

DENMARK
TECHNICAL COLLEGE

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION GUIDE

2023-2024



WELCOME PANTHERS!

CONGRATULATIONS! We are elated that you have selected Denmark Technical College as the next step in your educational journey. The Division of Student Affairs is standing by to help students in their transition to college. Through a collaborative, empowering, and comprehensive institutional effort, students and parents are able to holistically address academic, financial, and social needs while preparing for enrollment. Your orientation module access information will be sent to your student email account. Course registration for your class schedule will be completed as a part of the New Student Orientation. We are so excited to help you through each step of your journey here at DTC!



A Message from the President

Greetings Scholars,

It is my distinct pleasure to welcome you to the home of the Denmark Technical College Panthers.

We have dedicated administrators, faculty, and staff who will work diligently to support you as we “Engage, Educate, and Empower” you to become your highest and truest self. We will challenge you to expand your horizons by engaging in various activities and organizations while remaining laser-focused on your ultimate goal – graduation.

Denmark Technical College provides its students with the knowledge and skills necessary to transform not only their lives but also the lives of those they care about. Our goal is to increase your potential through individualized identity formation and help actualize your desired careers. We are confident that you will achieve your goals through our Panther Pathways model of Guided Pathways, Career Pathways, and Perpetual Pathways.

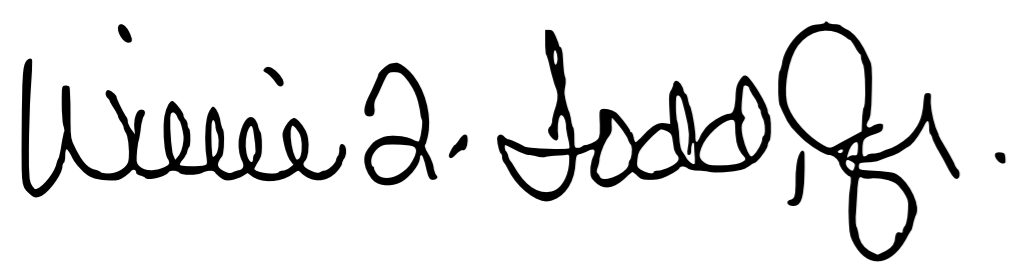
Whether you are here for one of our dynamic technical programs or one of our stellar associate degree programs that can lead directly to a career or transferring to a four-year college, we at Denmark Tech will work to make this a life-changing journey for you.

We are excited that you have taken the next step toward securing your future. Today is the beginning of a remarkable journey. You are the author of your own story. Be sure that the script is filled with success, joy, and achievement.

Again, welcome to your new extended family and your new home. We are glad that you are here!

If ever I can be of assistance, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Forging onward,



Willie L. Todd, Jr., Ph.D.
President and CEO

WELCOME HOME TO DENMARK TECH.



A BRIEF HISTORY OF DENMARK TECHNICAL COLLEGE

The General Assembly of the State of South Carolina authorized the establishment of Denmark Technical College in 1947 and the College began operation on March 1, 1948, as the Denmark Branch of the South Carolina Trade School System. At its inception, the institution functioned under the authority of the South Carolina Department of Education was mandated to educate black citizens in various trades. In 1969, the control of Denmark Area Trade School (Denmark Technical College) was transferred to the South Carolina Advisory Committee for Technical Training which acted under the supervision of the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education.

During the same year, the name of the College was changed to Denmark Technical Education Center. In 1979, the institution was accredited by the Southern Association of College and Schools and assumed its present designation as Denmark Technical College. Since 1948, the College has experienced significant growth and now takes pride in the fact it has become a comprehensive two-year college which offers a broad range of programs and services.

The College is located in Denmark, South Carolina, a small city of approximately 5,000 citizens. The campus stands on 53 beautifully landscaped acres of land conveniently located about 50 miles south of Columbia, 85 miles northeast of Charleston, 50 miles east of August, Georgia. The College's primary area is comprised of Bamberg, Barnwell, and Allendale Counties with a legislated mandate to serve students throughout the state. As an open-door institution, the College provides affordable, post-secondary education culminating in associates degrees, diplomas, or certificates, to citizens from diverse educational and socioeconomic backgrounds.



