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for consideration by the Apex Town Council

Item Type: PRESENTATION

Meeting Date: September 9, 2025

## Item Details

Presenter(s): Mayor Jacques K. Gilbert, sponsor  
Matt Smith, Vice-President of Development and Strategic Partnerships

Department(s): Governing Body  
Wake Technical Community College (WTCC)

### Requested Motion

Receive as information an update on the Wake Technical Community College site in the Veridea Development in Apex, North Carolina.

### Approval Recommended?

N/A

### Item Details

Wake Tech's existing Western Wake Campus, located in a leased facility in Cary, will be relocated to a highly accessible 34-acre site on N.C. Highway 55 in Apex. The new Conlon Western Wake Campus will be part of the 1,000-acre Veridea development project that spans N.C. 55, U.S. Highway 1 and the N.C. Highway 540 expansion. The Veridea project also includes single and multi-family housing, commercial, industrial and life science space, and a new NC Children's Hospital, which are not part of the Wake Tech project. The new permanent campus will be south of downtown Apex and north of downtown Holly Springs and will be within a few miles of most of the new and expanding biotechnology companies in that part of Wake County.

In addition to replacing the current leased facility, the relocated Conlon Western Wake Campus will make Wake Tech programs more accessible to residents of the western part of the county. The permanent campus will feature a new Workforce Center that supports training efforts for the growing biotech/biopharma/life sciences industry in the vicinity, as well as industrial training facilities and facilities for Wake Tech's simulation and game development, entrepreneurship and small-business programs.

## **BUDGET & FINANCING INFORMATION**

Total Budget: \$115 million

HUB Goal: 10%

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## **PROJECT STATUS**

Design: Fall 2025

Construction: Fall 2027

Anticipated Occupancy: Fall 2029 - Spring 2030

HUB: TBD

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## **PROJECT CONTACTS**

Wake Tech Project Manager: James Skinner

Wake Tech HUB Coordinator: Rustin McNiff

Builder/General Contactor: TBD

Designer: HKS Architecture

## Attachments

- PR6-A1: PowerPoint Presentation - Conlon Western Wake Campus - Master Plan - Wake Technical Community College (WTCC) - Apex Side Update

