

# Student Achievement 2016

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As part of its [mission](#), Trenholm State is committed to granting associate degrees and offering courses for career preparation. To that end, Trenholm State evaluates its success in achieving these aspects of its mission by examining data from multiple sources. The College reports and evaluates program enrollment, retention, completion, licensure, and job placement rates. In addition, Trenholm State measures student achievement by monitoring student performance rates in several programs: **Cosmetology, Emergency Medical Services, Truck Driving and Practical Nursing**. (Please scroll down to bottom to see charts) The college uses these findings to support and improve student achievement as part of its [strategic planning process](#).

**Commitment to Students:** Trenholm State supports an open admission policy and is committed to providing a dynamic learner-centered environment where excellence in teaching, learning and serving improves the lives of its students and the community it serves.

The College is working to have at least 50% of its new freshmen return for their second year by September 30, 2016. This target was met in fall 2014. The fall 2014 to fall 2015 retention rate is [53.33%](#).



Trenholm State is committed to providing “accessible educational opportunities” by having affordable [tuition and fees](#). The in-state tuition and fees is \$143.00 per credit hour.



The Practical Nursing Program at Trenholm State Community College has been ranked the #5 nursing program in the State of Alabama. According to **Practical Nursing.Org** which used the latest government sourced NCLEX-PN (National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses) results, Trenholm State ranked **#6 out of twenty-one** state approved programs. The NCLEX-PN exam is used by state boards of nursing around the country testing proficiency and granting licensure. It is considered one of the best measures for determining how well a school is preparing their students for a career in practical nursing.

## **Completion, Placement and Licensure Passage Rates**

[The Council on Occupational Education Annual Completion, Placement and Licensure report](#) illustrates completions, licensure, and placement data by program and award level for every program and for the institution for 2013, 2014 and 2015. For the last three years, Trenholm State completion, placement and licensure passage institutional rates have exceeded the minimum threshold of 60% for completion, 70% for placement and 70% for licensure passage rates. In 2015, the institutional rates were 78% - completion, 90% - placement, and 87% - licensure passage.

## **Completer Satisfaction Survey**

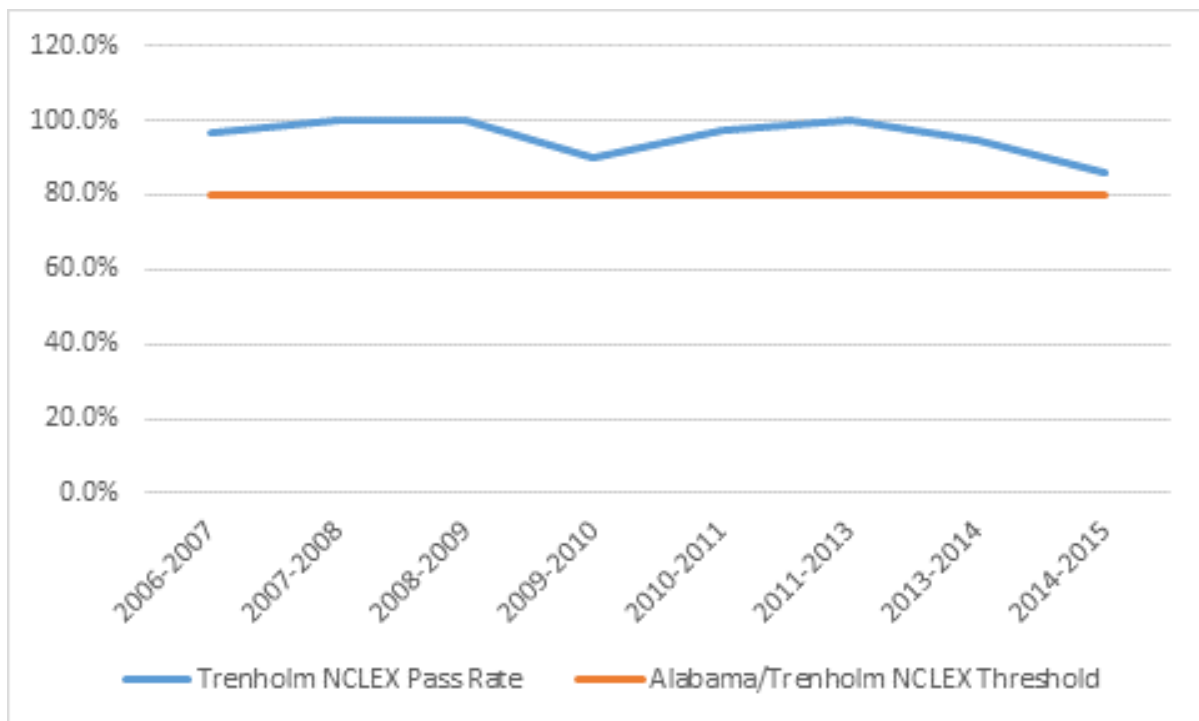
All graduating students are required to complete Trenholm State’s [2016 Completer Exit Survey](#) during their semester of graduation. Of the 425 students who graduated from Trenholm State

during the period of summer 2015 to spring 2016, 314 completed the survey for a 74% response rate. Of the respondents, 62% indicated that they were currently employed, while 37% were not, less than 1% left this question blank. In addition, 91% of survey respondents were satisfied with the education received from Trenholm.

### Employer's Satisfaction Survey

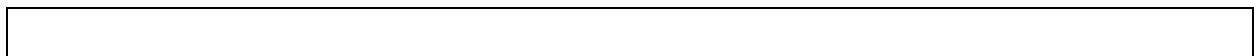
The Office of Institutional Research periodically (the next survey is scheduled for 2017) surveys employers regarding the preparedness of Trenholm State's graduates. In the [2014 Employer's Satisfaction Survey](#), 28 of the College's 30 programs were represented by the survey respondents. Of the 60 survey respondents, 71.67% gave the College's educational results with graduates that they have hired or personally known a *Excellent* rating, 20% gave a *Very Good* rating and 6.67% gave an *good* rating. Consequently, the College received a *Good to Excellent* rating of 98.3%.

### Practical Nursing Program NCLEX Pass Rates



Note: For 2014-15, the Alabama NCLEX average passage rate is 90.5% and the national average is 81.2%.

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<b>Cosmetology Program Licensure Passage Rate by Award Level</b>					
	<b>Threshold</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>
<b>Short Certificate</b>	≥ 70%	100%	90%	100%	100%
<b>Certificate</b>	≥ 70%	100%	100%	100%	100%

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<b>Emergency Medical Services Retention, Placement, and Licensure Passage Rates</b>					
	Threshold  (established by CoAEMSP)	Graduation Year, Class of....			
		<b>3-Yr Avg.</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>Retention</b>	≥ 70%	76.8%	77.8%	72.7%	81.5%
<b>Placement</b>	≥ 70%	100%	100%	100%	100%
<b>Licensure Exam - Written</b>	≥ 70%	92.9%	100%	92%	92.3%
<b>Licensure Exam - Practical</b>	≥ 70%	100%	100%	100%	100%

*Note: Data is for Students completing the Paramedic Certificate and Associate Degree Only*

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