Learn more about Snead State Community College. Founded in 1898, Snead State has a tradition of excellence in education. By reading more about the College as a whole, including the mission and goals, you can find out how you can become a part of the tradition.
About Us

Snead State Community College is the oldest College in the Alabama Community College System to award Associate degrees. The school originated in 1898, when the Boaz Seminary was authorized by the Methodist Episcopal Church. The E.B.L. Elder family arrived in Boaz in June 1899 and opened the seminary in their home in July of that year with an enrollment of 70 pupils. The Boaz Seminary grew rapidly, and in 1906 its name was changed to John H. Snead Seminary in honor of Mr. Snead, a Boaz businessman and friend of education, who contributed land, money, and leadership to the Seminary. John H. Snead Seminary remained one of Alabama’s strong secondary schools for almost a fourth of a century and graduated more than 1,200 young men and women.

In the fall of 1935, Snead Junior College was duly chartered by the State of Alabama and began operation as a junior college under the supervision of the North Alabama Conference of the Methodist Church. Snead State Junior College was accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools in 1941.

In May 1992, the State Board of Education authorized Snead State Junior College to become Snead State Community College.

In January 2008, Dr. Robert J. Exley became the 17th president of Snead State. The average enrollment for Snead State is 2,300 students.

In 2015, Snead State Community College was placed under the control of the Alabama Community College Board of Trustees.

Equal Opportunity Policy

It is the policy of the Alabama Community College System Board of Trustees and Snead State Community College, a postsecondary College under its control, that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, disability, sex, religion, creed, national origin, or age, be excluded from participation in, be denied benefit of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program, activity, or employment.

Snead State complies with non-discrimination regulations under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C., subsections 1681-1683, 1685-1686), which prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (20 U.S.C. subsection 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disabilities; Title IX, Section 106.8, which provides protection against acts of sexual harassment; the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; and the Campus Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990 (Title II of Public Law 101-542). (See page 130 for Snead State’s Sexual Harassment Policy and page 132 for Snead State’s Campus Security Policy). Inquiries concerning Title VI, Title VII, Title IX, Title II, ADA, and/or Section 504 may be directed to

SSCC Human Resources Department
Amanda Gunnels
agunnels@snead.edu
256.840.4113


Information about the College is available to persons who use TDD (Telecommunications Device for the Deaf) through the Alabama Relay Center. Audio tapes of select College publications are available for the visually impaired. Requests for tapes must be made in advance of the time needed.
College Goals

The focus of planning at Snead State Community College is continued growth. We must consistently grow the College in many ways including enrollment, the variety of academic programs of study, and collaborative partnerships with our community.

We remain committed to these primary College goals to foster this growth:

- We will build upon our excellent academic reputation by expanding available programs of study to more effectively achieve our mission as a comprehensive community college.
- We will secure effective human capital through recruitment, training and re-training, and retention of highly skilled faculty and staff.
- We will upgrade, improve, expand and maintain high quality College facilities and grounds.
- We will grow and develop online learning to provide more opportunities for students and to increase the completion rate through quality assurance.
- We will leverage resources to maximize the College's strengths and efficiency.
ACCREDITATIONS

Snead State Community College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award the Associate degree. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of Snead State Community College.

Snead State is also accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. (ACEN) (3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850, Atlanta, Ga., 30326; telephone 404.975.5000; www.acenursing.org).

MEMBERSHIPS

Snead State Community College is a member of the Alabama Community College System and of the following organizations:

- American Association of Community Colleges
- Alabama Community College Association
- League for Innovation in the Two-Year College
- Public Affairs Research Council of Alabama
- Rural Community College Alliance
- Southern Association of Colleges with Associate Degrees

CAMPUS

The Snead State campus, one of the older and more attractive campuses in the State, is located on approximately forty-three acres, two blocks west of the main business section of the city of Boaz, Alabama. On this plot are nineteen major buildings, athletic facilities, a cafeteria and an annex. A gazebo, lawns, shrubbery, and wooded groves are interspersed.

