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HISTORY AND SERVICE AREAS

Bevill State Community College is a part of the state system of community, junior, and technical colleges authorized by the Alabama Legislature under Act. No. 93, cited as the Alabama Trade School and Junior College Authority Act, approved May 3, 1963. Act No. 94, approved May 3, 1963, vested in the State Board of Education the authority and responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the system.

In 1992, Bevill State Community College was created by the consolidation of two premier two-year colleges, which were a part of the original two-year college legislation: Walker State Technical College, formerly a vocational/technical institution, and Brewer State Junior College, primarily a two-year academic transfer institution. In 1993, the Hamilton Campus of the former Northwest Alabama Community College joined Bevill State as one of its main campuses. In May 1998, the Alabama State Board of Education approved the acquisition of UAB Walker College, and subsequently merged it with Bevill State Community College, designating that campus as the Walker College Campus. The College operates off-campus instructional sites at the Pickens County Educational Center in Carrollton and Mount Olive.

Bevill State offers university parallel, career technical, health sciences, developmental education, adult education, short-term and skills training, training for existing business and industry, mining training, and continuing education, opportunities to approximately one-quarter of a million people in the seven county area, which spans 4,628 miles, from the Birmingham city limits to the Mississippi state line.