FORGING ONWARD



CAREER AND STUDENT SUCCESS

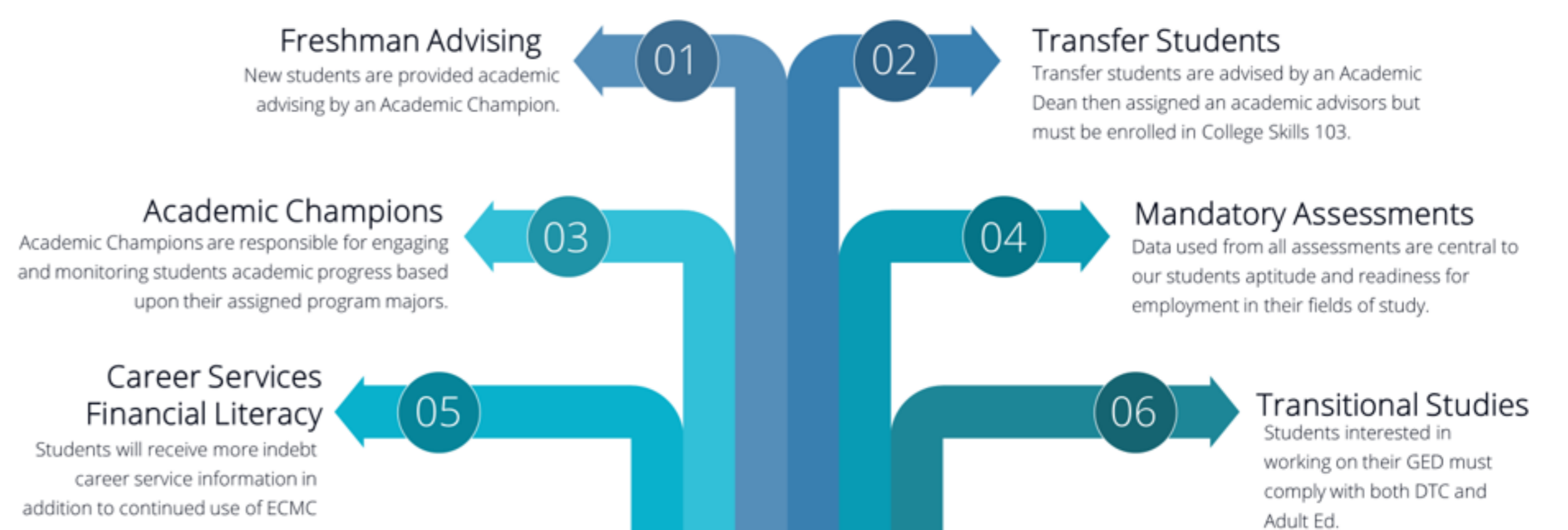
The Department of Career and Student Success provides guidance, structure and academic support to first-year students through highly organized and interconnected resources while promoting personal, career and academic growth opportunities. The department incorporates impactful resources, services and programs, centered around engaging, empowering, and educating students within their first year.

Ms. Leslie Holman-Brooks, Executive Director of Career and Student Success, is located in Smith Hall and supports Denmark Technical College's mission of transforming lives and communities. Our team of academic champions is in place to empower and support a culturally diverse student population. With our focus on freshmen, we help DTC students build a foundation of knowledge and skills that helps them plan and pursue academic and career success.

SERVICES AND SUPPORT

- Brainstorming
- Connecting to support services
- Goal Setting
- Motivation and Encouragement
- Note Taking
- Online Learning Strategy
- Organization
- Strength assessment
- Study Skills
- Test Taking
- Time Management
- Understanding and Breakdown of Assignments

PANTHER PATHWAYS AT A GLANCE



ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES

Denmark Technical College is committed to complying with the law as designated in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) 1990 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Denmark Technical College is devoted to providing information on the college website in an accessible format and efforts are being made to assure equal accessibility to people with disabilities. If you have difficulty accessing any information presented on the website, please contact Ms. Holman-Brooks, disability services representative, at (803) 793-5287 or by email at holman-brooksl@denmarktech.edu.

It is the student's responsibility to self-disclose as a student with a disability and to request accommodations through Disability Services. A student's initial request for accommodations should preferably occur before a program or course begins but can be requested at any time. Accommodations are not retroactive.

Applying for Support Services and Accommodations

The request for accommodations is a collaborative process that occurs between the student and the staff of Disability Services. There are three steps to the process:

- Student must submit both the Disability Services Intake Form and documentation of disability to holman-brooksl@denmarktech.edu
- The disability service representative will review the submitted information and contact the student to request additional documentation if needed or to schedule a disability services initial interview.
- The student will then complete a disability services initial interview with a staff member. The interview is an opportunity for the student and staff to discuss the student's history, barriers, how those barriers impact the school and potential accommodations to eliminate those barriers.
- The staff will either approve or deny accommodations.
- If approved, staff will review specific accommodations, explain policies and procedures, discuss the student's and college's rights and responsibilities and review the faculty notification process.
- If a student would like to appeal the decision made by the staff of Disability Services, the student may do so by speaking with the disability services representative.



RESIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Congratulations! You have chosen to live and become a community member in the residential halls at Denmark Technical College. You are about to embark on the most exciting and challenging experiences of your lifetime. You have a tremendous opportunity to learn more about yourself, other cultures, and the world around you while living on campus. By living on campus, you have the convenience of living near classrooms and the opportunity to participate in student activities and campus programs. So come and experience the differences as you begin your path to academic excellence!



RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITIES

DTC provides student housing for full-time matriculating students. There are three residential communities with various amenities designed to create a unique Panther Residential Experience. Students are required to apply for housing each year they desire to live on campus.

Applications are available during the spring semester for the following academic year. To be eligible for on-campus housing, students must submit the online housing application and pay a non-refundable \$75 application fee. Students must also submit a signed housing contract for the respective academic year and agree to abide by the terms listed in the guide to community living and DTC code of conduct.

Current students must participate in the room reservation process held each spring for the following academic school year. Students who desire to room together must apply for housing and pay the non-refundable housing deposit by the deadline date and request each other as roommates. Student Affairs will make every effort to place students who request each other together who meet the requirements. However, we cannot guarantee it.



RESIDENTIAL INFORMATION

The following items and activities are strictly

PROHIBITED



Guns, Ammunition, Tasers, Brass Knuckles, Pepper Spray, Mase, Knives or Weapons



Liquor, Beer, Wine, Alcohol, Cigarettes, Vapes, E-Pens or Smoking of any Substance



Marijuana, Drugs, Illegal Substances, Grinders, Bongos or Paraphernalia of Any Kind



Microwaves, Hotplates, Toasters, Toaster Ovens, Grills or Appliances



Bullying, Fighting, Stealing or Criminal Activity



Gambling, Betting, Selling Items Without Written Permission



Subwoofers or Speakers that Do Not Allow You to Turn the Bass Off



Candles, Halogen Lamps, Fireworks, Wax/Oil Burners, Incense, Lighters



Pets or Animals of Any Kind



1126 Solomon Blatt Blvd., Denmark, SC 29042
803.793.5242

OFF TO COLLEGE CHECKLIST

Use this checklist to make sure you have everything you need for your first year at college. These are just suggestions; you should adapt this list to suit your own situation.

Room Needs/Storage

Bedside lamp
Alarm clock/clock radio
Mini trash can
Storage bins
Under-the-bed storage trays
Desk lamp
Fan
Drying rack for laundry
Bulletin board and pushpins
Dry-erase wall calendar/board
Mini toolkit (including screwdriver, hammer, wrench)
Picture hangers (double-sided tape for concrete walls)

HDMI cord, Ethernet cord for computer (check if your room has wireless)
Surge protector
Extension cords
3-2 prong adapters
MP3 player
Headphones
Camera
Cell phone

Shared Items — Check with roommate(s)

Audio equipment
TV and DVD player
Small refrigerator (no larger than 3.4 cubic feet)
Area rug
Posters/art

Linens/Laundry Supplies

Sheets and pillowcases
Mattress pad
Blankets (2)
Comforter/bedspread
Clothes hangers
Laundry bag/basket
Laundry detergent, fabric softener
Lint brush
Mini sewing kit

Toiletries

Antacid
Aspirin or other pain relievers
Vitamins
Antidiarrheal medicine
Adhesive bandages, antibiotic ointment
Cough drops
Shower caddy
Shower shoes (flip-flops)
Shampoo and conditioner
Hairstyling products
Bath and face soap
Travel soap container(s)
Toothpaste and toothbrush
Dental floss
Comb/brush
Tweezers
Nail clippers
Hair dryer/straightener/curling iron
Razor and shaving cream
Lotion and/or facial moisturizer
Cotton swab

Office/Desk Supplies

Electronic storage media memory cards USB flash drives
Stapler and staples
Printer paper
Pens and pencils
Pencil holder and sharpener
Notebooks
Folder with pockets
Labels of various sizes
3 x 5 index cards
Sticky notes
Paper clips and binder clips
Rubber bands
Tape
Scissors
Highlighter pens (multiple colors)
Ruler

Electronics

Laptop (printer is optional; there are usually computer labs where you can print)
Portable speakers (if you want to play music from laptop/MP3 player)