- The Academic Success Center was renovated in 2014 to house tutoring for students. With a purpose to help students graduate, the ASC provides academic support services, such as tutoring. Disability services and career services are also available in the ASC.
- The Administration Building, which occupies the eastern side of the quadrangle, houses classrooms, Fielder Auditorium, the College library, a Heritage Room, commons room, and Administrative offices. Originally built in 1920 and opened in 1921, the Administration Building was renovated and reopened in the summer 2012.
- The Alumni House is located on West Mann Avenue and houses the offices of Public Relations/Marketing/Alumni Affairs. The house includes a small conference room, full kitchen, and back patio area.
- The Art Annex adjoins the cafeteria and houses art classrooms and ceramics laboratories.
- The Cafeteria is located on Elder Street and is open for students and the community. In addition to the main dining area, the cafeteria has a civic meeting room and the President's Dining Room.
- The Chalmus L. Weathers Business Building is a modern structure completed in the fall of 1992. It contains 11,000 square feet and houses a small auditorium, faculty offices, and five class/laboratory rooms used for business classes.
- The Claude M. Elrod Science Building is one of the premier state-of-the-art science and mathematics facilities in the State. The Science Building contains three floors of classrooms, offices and a lecture hall. The building was renovated during 2003-2004 and opened in January 2005.
- Elder Hall, located on West Mann Avenue, serves as the student resident facility and utilizes apartment-style living space.
- The Elrod Hospitality Center, located on Mann Avenue, serves as the home of the President and is used to host meetings and receptions.
- The Emmett Plunkett-Lurleen B. Wallace Gymnasium is used for varsity basketball and volleyball, intramural sports, and physical education activities and classes.
- The Glenn L. Maze Music Building, which is acoustically treated and well-equipped, contains six teaching studios, two classrooms, three rehearsal rooms, and six sound module practice rooms.
- The Joe Starnes Memorial Chapel is used for College religious activities and has, on several occasions, been the scene of weddings. The chapel is located inside the cafeteria.
- The Maintenance Building, which is located on the north side of the campus next to the Academic Success Center, houses the Operations and Maintenance Department, and serves as a record storage facility.
• **The Norton Social Sciences Building** once served as the library and a museum to house the history of Snead State and the surrounding area. The renovated building reopened in 2010 to house classrooms and offices of the Social Sciences Division.

• **The Robert B. Aderholt Health Sciences Building** is located on the north side of the campus and houses SSCC’s nursing program.

• **The Student Union Building** contains the TRiO Upward Bound and Student Support Services Offices as well as meeting and classroom space. A cafe-type area in the SUB is used for special events or fundraisers. The main area contains recreational games, vending machines, and televisions for student use. It serves as a general gathering area for students.

• **The Technology Center** provides modern laboratories in computer graphics, electronics, engineering technology, office administration, and computer science.

• **The Tom Bevill Continuing Education Center**, a modern structure completed in the fall of 1992, is used for cultural, educational, and entertainment events. The facility encompasses almost 50,000 square feet and houses a banquet hall, meeting rooms, galleries, and a state-of-the-art auditorium.

• **The Virgil B. McCain Student Success Center** is your one-stop shop for Student Services. The building has two floors with Information Technology, Testing Office, and Business Offices located on the bottom floor. The top floor houses Admissions, Campus Engagement, college transfer information, Financial Aid, Records, and offices for Recruiting and intake advising.

• **The William H. Osborn English Building** is a Georgian-style instructional building completed in the spring 1988. It contains faculty offices, a computer lab and four classrooms.

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**Arab Instructional Site**

Snead State Community College operates an instructional site for the College at 261 S. Main Street in Arab. Various courses from academic/technical departments are offered at the site each semester. Courses offered at the instructional site meet the same academic requirements as on-campus courses. Faculty teaching at the site meets the same credentialing requirements as on-campus faculty. This site offers a convenience to SSCC students who live in the western part of the service area.

**Alumni Association**

The Snead State Alumni Association, active since 1920, is open to current and former students, graduates of Snead, and friends of the College. People can join as an annual or lifetime member. Those who did not attend Snead can join as Alumni by Choice.

