



Number of 2010-11 Graduates
1,063
Fall 2010 Enrollment
6,967

On the cover: Jazmin Gilmore-Weaver, a sophomore elementary education major, tries out one of the college's new iPad stations in the R. Jack Fishman Library.

Walters State Community College Vision

Walters State will be a premier community college, committed to increasing educational attainment and workforce preparedness through excellence in teaching and service.

Walters State Community College Mission 2010-2015

Walters State is a learning-centered, comprehensive, public community college dedicated to increasing educational attainment and supporting economic development by providing affordable, high quality educational opportunities for the residents of East Tennessee.

To accomplish the mission, the college:

- offers programs of study that lead to the Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Associate of Science in Teaching, and Associate of Applied Science degrees or certificates in programs of study of one year or less
- delivers public service and non-credit programs in support of workforce development and personal enrichment
- employs highly qualified faculty and staff
- fosters and inspires student engagement and success
- provides convenient access through multiple campuses and advanced technology
- partners with other educational institutions to promote access and facilitate articulation and transfer
- pursues external sources of support and entrepreneurial initiatives
- assesses and responds to community needs
- provides opportunities for promoting diversity and cultural awareness to enhance quality of life
- pursues resourcefulness, effectiveness and efficiency through comprehensive accountability and continuous improvement programs.

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Walters State Community College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097; telephone number 404-679-4501) to award Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Associate of Science in Teaching and Associate of Applied Science degrees. SACS should be contacted regarding only questions about the accreditation status of the institution, to file a third-party comment at the time of the institution's decennial review, or to file a complaint against the institution for alleged non-compliance with a standard or requirement. Normal inquiries about Walters State such as admission requirements, financial aid, educational programs, etc., should be addressed directly to the institution and not to SACS.

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Summary of Student Financial Aid Awards 2010 - 2011

	FY 10-11		FY 09-10		Year Comparison +/-	
	# Awards	Award Amounts	# Awards	Award Amounts	# Awards	Award Amounts
Federal Programs						
Federal Work Study (FWS)	127	175,751	117	160,626	10	15,125
Stafford Loans (FFELW)	1,409	3,062,478	1,424	3,145,775	-15	-83,297
Pell Grant	4,042	13,462,028	3,524	12,153,132	518	1,308,896
ACG	18	17,488	83	66,852	-65	-49,364
Student Educational Opp. Grant (FSEOG)	134	89,000	163	128,500	-29	-39,500
Trade Readjustment Act (TRA/TAA)	92	342,541	54	150,335	38	192,206
Workforce Investment Act (WIA)	154	338,531	201	423,745	-47	-85,214
Robert Byrd Scholarship	3	3,000	6	8,250	-3	-5,250
Gear Up	68	40,125	38	28,500	30	11,625
Federal Total	6,047	17,530,942	5,610	16,265,715	437	1,265,227
State Programs						
Access and Diversity Grants	158	298,292	95	210,254	63	88,038
Dual Enrollment	961	398,201	898	364,232	63	33,969
Department of Children's Services	13	26,182	16	33,136	-3	-6,954
Helping Heroes Grant	4	4,500	2	3,000	2	1,500
Ned McWherter Scholars Program	1	3,000	1	3,000	0	0
TN Students Assistance Grant (TSAA)	771	729,777	505	677,106	266	52,671
TN Educational Lottery Scholarship (TELS)	1,422	2,989,283	1,333	2,739,999	89	249,284
Vocational Rehabilitation	127	271,684	180	418,672	-53	-146,988
Waivers	778	447,567	726	405,526	52	42,041
Out of State Waivers*	28	250,098	31	238,335	-3	11,763
State Total	4,263	5,418,584	3,787	5,093,260	476	325,324
Institutional Programs						
Performance Scholarships						
Athletic Scholarships	70	77,295	75	77,309	-5	-14
Other (Theatre, Choir, Pro. Entertainment)*	30	9,952	69	23,314	-39	-13,362
Academic Performance (APS)	245	631,078	272	781,767	-27	-150,689
Access and Diversity Grants	18	43,105	27	76,982	-9	-33,877
Other Institutional Grants (SGA, Gallery, Cheerleading)	17	18,400	24	23,130	-7	-4,730
Institutional Total	380	779,830	467	982,502	-87	-202,672
Foundation Programs						
Foundation Scholarships	140	270,823	163	331,369	-23	-60,546
Partners in Progress	62	38,618	62	49,995	0	-11,377
Jefferson County Community Sch. (New)	12	9,842	0	0	12	9,842
Awards	39	6,500	38	9,800	1	-3,300
Foundation Total	253	325,783	263	391,164	-10	-65,381
Private Programs						
Agency Scholarships	242	236,068	234	257,567	8	-21,499
Edscholar	3	9,000	3	7,500	0	1,500
Restricted	26	22,255	65	58,372	-39	-36,117
Private Total	271	267,323	302	323,439	-31	-56,116
Total Awards	11,214	24,322,462	10,429	23,056,080	785	1,266,382
Unduplicated Fin Aid Student Count	10-11	5,949	09-10	5729	Change 220	
* Reclassified line item						

