

Andrew College

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Andrew College to host 163rd Convocation

CUTHBERT, GA. – Andrew College officially launches the new academic year on its campus Thursday, August 25 with an opening convocation ceremony at 11 a.m. in the G. Clyde and Ruth Tarrer Jinks, Sr. Physical Education Complex. This ceremony marks the College's 163rd academic year since its founding in 1854.

President Linda R. Buchanan will deliver the keynote address. President Buchanan became the 28th president of Andrew College in June of 2015. She brought nearly 40 years of experience in higher education to her work at Andrew along with a passion for supportive and engaged undergraduate teaching and learning environments. She was particularly pulled to the Andrew presidency due to its proud history of serving Southwest Georgia as a beacon of the United Methodist Church.

Dr. Buchanan completed her undergraduate degree at George Williams College in Illinois, a graduate degree at Eastern Kentucky University, and a doctorate at Georgia State University. She brought a full set of administrative and leadership experience to Andrew at a time when the opportunity to grow and better serve the region presented itself. She also served the United States Navy for 24 years as a reservist simultaneously with her higher education experience, retiring in 2009 with the rank of Captain.

The slogan adopted for the Andrew College strategic plan is Reach Higher, and her remarks at the Convocation will use it as a theme. The ceremony is open to all Andrew College students and members of the community are encouraged to attend. To stay up-to-date on all Andrew college events, follow [@AndrewCollege](https://twitter.com/AndrewCollege) on Twitter or visit www.andrewcollege.edu.

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Established in 1854, Andrew College is a small, residential, two-year College related to The United Methodist Church and is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges. Situated in the rural southwest Georgia community of Cuthbert, Andrew College offers the Associate of Art, Associate of Music, and Associate of Science degrees.