CAMPUS RESOURCES

MAIL

Residential students use the following mailing address:

Student's First and Last Name
1126 Solomon Blatt Hall
Residence Hall Name, Room Number
Denmark, South Carolina, 29042

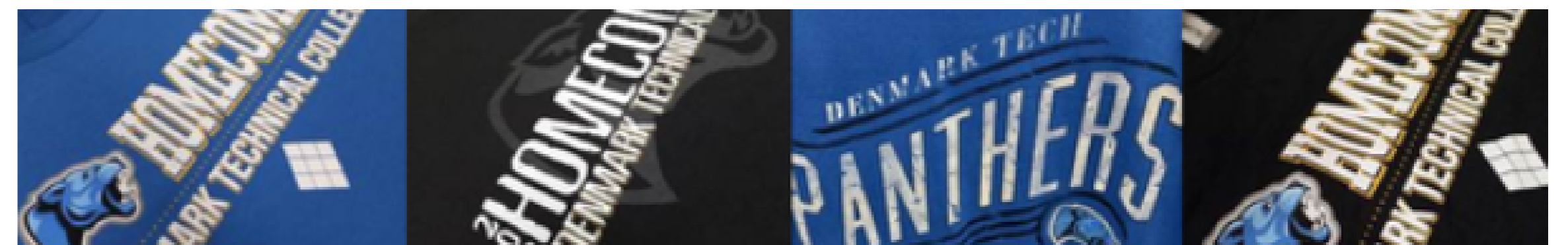
Package Pick-Up

The Office of Residence Life located in Building 29 manages student packages. Students are notified of the package when the item arrives and is processed through mail distribution.



SPIRIT STORE

Take advantage of your on-campus source for textbooks, electronics, and official DTC merchandise. The Spirit Store is in the student Center, (803)793-5159.



STUDENT LEADERSHIP AND ENGAGEMENT

The Office of Student Leadership and Engagement supports the mission of the college by providing a well-balanced cultural and social experience. Through the various clubs and organizations, campus programs and leadership programs, students can engage in activities that will enhance their social and academic endeavors.

The Office of Student Leadership and Engagement is located in the student center. (803) 793-5112.

CAMPUS FOOD

VENDING MACHINES

For the convenience of residents and their guests, vending machines are located across campus. Students experiencing problems with the vending machines should contact the staff member on duty. Tampering with or abuse of the vending machines is prohibited. Students may use cash or debit cards in the vending machines.

DINING SERVICES

Campus dining provides DTC with the very best in food quality and service. By constantly working to keep up with the ever-changing trends in campus dining, we are able to offer a terrific mix of traditional menu options. We offer a wide selection and a convenient schedule to suit your needs.



CUSTODIAL SERVICES

Custodial services staff is assigned to each residence hall. The custodians are responsible for the care and cleaning of the lounges, hallways, stairways, hall bathrooms, and other common areas in the residence halls. As a resident of campus housing, you are responsible for keeping your room clean. The housekeeping staff is NOT responsible for individual rooms. All trash and other litter from individual rooms should be put into bags and placed in receptacles found on the outside of the building. The custodial staff members must be extended the same courtesy and respect as other staff members. Littering is prohibited. Any resident found in violation of littering inside or on the grounds of any residence hall will be subject to immediate removal from housing, disciplinary action, and/or fines. In addition, the right to live in a residence hall may be forfeited during subsequent semesters while enrolled at Denmark Tech.



CAMPUS RESOURCES

COUNSELING

Denmark Technical College Division of Student Affairs is pleased to offer counseling services that are dedicated to providing confidential counseling to all enrolled Denmark Technical College students seeking to enhance their personal growth and psychological well-being on their journey to leading more effective and rewarding lives.

All counseling is offered at a sliding scale discount or free for DTC students. If you are interested in counseling services, please scan the QR code or contact Dr. Hinton, Dean of Students at (803) 378-4674 or Dr. White, Vice President of Student Affairs at (803) 571-0926.

If you are in crisis, call Public Safety (803)824-9121 24-hour Crisis Response & Intervention Contact: (833)364-2274.

The DTC counseling center adheres to strict rules of confidentiality and HIPPA regulations except in situations where reporting is mandated by law. Counseling records are not available to faculty, administrators, parents or any other party without prior written consent of the student. The counseling provided uses a holistic approach and encourages self-learning in a confidential environment.

