



ABOUT

Welcome to the Cobb Innovation and Technology Academy, the district's tuition-free career academy. CITA students train inside real industry partnerships, including Wellstar Health System, Chattahoochee Technical College, and NAPA, with opportunities to earn certifications, college credit, and connections to employers. What began at Osborne in 2020 now serves roughly 500 students, with a second \$25 million campus open at Allatoona. If your student wants a head start on a career, this is the place to get it. There has never been a better time to launch a career at CITA.

MISSION

Your Choice. Your Future.

VISION

We prepare all students for a successful career by helping them discover their passions.



PATHWAYS THAT LEAD SOMEWHERE

CITA's Osborne campus is organized into three pillars — Maker Industries, Emerging Technologies, and Community and Healthcare Services— while the new Allatoona campus adds Aviation, Healthcare, Skilled Trades, and Advanced Computing. Every pathway is designed to end in an industry credential, not just a course grade.



STUDENT COMPETITION SUCCESS

In June 2025, four CITA students competed at the HOSA International Leadership Conference in Nashville, with two placing in the top 10 in Clinical Laboratory Science and a third placing 9th in Phlebotomy. In May 2026, two CITA seniors were among only six students in Georgia honored by NAPA on SkillsUSA National Signing Day.



EMPLOYERS AT THE TABLE

A \$2 million partnership with Wellstar Health System hired 12 CITA graduates directly in 2025 and five more in 2026. Additional signing-day placements have come through Chattahoochee Technical College, Kennesaw State University, Georgia Tech, GreyStone Power Corporation, and skilled-trades employers.



GROWING TO MEET DEMAND

CITA opened its second campus at Allatoona High School in July 2026 — a \$25 million facility funded through voter-approved SPLOST dollars — welcoming 116 students in its inaugural year alongside nearly 500 already enrolled at Osborne.

"My daughter chose CITA in eighth grade and never looked back. She graduated with skills that employers were already calling about."

- PARENT

"I will leave CITA with a credential and real work experience before graduation. Class here feels like the first day of my career."

- STUDENT



CITA exists so students can find their passion and leave with a career.

Watching our first graduates walk into industry jobs, and a second campus open at Allatoona, tells me that what we've built is effective.



DR. TIFFANY BARNEY,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR





BY THE NUMBERS

- ~500 students enrolled at CITA's original Osborne campus as of July 2026.
- 116 students in the inaugural class at the new Allatoona campus.
- \$2 million — the value of CITA's healthcare workforce partnership with Wellstar Health System, which hired 12 graduates in 2025 and 5 more in 2026.
- 2 of only 6 students in Georgia honored by NAPA on SkillsUSA National Signing Day, each earning a \$2,500 scholarship.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Wellstar Pipeline Delivers: Twelve CITA seniors signed on as new Wellstar Health System employees in April 2025 under the academy's \$2 million healthcare partnership; five more signed in June 2026.

HOSA International Top 10: Four CITA students competed at the June 2025 HOSA International Leadership Conference in Nashville — Selah Garret placed 5th and Estephania Valenzuela finished 6th in Clinical Laboratory Science, and Alexia Bravo placed 9th in Phlebotomy.

NAPA and SkillsUSA Signing Day Honorees: Nick Briere and Andrea Martinez were two of only six students in Georgia honored by NAPA in May 2026.

Second Campus Opens: CITA opened its \$25 million second campus at Allatoona High School in July 2026, expanding the tuition-free model district-wide.

District CTAE Honors: Haylie Vicente was named district Work-Based Learning Student of the Year and Star Leslie Orji won district CTAE High School Student of the Year in 2026.



ED-SPLOST Community support through Ed-SPLOST built both CITA campuses, bringing hands-on career education to students across Cobb. The Osborne campus opened in 2020, followed by the Allatoona location in 2026. Together, these facilities give students specialized spaces to explore careers, develop technical skills, and prepare for opportunities after graduation.

- TWO CAREER ACADEMY CAMPUSES BUILT WITH ED-SPLOST
- SPECIALIZED SPACES FOR HANDS-ON LEARNING
- EXPANDED CAREER OPPORTUNITIES FOR COBB STUDENTS

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