

Press Release

DSLCC and Shentel Partner on Fiber Optic Project

Shentel is pleased to assist Dabney S. Lancaster Community College (DSLCC) with a project to enhance the College's cable reception, as well as interconnect the campus with fiber optic cable. This project is a new partnership between Shentel and DSLCC, with some members of the College's technical staff dedicating numerous hours to the project and Shentel providing the services of an on-site team, equipment and supervision during project implementation.

Both partners are making substantial contributions so that the goals of the project will be successfully met in a timely way. DSLCC is providing labor to assist Shentel employees now working on campus. Shentel's equipment donations include the necessary components, including items such as the fiber optic cable, fiber splicing material, patch frames, transmitters, nodes, fiber splitters and jumpers.

Shentel representative Cindy Rinker commented on the project during a recent visit to the DSLCC campus, stating, "Our focus is the customer. We are committed to strengthening and expanding services in this area, building upon our solid history of having served this region for over 100 years."

DSLCC President Richard Teaff expressed his appreciation for the many contributions that Shentel has made, and continues to make, to the College. "Without the support of companies like Shentel, it would not be possible for us to have the resources for the infrastructure necessary to keep abreast of the newest technologies and services that our students need and deserve", commented Teaff. "One of our highest priorities is for DSLCC graduates to enter the workforce or continue their education at four-year institutions having had experience with the latest advances in telecommunications. We appreciate this support very much and sincerely value this partnership with Shentel."

The final timetable for project completion will be set in the near future. Current plans include interconnecting Moomaw Center, McCarthy Hall, Scott Hall, Warren Hall, Backels Hall and the Armory/Convocation Center.