Each year, the Alumni Association provides a scholarship that is awarded to a student attending Snead State Community College. The association also presents the Alumni of the Year Award annually and the Distinguished Service Award as nominations are received.
Student success is our goal. Achieving this goal goes beyond a challenging curriculum and an experienced faculty and staff. It extends to the variety of resources available to students to help them achieve their goals and to make the most of the time at Snead State.

Student Success Center
256.571.0600 | STUDENTSERVICES@SNEAD.EDU

Snead State Community College is dedicated to the enrichment and success of our students. As a representation of Snead State’s commitment to that success, we have created the Student Success Center.

The Student Success Center is a place where students can come and receive everything that they might need in order to attend College, as well as offering a space to provide exceptional student service to enrolled students. The Student Success Center is located in the McCain Building and has many departments represented inside: Admissions, Records, Campus Engagement, Financial Aid, Testing, and the Business Office. In addition to these, many services are available to students at the Student Success Center. These services include access to multiple computer labs and general intake advising.

The Student Success Center is staffed with a help desk to guide individuals in their pursuit for information and/or assistance. The center has a large open area that is used for multiple events; including speakers, club meetings, study hall, receptions, and workshops. Success is the responsibility of the Student, but the Student Success Center is available to provide the support necessary to achieve that goal.

Snead State Library
256.840.4173 | JMILLER@SNEAD.EDU

The Snead State Library, which is located in room 105 of the Administration Building (directly to the left of the main entrance), offers online access to over 70 databases as well as over 50,000 electronic books through a state-of-the-art Integrated Library System, “Virgil.” In addition, the library also maintains a collection of over 5,000 print volumes. It offers both online and in-person library orientation and information literacy training. Online training includes instructional videos, “guest librarians” within Blackboard classes, and contact through email and social media. Within the library, students have access to study areas and can read or check out books as well as Nook eReaders.

Ten desktop computers as well as 10 laptop computers are available for students during the hours the library is open. Headphones are also available for listening to audio on computers. Reference Librarians are available to answer questions, help with the use of the online system and databases, and aid in locating materials.

Academic Success Center
256.840.4151 | ASC@SNEAD.EDU

The Academic Success Center (ASC) is part of Snead State Community College’s desire to create an atmosphere where every student feels connected to the College, understands that the purpose is to help them graduate, and has available services to help them progress towards graduation.

The Academic Success Center provides academic support services free of charge to all Snead State Community College students. Individualized tutoring is available. In addition to individualized tutoring, the ASC also offers on-line tutoring, group tutoring, career exploration software, and Student Success Workshops on topics such as Study Skills, Time Management, Note Taking, Resume Building, Blackboard Navigation, etc.

Programs and services offered through the ASC provide students with the individual and group opportunities needed to become successful, active learners and assist students in developing independent learning techniques that will contribute to their academic and personal growth. Located behind the baseball field in the former Cosmetology building, the Academic Success Center is well equipped with a computer lab, individualized tutoring space, small and large group tutoring space, and space to simply relax and study on your own.

Disability services and career services are also available to students at the ASC.
**DISTANCE EDUCATION**  
**256.840.4124 | DL@snead.edu**

Through distance education, Snead State Community College is teaching beyond its campus into homes and workplaces to help students overcome the obstacles of time, geography, career, and family commitments. The distance education courses are based on the same instructional outcomes and objectives as on-campus courses. These courses have been developed using technologies to aid in student-teacher interaction and enhance learning experiences. A majority of on-campus courses have the ability to provide content via the Internet.

**Blackboard (Online) Courses** – Blackboard courses offer online instruction delivered through the World Wide Web directly to the student’s home or corporate desktop. Students receive instruction, interact with instructors, and complete assignments and exams via the Internet. Not all courses are suitable for an online format. Certain online courses require on-campus meetings and/or examinations. Students should check the course schedule to determine whether on-campus meetings are required.

Students register for distance education courses during the regularly scheduled registration period.

**TRiO PROGRAM**  
**256.840.4131 | Msmith@snead.edu**

**Student Support Services:** Funded by the United States Department of Education and hosted by Snead State Community College, the TRiO Student Support Services Program provides opportunities for academic development, assists students with basic college requirements, and serves to motivate students toward the successful completion of their postsecondary education.

