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**Press Conference to Announce Opening of Chester Workforce
and Learning Success Center**

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CHESTER—At a press conference on Monday, August 3, York Technical College will announce the opening of the Chester Workforce and Learning Success Center in Chester. The event will begin at 10 a.m. at the York Technical College Saluda Street Center (127 Saluda St., Chester).

Rep. John Spratt will be on hand to describe the importance of the new Center and the federal government's support.

The Chester Workforce and Learning Success Center, which will be housed within the Saluda Street facility, will provide career assessment and essential work skills training for those who are currently unemployed as well as adult education students, high school students and current York Tech students. Instruction will include a significant "learning to learn" component for individuals and small groups that will help them become better learners.

The Center is being launched at a critical time for Chester County, which currently has an unemployment rate of more than 20 percent, third highest in the state.

The new Workforce and Learning Success Center is made possible by the generous support of community partners like BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina, Chester County Council, Chester County Economic Development, S.C. Department of Commerce, Chester County School District, Catawba Workforce Investment Board, Chester One Stop and Chester County Adult Education.

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