President's Message



It is with a great sense of accomplishment that I present the college's 2010-11 annual report. It includes Walters State's major developments, events, and fiscal reports over the last year.

This report also includes a section listing trustees of the Walters State Community College Foundation. From endowing scholarships to enhancing facilities, the support of the individuals who serve on this foundation positively impacts nearly everything we do. On behalf of Walters State's students, faculty and staff, I am tremendously grateful to the trustees of the Walters State foundation for their commitment and dedication to this college and our community.

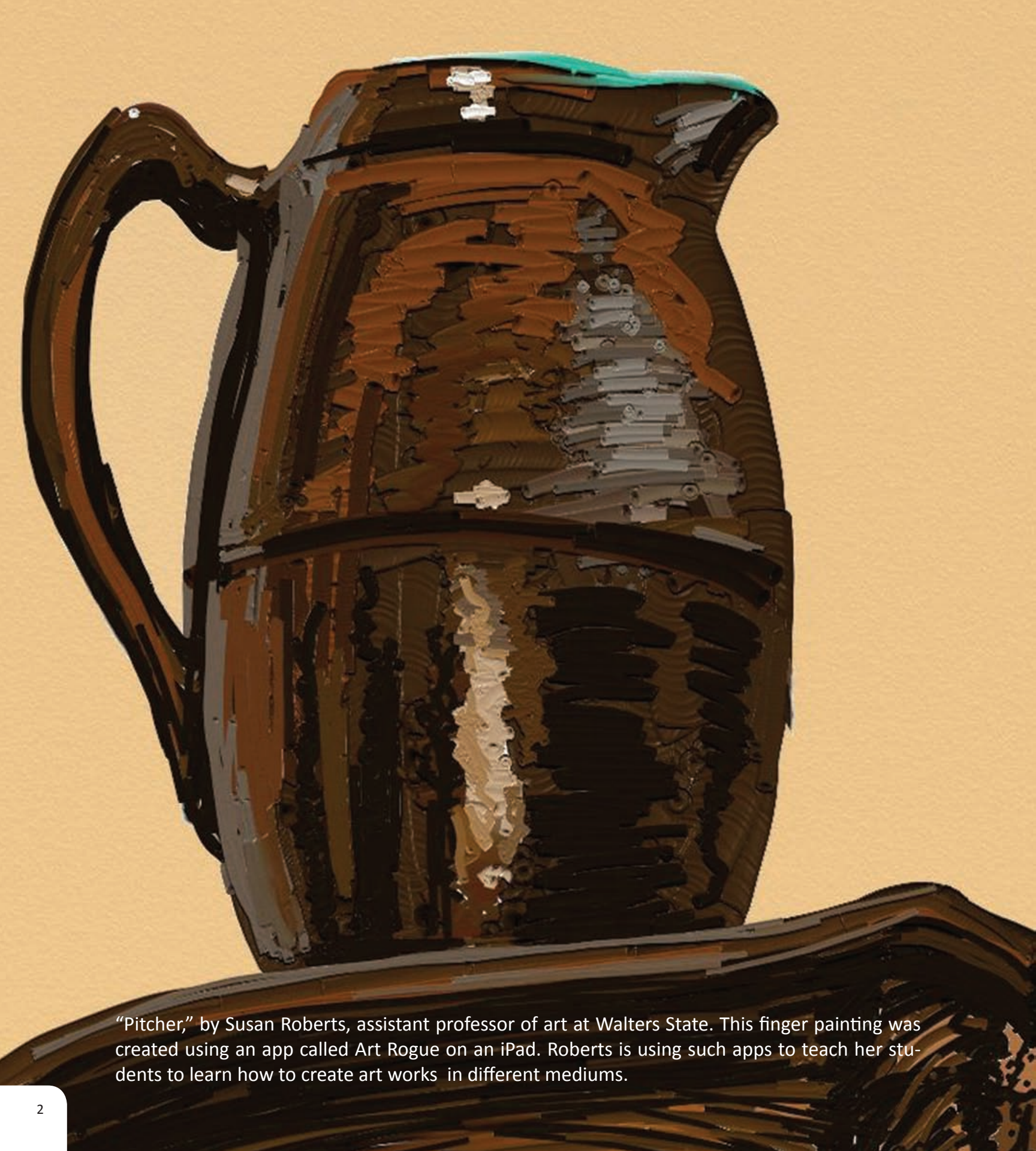
During the economic downturn, enrollment has soared to record levels at Walters State as individuals seek to improve their job skills or change career paths. Innovative initiatives implemented this past year such as our mobilization plan and the clean energy technology program demonstrate how Walters State is preparing students to succeed in a workforce that is increasingly becoming more technical and specialized.