The goal of SSS is to increase the college retention and graduation rates of its participants and help students make the transition from one level of higher education to the next.

Services available to active participants of the TRiO Student Support Services Program include tutoring, Lending Resource Library, laptop computer loan program, grant aid scholarships, printer and copier service, university and cultural events, EAP (Educational Action Plan), academic advising, workshops, mentoring, and transfer assistance.

**Upward Bound:** TRiO Upward Bound is a federal college preparatory program designed to encourage high school students to develop the academic skills and motivation necessary for success in postsecondary education. Funded by the United States Department of Education and hosted by Snead State Community College, the program serves eligible students from Asbury, Boaz, Brindlee Mountain, DAR, and Douglas High Schools.

Services available to active participants of the TRiO Upward Bound Program include academic instruction, tutoring, financial literacy, career assessment and planning, mentor and advising services, IEP (Individual Education Plan), and preparation for college enrollment and cultural enrichment activities. Services are provided throughout the year at the Snead State Community College campus but occur in two components - the TRiO Upward Bound Academic Year and the TRiO Upward Bound Summer Academy.

**ADA/DISABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES**  
**256.840.4151 | ADA@snead.edu**

Snead State Community College is committed to providing programs and services accessible to students with disabilities. The Alabama Community College System provides environmental and programmatic access for persons with documented disabilities as defined in Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Contact the Office of Disability Services located in the Academic Success Center for more information. You must present documentation of disability to receive ADA services.

**What is a disability?**

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) a disability is defined as a “mental or physical impairment which substantially limits one or more major life activities.” Walking, eating, talking, breathing, writing, listening, and learning are examples of major life activities. If you have a documented physical or mental impairment, you may be entitled to certain accommodations and/or academic adjustments under the ADA. ([http://www.accs.edu/studentservices.apsx](http://www.accs.edu/studentservices.apsx))
What does “substantially limited” mean?

A person can be substantially limited in performing a major life activity if they are:

- unable to perform the major life activity, or
- significantly restricted as to the condition, manner, or duration under which the activity can be performed when compared to the average person or most people. (http://www.accs.edu/studentservices.aspx)

Documentation Required

Request for documentation forms are available at www.snead.edu for the following conditions:

- Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
- Learning Disability
- Mobility, Sensory, and/or Systemic Disorder
- Psychiatric Disabilities
- Traumatic Brain Injury

After your completed documentation is received, you will meet individually with the ADA Coordinator to discuss your accommodations. ADA services are not retroactive; therefore, students are advised to register with the ADA coordinator before they begin classes.

To ensure that ADA services are continued, it is the student’s responsibility to contact the ADA coordinator at the beginning of each semester. ADA does not provide financial aid, attendant (personal) care, transportation services, or tutoring.

Requests for reasonable accommodations should be directed to:

Rachel Green White
Director of Student Success/ADA Coordinator
Snead State Community College
P.O. Box 734, Boaz, AL 35957
Academic Success Center
256-840-4151
ada@snead.edu
Snead State provides a residence hall for students. Snead students living away from home are encouraged to live in the residence hall. Residence hall life can be a rewarding and educational experience. Lifelong friendships frequently begin among residents. Independence is fostered at the same time dependence upon others is being taught. Habits of health, cleanliness, study, and social living are established. It requires, however, a give-and-take attitude, a strong respect of the rights of others, a thorough knowledge of the rules required when people live together in close quarters, and a cooperative attitude that works for the general good of all residents.

Residents must furnish their own light bulbs, bed linens, blankets, pillows, toiletry articles, and lamps. Each room has a desk, chair, bed, mattress, and individual closets. The rooms have individual heating and air-conditioning units.

A room inventory record is made prior to the student occupying the room. This record is signed by the student and should note any missing or damaged items. Residents will be held liable for willfully changing locks or damaging College property including the windows, doors and/or contents of the rooms. Repairs or replacements required will be charged to the resident or responsible party.

An application for housing is available on the College’s website, www.snead.edu.

The Snead State Cafeteria serves meals to students, employees, and members of the community. The cafeteria is open for lunch from 10:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 10:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Sunday. The cafeteria is closed on Saturday.

