accs.edu](mailto:nikita.payne@accs.edu)). Faxed application materials will not be accepted. A complete application packet consists of:*

- 1. a letter of interest;**
- 2. a completed official presidential application form;**
- 3. a comprehensive résumé or curriculum vitae;**
- 4. a list of five references, including complete contact information for each reference;**
- 5. unofficial college transcripts, including identification of the applicant, the institution, and the degree(s) earned.**

Application forms may be obtained at [www.accs.edu](http://www.accs.edu) under “**Job Postings**” or by calling **(334) 293-4628**. A complete application packet must be submitted to:

**ACCS Human Resources  
Attn: Ms. Nikita Payne  
P. O. Box 302130  
Montgomery, AL 36130-2130**

*Applications may be e-mailed to [nikita.payne@accs.edu](mailto:nikita.payne@accs.edu) or hand-delivered to:*

**135 South Union Street  
Montgomery, AL**

Questions regarding the application and selection processes may be referred to Ms. Nikita Payne, Director of Human Resources, by phone at **(334) 293-4603** or by email at [nikita.payne@accs.edu](mailto:nikita.payne@accs.edu).

Salary is dependent upon qualifications and experience. The salary range is **\$145,000 to \$205,000** and other allowances are provided. Benefits include retirement plan, health insurance, and others.

The successful candidate must be available to assume the position within a reasonable time and must be willing to relocate to the college community. Finalists will be required to provide official college transcripts and submit to a criminal background check.

*Selection process is subject to the Alabama Sunshine Law.*



*The Alabama Community College System is an equal opportunity employer. It is the official policy of the Alabama Community College System that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, gender, religion, creed, national origin, age, or disability, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or subjected to discrimination under any program, activity, or employment.*