Walters State is at the forefront nationally in the use of technology to deliver educational instruction and services. We have been named among the top-ten most tech-savvy community colleges in the country five years in a row. And this past year, we developed a mobilization initiative that focuses on engaging our students via mobile devices such as iPads and smartphones.

Walters State is also leading the way in creating new programs that train our students to apply the latest emerging technologies in our rapidly changing economic environment. For example, we became the first community college in the state of Tennessee to offer a degree program in clean energy technology.

Our mobilization plan and clean energy technology program are just two of the many achievements that you will read about in this report. Again, I want to thank the college's foundation trustees for their support and personally express my gratitude to all of the college's employees who work tirelessly to fulfill our mission to increase educational attainment in our region.

Dr. Wade B. McCamey
President



“Pitcher,” by Susan Roberts, assistant professor of art at Walters State. This finger painting was created using an app called Art Rogue on an iPad. Roberts is using such apps to teach her students to learn how to create art works in different mediums.

Walters State Community College Financial Statements

Financial Summary for Fiscal Year 2010-2011

Operating Revenues

Student tuition and fees (net of scholarship allowances)	\$9,986,441.60
Governmental grants and contracts	5,465,630.90
Non-governmental grants and contracts	9,588.00
Sales and services of educational departments	144,542.20
Auxiliary enterprises	323,503.12
Other operating revenues	530,028.44
Total	16,459,734.26

Non-operating Revenues

State appropriations	19,772,711.00
Gifts	119,318.65
Grants and contracts	18,446,865.54
Investment income	32,604.07
Capital appropriations	3,337,326.39
Capital grants and gifts	1,159,528.27
Other non-operating	92.01
Total	42,868,445.93

TOTAL REVENUES

59,328,180.19

Operating Expenses by Function

Instruction	21,865,329.69
Public service	5,071,657.08
Academic support	2,267,528.32
Student services	4,813,111.39
Institutional support	4,347,612.07
Operation and maintenance	5,883,629.68
Scholarships and fellowships	8,465,168.15
Auxiliary	24,481.27
Depreciation	3,912,969.37
Total	56,651,487.02