Services provided include:

- Individual counseling
- Personal and Relationship Counseling
- Group counseling
- Alcohol and Substance Abuse Counseling and Prevention
- Sexual Assault and Prevention Services
- Coordination of hospitalizations
- Crisis Interventions & Crisis Management
- Referral management

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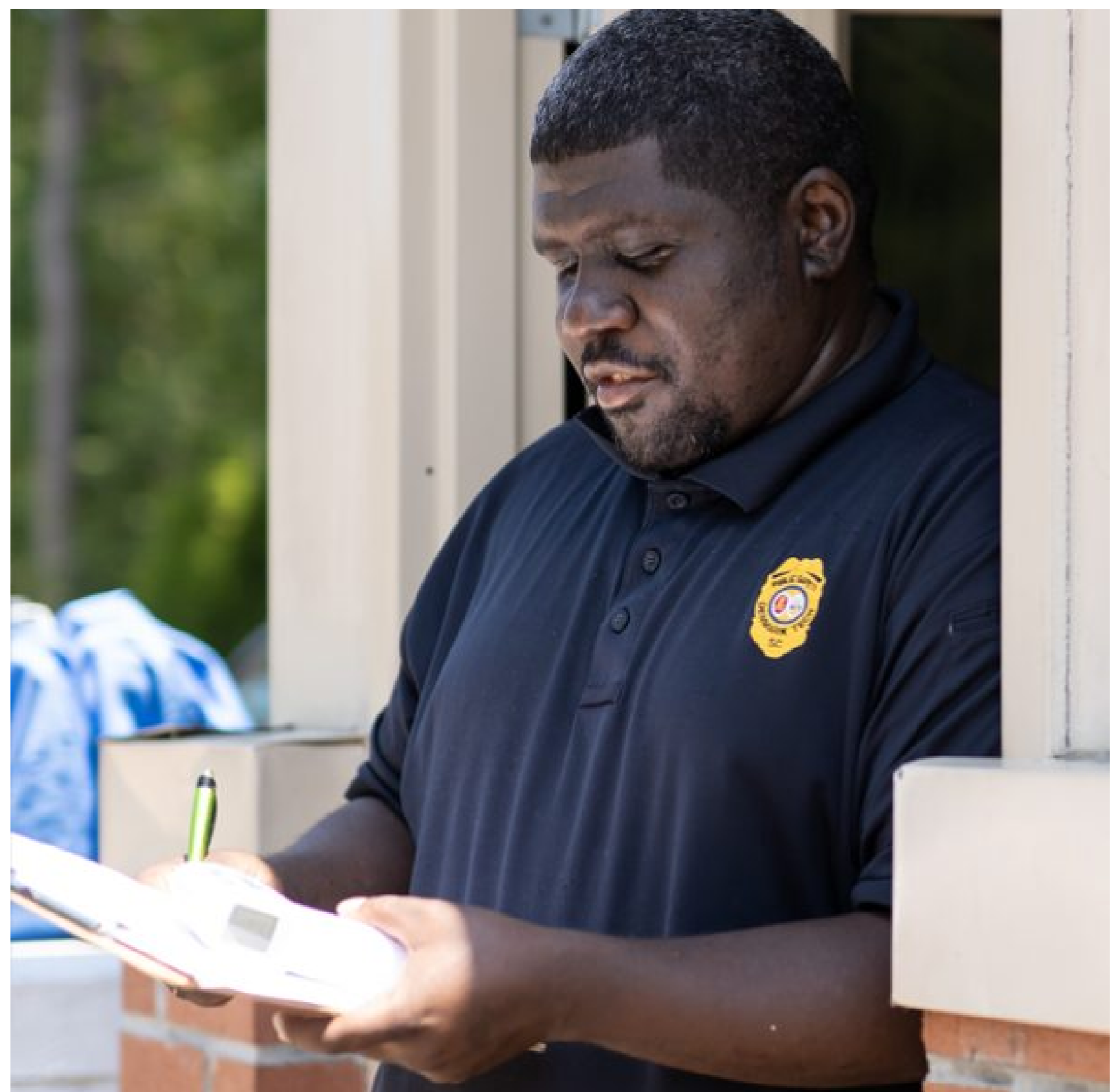


PARKING

All South Carolina State laws and Bamberg County laws apply on the Denmark Technical College campus unless specifically superseded by Denmark Technical College's regulations. The Bamberg County Court has jurisdiction over all traffic and parking offenses. Drivers must obey the instructions of designated traffic controllers.

