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## **Central Alabama Community College to Begin Instruction at Pratt's Mill Center**

**Prattville, AL-** The Prattville Area Chamber of Commerce, the City of Prattville, the Autauga County Commission, the City of Millbrook and the Elmore County Commission are excited to announce Central Alabama Community College (CACC) will be relocating its institutional site to the Pratt's Mill Center, across from Long-Lewis Ford, located at 2078 Fairview Avenue, Prattville, Alabama.

On June 13, 2018, the Alabama Community College System Board of Trustees approved the relocation of CACC's Millbrook instructional site from Stan Hope Elmore High School, where it was housed since 2015, to the Pratt's Mill Center in Prattville. Dr. Susan Burrow, President of CACC, expresses, "sincere appreciation to the City of Millbrook and the Elmore County School System for providing the initial site to establish instruction for the area. The cities of Millbrook and Prattville, along with the Elmore and Autauga County Commissions, worked collaboratively to aid CACC in locating a new site where opportunities could be expanded." CACC will begin offering courses at the Pratt's Mill Center in the fall 2018 term. The new site is strategically located on the Autauga/Elmore County line along highway 14 in Prattville. "The Pratt's Mill Center location allows the college to offer credit and non-credit classes during the day, night and weekend hours," she stated.

CACC is very excited and appreciative for the support and partnership shown by the city of Prattville and the Autauga County Commission for its relocation to the Pratt's Mill Center. "We are excited to announce that Central Alabama Community College is officially a Partner of Prattville. Post-secondary education in the City of Prattville will provide students educational opportunities at a convenience to their home. Our founder, Daniel Pratt, began this movement in 1839, pioneering the way for industry in Alabama and the United States. This partnership with CACC will provide local workforce development within our community and enable citizens the opportunity to live, work, and play in our hometown. This partnership is the right fit at the right time, and we are looking forward to the future with higher education," said Mayor Bill Gillespie, Jr. "We are enthusiastic and appreciative of the investment the Alabama Community College System is making to our community, and a partnership of this nature will continue the legacy of our founder while opening the doors for numerous future endeavors."

"Securing a Community College in Autauga County has been a priority for the Autauga County Commission and today we are thrilled to officially welcome Central Alabama Community College to Autauga County," stated Jay Thompson, Chairman Autauga County Commission. "This partnership opens new doors for our residents and those living in the surrounding area to pursue career opportunities close to home."

In anticipation of the workforce needs of the surrounding communities, CACC will be offering existing for-credit and non-credit programs, including basic support for health-related careers, advanced manufacturing, transportation and logistics, information technology, and coursework leading to academic transfer in STEM related fields, at their new Prattville Center.

"Community Colleges are an economic engine for growth and vitality of communities and are seen as primary vehicles for today's workforce training", said Amy Brabham, Economic Development Director for the Prattville Chamber. "We are honored that CACC has selected the Prattville/Autauga community and are excited about the opportunities they bring, not only to our residents, but also our future workforce needs."

Students who are interested in enrolling in classes this fall need to download the CACC App on their smart phone or visit [www.cacc.edu](http://www.cacc.edu) to begin and complete the enrollment process.

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