Non-operating Expenses

Interest on capital asset-related debt	36,401.67
Total	36,401.67

TOTAL EXPENSES

56,687,888.69

Walters State Community College Foundation

Unaudited Statement of Net Assets
June 30, 2011

	<u>FY 2011</u>
ASSETS	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$2,039,062.92
Accounts, notes, and grants receivable (net)	7,281.67
Pledges receivable (net)	65,223.04
Prepaid expenses	12,868.93
Accrued interest receivable	3.24
Total current assets	<u>2,124,439.80</u>
Noncurrent assets:	
Investments	10,135,648.50
Pledges receivable (net)	120,631.50
Capital assets (net)	<u>1,696,500.00</u>
Total noncurrent assets	<u>11,952,780.00</u>
Total assets	<u>\$14,077,219.80</u>
LIABILITIES	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	37,438.17
Long-term liabilities, current portion	<u>60,000.00</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>97,438.17</u>
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Long-term liabilities	<u>1,625,000.00</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>1,625,000.00</u>
Total liabilities	<u>\$1,722,438.17</u>
NET ASSETS	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	11,500.00
Restricted for:	
Nonexpendable:	
Scholarships and fellowships	6,065,729.29
Other	2,910,251.95
Expendable:	
Scholarships and fellowships	1,074,057.72
Other	1,964,158.85
Unrestricted	329,083.82
Total net assets	<u>\$12,354,781.63</u>

Engaging Students Via Smartphones, iPads

A majority of Walters State's 2011 freshman class were born in 1993. They have grown up in the age of the Internet and the proliferation of mobile devices such as cell phones and laptops. They expect communication and information to be accessible anytime, anywhere.

And they expect their educational experience to be no different.

Recognizing the significance of communication and mobile devices in the lives of our students, Walters State became one of the first community colleges in the country to implement a mobilization plan to engage students from admission through graduation.

Apps are an extremely dynamic method for presenting academic content and, therefore, not only enhance the learning experience for our students but increase their chances of completing their degree.

All academic divisions at the college have developed a plan to integrate electronic

tablets such as iPads and apps into classroom instruction. For example, our Natural Science department uses apps as learning tools in subjects from anatomy and physiology to microbiology. Students access the apps through their own personal devices or through iPads that are made available to them during class.

Walters State has also partnered with the Mideast TN Regional P-16 Council to provide community education opportunities for area students and their families to learn how mobile devices can be used as educational tools. And this past summer, the college, along with Mideast TN Regional P-16, TBR eLearning, and Apple sponsored a Mobilization Summit at the college's Sevier and Morristown campuses. The summit was designed to inform educators teaching pre-kindergarten through college about how mobile devices can be used as a tool to enhance instruction.

(From left) Dr. Robbie Melton, associate vice chancellor of eLearning, Tennessee Board of Regents, recognized Walters State and Hamblen County educators for their leadership in eLearning, including Dr. Wade McCamey, president of Walters State; Dr. Dale Lynch, director of Hamblen County Schools; and Dr. Lori Campbell, vice president for Academic Affairs at Walters State. Also pictured are John Morgan, TBR Chancellor; and Dr. Paula Myrick Short, vice chancellor of Academic Affairs, TBR.



Solar panels and a wind turbine were installed at the Morristown campus. They are not only a learning lab for the college's clean energy technology students but also produce electricity that is sold to TVA.



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Keeping Pace with Emerging Technologies, New Economy

Walters State became one of the few community colleges in the nation to offer certificate and degree programs in clean energy technology this year. The college unveiled an associate of applied science degree in clean energy technology along with four technical certificates: clean energy building technology; clean energy core technology; clean energy electricity technology and clean energy transportation technology.