All posted traffic signs and signals must be obeyed. Uniform state and Denmark Technical College citations will be issued to violators. Traffic, parking and registration violation fines must be paid to the Business Office. Failure to pay will result in revocation of your driving privileges on campus. Denmark Technical College assumes no responsibility for any vehicle or its contents.

All students may have a vehicle on campus. Vehicles of students regularly or occasionally driven on campus must be registered with the Denmark Technical College Department of Public Safety. Identification decals or visitor's passes must be displayed as directed on all vehicles while on the campus of Denmark Technical College. Vehicle registrants are responsible for all non-moving and parking violations. Proof of liability insurance and driver's license must be shown to any Public Safety or Security Officer upon request. More information can be found at denmarktech.edu/about-dtc/publicsafety.



CAMPUS POLICE

The Department of Public Safety serves, protects, and engages the campus community through quality services, education, partnerships, and proactive law enforcement strategies to ensure the optimal college experience. The Department of Public Safety is in the Physical Plant Building, (803)793-5114.

**COUNSELING SERVICES AVAILABLE BY APPOINTMENT,
MONDAY-FRIDAY ON CAMPUS 9:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M.**

CORE VALUES



EXCELLENCE

We are dedicated to fostering a culture of excellence in all facets of the College through the highest educational standards for student achievement, excellent and transformative faculty teaching, dedicated service and co-curricular activities.



LEADERSHIP

We will act as role models, inspiring others, encouraging ambition, drive, grit and perseverance as we work together toward a common goal and vision.



STUDENT CENTERED

Students are our top priority and we are committed to helping them become globally competitive in an enriching, stimulating and supportive environment.



INTEGRITY

As an institution, we must ensure that we are consistent in providing professional, reliable and fair services for our students as well as the community stakeholders.



TRANSPARENCY

Ensuring that all are aware of the successes and challenges of the college.

