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CCCC has built an innovative partnership with Piedmont Biofuels that results in numerous educational opportunities for its students.

In the last three years CCCC and Piedmont Biofuels have partnered on a variety of projects. A biofuels conference was held at the CCCC campus in Pittsboro, NC that was attended by students, researchers, and enthusiasts. In addition, Piedmont and CCCC students performed lab testing on biofuel samples furnished by Piedmont and other commercial biodiesel producers, and helped produce lab batches of coconut methyl esters for use in environmentally responsible product development at a local firm. Lastly, CCCC students have been placed as Interns at Piedmont Biofuels exposing them to industry best practices and job opportunities.

This kind of partnership is unusual at the community college level and is a testament to the quality of programs at CCCC.

Sincerely,

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