"These new programs not only demonstrate Walters State's commitment to developing new programs to meet area workforce needs but also support our overall efforts related to sustainability," said Dr. Wade McCamey, president of Walters State in announcing the new programs.

The degree was developed in close collaboration with the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development, area power manufacturers, entrepreneurs, business owners and community members.

"These programs enable us to offer training that will be needed in the future as the country

switches to renewable sources of energy," said Thomas Sewell, dean of Technical Education. The program will train students in theory and technology, including practical skills like the installation and maintenance of solar panels, wind turbines and geothermal systems.

The solar panels shown in the picture at the left do more than just serve as valuable teaching tools. The power generated is sold to the Tennessee Valley Authority. While the amount generated by the sale is minimal at this point, the college has taken a big step to make sure its facilities – and students – are ready for clean energy.

The college also provided community outreach programs in clean energy. Walters State's Center for Workforce Education and the Smoky Mountains Area WIA hosted the 2011 Green Energy Summit in March, attended by over 100 people at the Gatlinburg Convention Center. The event featured national and regional experts on renewable energy and its connection to economic development.



Will Prewitt, with scissors, cuts the ribbon to officially open the new Walters State Claiborne County Campus. Prewitt is a business major from Tazewell. Assisting with the ribbon are, from left, Roger Ball, vice chair of the Claiborne County Industrial Board, Kimberly Wilder, director of the campus, Eleanor Yoakum, president of the Walters State Foundation; Dr. Wade McCamey, president of Walters State Community College; and Steve Lewis, chair of the Claiborne County Industrial Development Board. The campus opened to students at the beginning of the fall 2010 semester.

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Community Support Leads to Enhanced Claiborne County Campus

Walters State celebrated the opening of its new Claiborne County Campus in Tazewell in fall, 2010. The relocation to the remodeled former high school gave much needed room to one of the college's fastest growing campuses. The move was made possible by a partnership between the Walters State Foundation and the Claiborne County Industrial Board.

"Your commitment to making this belief a reality through this new facility we are celebrating today means more opportunities for businesses, industries and healthcare organizations to work with the college to develop programs and services that meet the specific needs of this area.

"It means greater access to an affordable, high-quality education. It means more opportunities for students from Claiborne as well as Union, Hancock and parts of Grainger counties to pursue educational goals without traveling far from home. Working together, you made this happen for them. And for that, Walters State is grateful," said Dr. Wade McCamey before a ceremonial ribbon cutting.

The college remodeled 10,000 square feet, including seven classrooms with SMART technology and one classroom equipped to videostream live course lectures to and from Walters State's other campuses in Morristown, Greeneville and Sevierville. The building also features new biology and chemistry labs.

The new facility was made possible with the Claiborne County Industrial Board's decision to purchase the site in 2008 and lease it to Walters State through the Walters State Foundation.

"The board has funded major infrastructure improvements to the building. The board applied for and received a half-million dollar grant from the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development to help pay for renovation costs. On behalf of Walters State and the Walters State Foundation, I want to say thank you to the Claiborne County Industrial Board for their leadership, vision, guidance and efforts," McCamey said.

The Student Services Building located on the Morristown Campus opened to students in January 2011. The building serves as a one-stop location for the college's student affairs services. It features a 224-seat general assembly, café, game room and student lounges.



Sevier County Governments Recognized for Support of Higher Education

The Tennessee Board of Regents honored four governmental entities for their support of Walters State's Sevier County Campus this year. Chancellor John Morgan presented the Regents Award for Philanthropy to the Sevier County Commission, the Sevierville Board of Mayor and Aldermen, the Gatlinburg Board of Commissioners and the Pigeon Forge Board of Mayor and Aldermen. The governmental bodies provided both funding and leadership in the development of the campus, where enrollment has tripled since 2000. From left are Morgan; Gatlinburg City Commissioner Jerry Hayes; Pigeon Forge Alderman David Wear; Sevierville Vice Mayor Dale Carr; Sevier County Mayor Larry Waters; TBR Regent Danni Varlan and Dr. Wade McCamey, Walters State president.