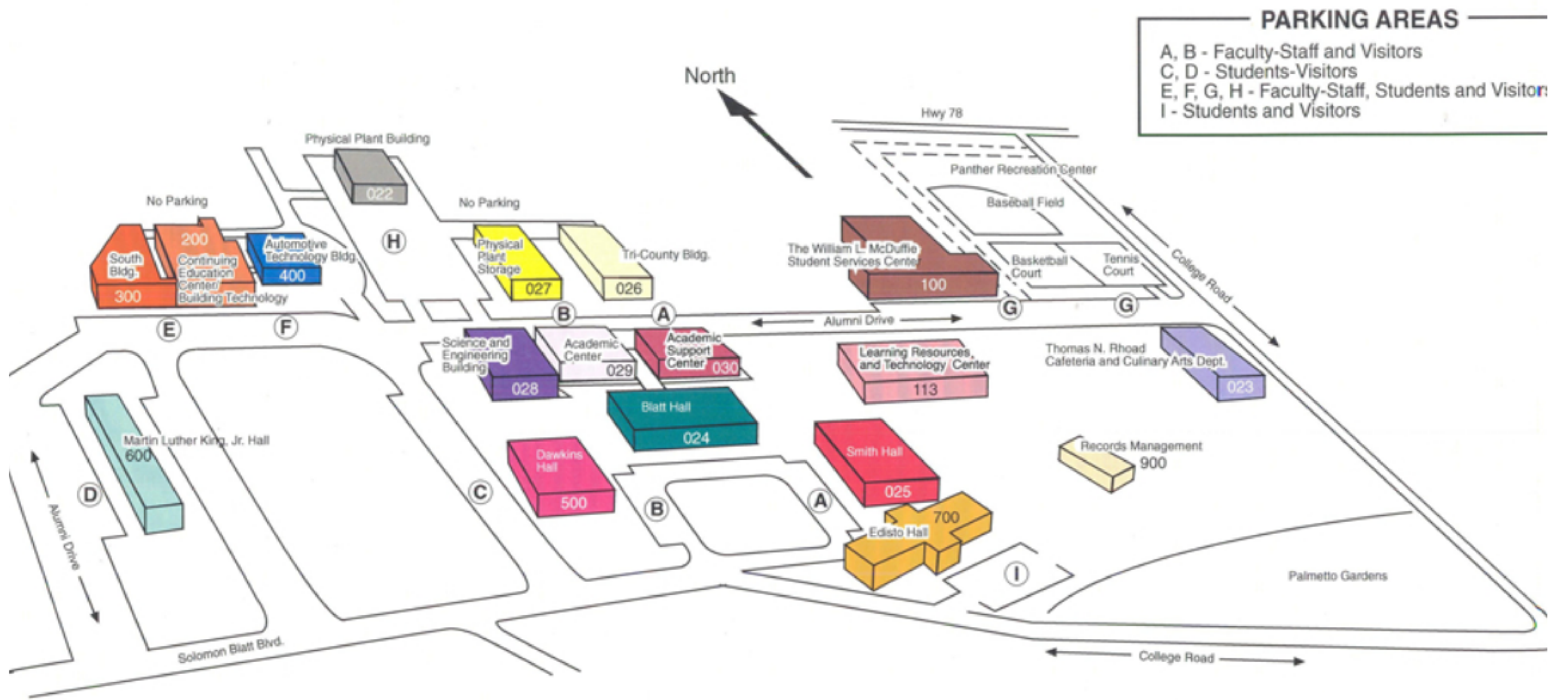


INNOVATION

We will be forward thinking, creative, and proactive in our endeavors to advance Denmark Technical College.



CAMPUS MAP



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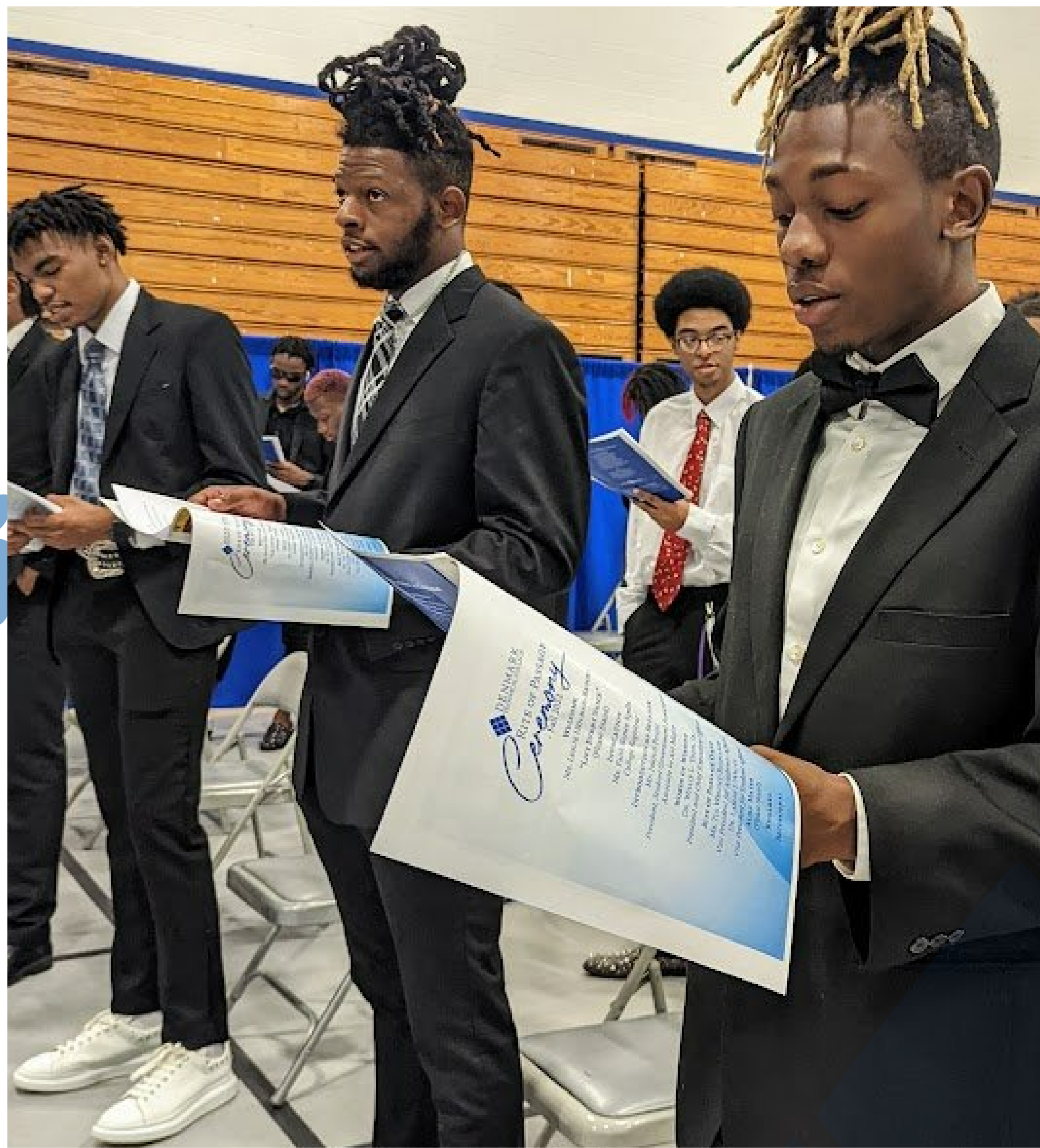
CAMPUS MAP

ALMA MATER

O' Alma Mater, waving high
The Pride of all our hearts
Real manliness, fidelity
That never doth depart.