The cafeteria is located at 101 Elder Street, Boaz, AL 35957.

At Snead State Community College, we believe in the Complete College Experience. The best way to make the most of your college experience is to get involved!

From college athletics to clubs and organizations, students have many opportunities to find their place and contribute to the college community. Some of the club sponsored events on campus include dances, S Day, Welcome Week, Club Rush, and Homecoming.

Snead State is an advocate for service learning. Several Snead State organizations have engaged in many disaster relief drives and supported many community activities and organizations such as the American Red Cross, Children’s Hospital, the Ronald McDonald House, the Marshall County Christmas Coalition, LifeSouth, and the American Cancer Society Relay for Life.

Students are required to have a valid Student ID badge when they enroll at Snead State. The ID badges may be used to gain free admission to athletic events, fine arts events, and any other student activity sponsored by Snead State.

Some local businesses also provide discounts to students when they present the photo ID as proof of enrollment.

Parking permits are also required for students attending on-campus classes.

Student IDs and parking permits may be obtained at the McCain Student Success Center, located at 102 Elder Street on the Boaz campus.
Athletics
256.593.5120 | athletics@snead.edu

Snead State has a tradition of athletic excellence. The Parsons compete in Division I of the Alabama Community College Conference and the National Junior College Athletic Association. Several athletes have continued play at university and professional levels.

Snead State coaches are not only the top in their sports, but they also take pride in the academic success of their athletes. Special tutoring and study halls are available for all athletes to ensure excellence in academics and athletics.

Athletic facilities include the Plunkett-Wallace Gymnasium, the tennis courts, the Emmett Plunkett Baseball Field, and the new Lady Parsons Softball Field, constructed and opened in 2011.

Snead State offers the following athletic programs:
- Men's and Women's Basketball
- Women's Volleyball
- Women's Tennis
- Men's Baseball
- Women's Softball
- Women's Dance Team
- Co-ed Cheerleading Squad
Scholarships are available for these programs.

Snead State students receive free admission to all athletic games with their valid student IDs.

For the latest Snead State athletic schedules, visit www.snead.edu. For more information on athletic programs, contact Mark Richard, athletic director, at mrichard@snead.edu, or one of the coaches:
- Men's Basketball Head Coach Jeremiah Patterson - japatterson@snead.edu
- Women's Basketball Head Coach Destinie Smith - dsmith@snead.edu
- Women's Volleyball Head Coach Angie Sanders - asanders@snead.edu
- Women's Tennis Head Coach Matt Holaday - mattndana@nehp.net
- Men's Baseball Head Coach Gerry Ledbetter - gledbetter@snead.edu
- Women's Softball Head Coach Tracy Grindrod - tracy.grindrod@snead.edu
- Dance Team Coach Hannah Blackmon - hmbo42892@gmail.com
- Cheer Coach Adam Rhoden - arhoden@snead.edu
- Men's and Women's Golf Coach Chuck Kalanick - ckalanick@snead.edu

Clubs and Organizations
256.840.4208 | bgoble@snead.edu

Snead State offers the following clubs and organizations for students to become involved:
- Ambassadors
- Art Guild
- College Bowl
- Collegiate Music Educators National Conference
- Digital Media Club
- Environmental Sciences Club
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- History@Snead
- Pan Latino Club
- Parson Pit
- Phi Beta Lambda
- Phi Theta Kappa
- Sigma Kappa Delta
- Snead State Campus Ministry
- Snead State Community College Fishing Team
- Snead Veteran Organization and Community (SVOC)
- Student Government Association
- Student Nurses Association

Social Media
256.840.4207 | mcollier@snead.edu

Snead State Community College has a number of social media outlets that help students stay up-to-date with campus activities, deadlines, information, and pictures from events. In addition to our website, www. snead.edu, students are able to keep up with the College through Facebook, Twitter, and the College’s blog, The Snead State Experience.

Visit the sites at:
- facebook.com/sneadstatecc
- twitter.com/sneadstatecc
- instagram.com/sneadstatecc
- Snapchat: sneadstatecc
- YouTube: sneadstatecc