Alumni Honored for Distinguished Careers

Walters State honored two alumni with the Walters State Distinguished Alumni Award, the highest honor bestowed on former students. From left are Dr. Wade McCamey, president of Walters State; Victoria Elsbernd, a member of the class of 1974 now serving as deputy director of the heliophysics division of the Science Mission Directorate at NASA; Dr. Chris Baker, a member of the class of 1985 and a professor of sociology at Walters State; and Wanda Harrell, coordinator for Alumni Affairs and special events at the college.

From Enrollment to Graduation, New Building Designed to Help Students Succeed

Walters State made the path from enrollment to graduation a smoother one this year with the opening of the Student Services Building on the Morristown campus. The new building houses student services like admissions and financial aid, along with a student game room, a café and an auditorium.

“This is a great day for Walters State and a great day for the state of Tennessee,” said John Morgan, chancellor of the Tennessee Board of Regents, who was on hand to assist college officials and students in cutting the ribbon.

“The kind of planning that went into this building will make a difference for everyone at Walters State. This will benefit the citizens of Tennessee for generations to come,” Morgan added.

“As we celebrate today the college’s new Student Services Building, we are also affirming Walters State’s goal of providing exemplary facilities that create a learning environment in which our students can thrive and that complement the college’s high quality academic programs and student services,” said Dr. Wade McCamey, president of the college.

The building was designed as a one-stop shop for student services. The enrollment process is streamlined by having all the

needed offices – from admissions to financial aid – within a few steps of each other. Once enrolled, students find easy access to the services needed to keep them on track to graduate, including a new, large tutoring lounge. An updated gameroom provides students with a place to relax and have some fun in between courses.

The building’s 224-seat International Lyceum will host Global Connections events, providing opportunities for students and community members to broaden their understanding of different cultures.

“This building is not only aesthetically pleasing but is energy efficient and environmentally safe. It was designed and constructed with a focus on preserving Tennessee’s natural resources and protecting the health and well-being of our students, employees and visitors,” McCamey said. The building meets the sustainability guidelines approved by the Tennessee State Building Commission as well as other recognized energy efficient design organizations such as LEED, Green Globe and Energy Star.

The building completes Phase II of the college’s campus development master plan, which included the R. Jack Fishman Library and the McGuffin-Jolley Natural Science Building.

Greeneville/Greene County Enhancement Project



In December 2010, Walters State learned that it had been awarded \$9 million in capital improvement grant funds toward a \$20 million proposal to enhance the college's Greeneville/Greene County Campus. The funds were set aside by the state for capital improvement projects at Tennessee's community colleges. The grants were structured to encourage local community support by requiring a 15 percent match. Thanks to the generosity and leadership of Greeneville businessman and philanthropist Scott Niswonger, Walters State met the local match. A new 84,000 square-foot building has been designed to match the historical architecture of downtown Greeneville and the heritage of

higher education in this region. Designed by local architect John Fisher, the building will feature state-of-the-art natural science and health labs; residential police and fire academies; a 234-seat auditorium; and general classrooms and student support areas. It will also include outdoor spaces such as a pedestrian plaza. The following programs will be added or expanded at the Greeneville/Greene County Campus as a result of the new space: occupational therapist assistant; physical therapist assistant; pre-allied health embedded certificate; fire science; regional law enforcement academy; and art.

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Wilma Maples Mountain Rose Dining Room Honors Donor

Walters State honored the many contributions of one of its most generous benefactors by naming the dining room at the Sevier County Campus after local businesswoman Wilma Maples. The Wilma Maples Mountain Rose Dining Room is located in the Conner-Short Center. "Mountain Rose" refers to the roses Maples grows at the Gatlinburg Inn, which she owns and manages. She originally planted the flowers in memory of her late husband, Rel Maples. Maples has been a leader and major donor in the development of the Sevier County Campus.