We love thy large and tiny halls,
Thy lawns and sunny plains.
We give thee praise with all our might
And yours we will remain.

To thee, dear, Denmark Tech
Our hearts are beating true.
We give thee praise and loyalty
In everything we do.



CONTACT INFORMATION

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HOUSING CONTACT INFORMATION

Residence Life

Cantey Building, Suite 111

(803)793-5154

hintons@denmarktech.edu

Edisto Hall (803)780-7095

Dawkins Hall (803)780-7094

King Hall (803)792-5282

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

24-Crisis Response & Intervention (833)364-2274

Academic Affairs (803) 793-5109

Admissions and Recruitment (803) 780-7053

Career and Student Success (803) 793-5287

Cashier Office and Student Account (803)793-5121

Dean of Students (803)793-5154

Financial Aid and Veteran Affairs (803) 793-5161

Public Safety (803) 793-5114 or (803) 928-7301

Student Affairs (803) 793-5242

Student Health Center (803) 793-5261

Student Leadership and Engagement (803) 793-5112

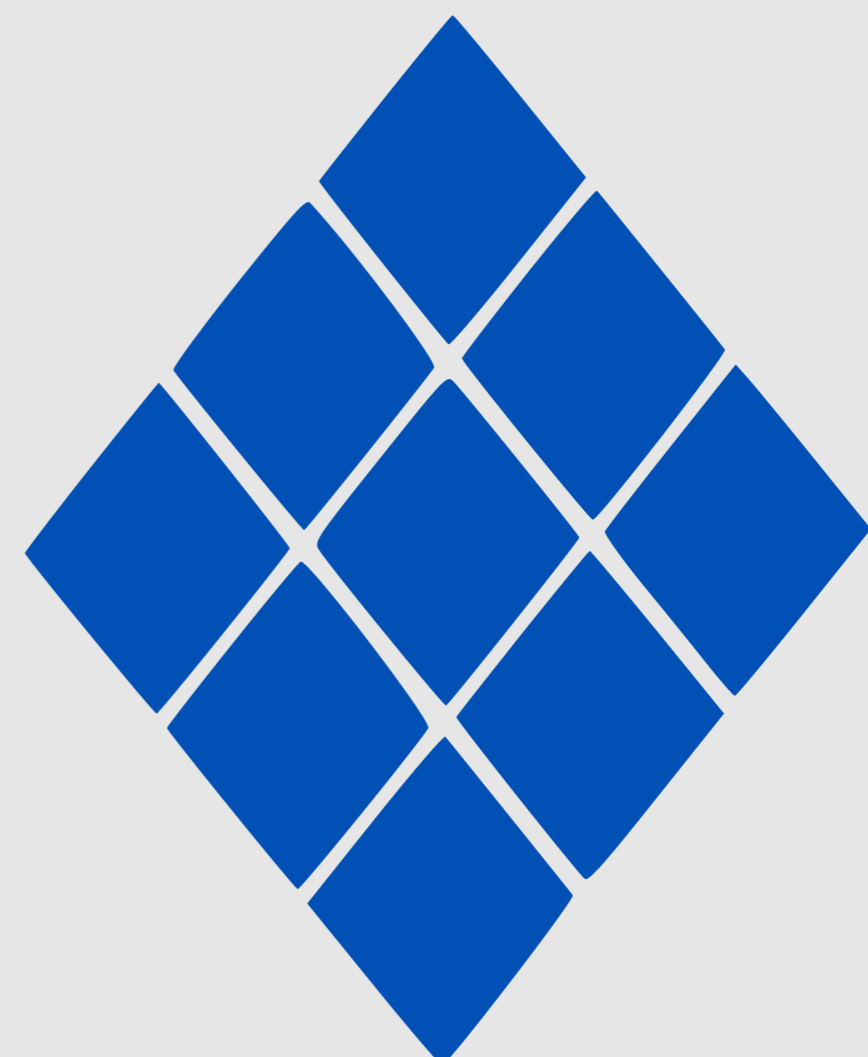




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