

ACTC Receives National Recognition from Project Lead The Way for Commitment to Student Achievement

Named a distinguished school for excellence in STEM education and preparing students for future careers

Williamston, SC – The Anderson Districts 1 & 2 Career and Technology Center announced today that it has been recognized as a 2025-26 Project Lead The Way (PLTW) Distinguished School. It is among a select group of high schools across the United States to receive this honor for its commitment to increasing student access, engagement, and achievement in career-connected learning. Through their PLTW Computer Science, Biomedical Science, and Engineering programs, ACTC is helping students develop transferable skills needed to succeed in an evolving future.

Hollie Harrell, Director of ACTC, states the Distinguished School recognition from PLTW “shows the dedication from our faculty and staff to bring high quality, rigorous curriculum to the students.”

[PLTW](#) is a national nonprofit organization that creates transformative learning experiences and empowers students to develop in-demand knowledge and skills for future careers.

The PLTW Distinguished School recognition honors schools committed to increasing student access, engagement, and achievement in their PLTW programs. To be eligible for the designation, ACTC had to meet multiple criteria in the 2024-25 school year, such as the number of PLTW courses available to students, the percentage of students enrolled in PLTW, and the percentage of students taking more than one PLTW course.

"We are proud to honor ACTC for giving students hands-on, career-connected learning that builds the confidence, knowledge, and skills to navigate their futures," said Dr. David Dimmett, PLTW President and CEO. "Their commitment to real-world, project-based learning ensures students experience education that is meaningful and directly connected to what comes next."

ACTC is part of a national community of PreK-12 schools, higher education institutions, and more than 100 industry partners united in the mission to prepare students for school, work, and life. For more information about PLTW's Distinguished Program Recognition, visit <https://www.pltw.org/pltw-program-recognition>

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