Walters State Leads Tennessee in Performance Funding

Walters State achieved 95 points in performance funding for 2009-10. Over the last five-year funding cycle, the college averaged 94 points per year, the highest of all 13 Tennessee community colleges. To earn high scores, colleges must exceed prior year results and/or the state average in ten rigorous standards including accreditation, external fund raising, academic performance, student retention and customer satisfaction.

WSCC Continues Role as National Leader in Classroom Technology

The Center for Digital Education and "Converge Online" rated Walters State as a Grade A college in the use of technology. Only 14 community colleges in the nation received this honor. The ratings are based on how technology enhances student experience and increases educator effectiveness. Walters State has been ranked near the top of the list since it debuted in 2004.

Golfer Named First Team All American

Freshman Anthony Damico earned first team All-American Honors from the NJCAA for an outstanding season. Damico's great season was topped by an impressive run in the NJCAA National Tournament. He finished 2-over-par, putting him in ninth place overall. Damico's efforts throughout the season helped the Senators finish in the top ten nationally last year.



WSCC Students Named to USA Today All Tennessee Academic Team

Daniel Moore, a psychology major, and Jessica Walker, a pre-medicine major, were named to the Phi Theta Kappa USA Today All Tennessee Academic Team this spring. Walker was also one of only 50 students nationwide to be named a Coca-Cola silver scholar, one of the highest recognitions for community college students. Both students have received scholarship offers in connection with this acknowledgement and both do plan to continue their education by transferring to a four-year college or university in the fall.

College Express for Allied Health Now Enrolling

The success of College Express for Health majors has led to the program's expansion. Now called College Express for Allied Health, the program serves both students in the division of Health Programs and the Division of Public Safety. General education courses are similar for most health-related majors, including nursing, physical therapist assistant, respiratory care, paramedic, medical technician and criminal justice. The convenient one-night-a-week accelerated program will make it easy for paramedics and law enforcement officers already holding technical certificates to complete their associate of applied science degrees.

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Mildred Haun Conference Draws Scholars, Writers

Scholars and fans of Appalachian literature made the inaugural “Mildred Haun Conference: A Celebration of Appalachian Literature, Culture and Scholarship” a success. The conference opened with two New York Times bestselling authors, Amy Greene and Silas House. Scholarly presentations touched on all areas of Appalachia and included one by a Walters State student and several by members of the faculty. A full house crowded the theatre of the Judge William H. Inman Humanities Complex to see a revival of “Walk Toward the Sunset.” The play tells the story of the Melungeon people and was last produced 30 years ago. The interdisciplinary conference marked the 100th birthday of Hamblen County native Mildred Haun. Her book, “The Hawk’s Done Gone,” is considered a cornerstone of Appalachian literature.



Global Connections, International Festival Enhance Cultural Awareness

Global Connections, the student-initiated movement to prepare Walters State students to succeed in the global marketplace, expanded this year with a new name and several new events. Also, Global Connections provided scholarships to travel abroad and sponsored two trips to Washington, D.C. Over 2,000 individuals attended the college’s International Festival in October. The event was highlighted by presentations on Global Competence and Food and Politics.

Expo Center Hosts 59 Events in 2010-11

Tens of thousands of people attended one or more of the 59 events held at the college’s Great Smoky Mountains Expo Center in 2010-11. The center serves as a venue for agribusiness, educational and commercial activities and events. Horse shows, motocross races, job fairs, and high school and college graduations were just a few of the events held last year. The center includes a 98,000 square-foot pavilion and features the Ray and Barbara Bible Equestrian Center.

Faculty Member Accepted into Exclusive Naval Postgraduate Institute

Dr. Eric Powell, director of the college’s paramedic program, is one of only two educators ever to be accepted by the prestigious Naval Post Graduate School Center for the Homeland Security Graduate Program in Monterey, Calif. While participating in the two-year program, Powell will research the best way to train first providers in dealing with both man-made and natural disasters. The knowledge he has gained during his first year has already been shared with his colleagues and East Tennessee public safety officials. The division of Public Safety also held its first homeland security training involving all sectors of the discipline: law enforcement, fire safety and emergency medicine.

Community Education Meets Job Training, Personal Enrichment Needs of Area

Walters State’s division of Community Education served over 5,600 individuals this year. The opportunities provided by the non-credit arm of the college expanded based on the needs of the ten counties served.

Kids College was launched in 2010 in response to feedback from middle school students enrolled in the college’s popular Talented and Gifted Program. Kids College serves two age groups, late elementary and middle school. Students choose three or four classes to study that week. The most popular classes are art, criminal justice and physics.

For adults, Community Education’s focus remained on job training. The division’s flexible and inexpensive options enable many workers to transition into a new field quickly. New programs were offered to prepare students for careers as dialysis technicians and veterinarian technicians. Popular classes also prepared students to work as a certified nursing assistant, a phlebotomist or a security guard.

The division also continued to play a leading role in Walters State’s partnership with the Greeneville/Greene County Center for Technology. Here, students of all ages train for in-demand jobs in fields like welding and CNC programming. While some need the training to get a job, others are returning to gain skills for job advancement.

Business leaders have also turned to the division for help in developing better communication skills and upgrading the computer and accounting skills of their employees. The division’s S*T*A*R leadership series attracts people from all management levels. Courses in safety and quality are also offered in conjunction with state and federal regulatory agencies, including the Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Classes were expanded to the Claiborne County Campus, making community education programs available at all four campuses.

A student in the college’s Talented and Gifted Program prepares to launch a rocket. TAG, which is offered through the Community Education Division, is one of several personal and educational enrichment programs at Walters State.





Linkous, Walker Named 2011 WSCC Outstanding Students

The President's Outstanding Student Award, the college's highest honor, was given to two students. Erik R. Linkous, a chemistry major from Morristown, and Jessica Walker, a pre-medicine major from Cosby, shared this prestigious honor. Linkous was also honored with the physics award and was co-recipient of the chemistry award. He was nominated for the English award. Walker was also co-recipient of the chemistry award and served as president of the Science Club. She was also named to the All American "USA Today" Academic Team. Pictured with Wilder and Linkous are Dr. Wade McCamey, Walters State president and Dr. Lori Campbell, vice president for Academic Affairs.

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Greene County Employer Recognized by WIA, State

Minco, Inc. of Midway received the Jim Alford Memorial Award for Outstanding Incumbent Worker Training from the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development. The company was nominated by the staff of Walters State's Center for Workforce Development, which facilitates incumbent worker training grants for this area. Minco, Inc. used the \$25,000 grant for lean manufacturing training and to improve the skill level of welders. Since receiving the grant, the company has increased sales and expanded the number of workers from 98 to 125. At right, Iliff McMahan, a member of the Tennessee Workforce Development Board of Directors, presents the award to Mike McCullough of Minco, Inc. while Walters State representatives look on.



Support Staff Council Raises Employee Book Reimbursement Funds

This year was a very busy one for the Walters State Support Staff Council. After being dormant for several years, the council became active again and provides valuable counsel for college leadership. The council organized a professional development day for all support staff members, held several successful fundraising events and awarded book reimbursements to three support staff employees continuing their education. Shown at left are recipients Terry Watterson, Lora Duvall and Marae Wrightman McKemy. Wanda J. Musick, right, served as president of the Support Council during the last year.



Four Honored with Distinguished Faculty Awards

Four outstanding faculty members received Distinguished Faculty awards for 2010-11. The four represent a range of academic disciplines and each has added her unique talents to Walters State. From left are Dr. Wade McCamey, president; Dr. Kay Moneyhun, professor and coordinator of mathematics; Kim Bolton, associate professor and head of the biology department; Robin Ringer, associate professor of speech and Viki Rouse, associate professor of English. At right is Dr. Lori Campbell, vice president for Academic Affairs.

