

Western Piedmont Accessible, Innovative, Exciting

MORGANTON — Western Piedmont Community College — the College on the Hill.

The lush green campus and striking, contemporary architecture of Western Piedmont convey the excitement of the innovative comprehensive community college of today.

Further evidence of the school's attractiveness is the completion of two additional buildings, increased enrollment, and the addition of new courses and programs to the curricula.

Western Piedmont is located near the intersection of Interstate 40 and Highway 64 in Morganton.

The 132-acre campus commands a breath-taking view of the rolling hills of the Piedmont with a distant vista of three mountain ranges.

Accessibility is a key word for the college, in terms of location to the wide area it serves and in the buildings on

campus. Well equipped laboratories, shops and classrooms, a qualified faculty and a Learning Resources Center, encompassing a library of over 20,000 volumes, audio-visual materials and programmed materials for individual or group study provide the essential ingredients for growth.

Operating within the "open-door" philosophy of accepting all students who can benefit from continuing education, the college offers college transfer, two-year technical and one-year vocational programs, in addition to a wide variety of interest, avocational, and vocational upgrading courses appealing to adult and special interest groups through the Adult Education Division.

Fully accredited by Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Western Piedmont stresses a sound academic program but recognizes the varying abilities of the students en-

rolled in the college.

The student is encouraged to explore his abilities and interests through testing and counseling and examine with counselors and advisers education and career possibilities.

Flexibility in class scheduled is an important consideration in assisting each student attain his goal.

Experience indicates that the Western Piedmont Community College student interested in earning an Associate in Arts or Associate in Science Degree may transfer credits with ease in order to complete the requirements for a bachelor's degree.

Among the technical programs leading to the Associate in Applied Science Degree are business administration, accounting, and legal, medical or executive secretarial science.

The need for trained law enforcement personnel is met

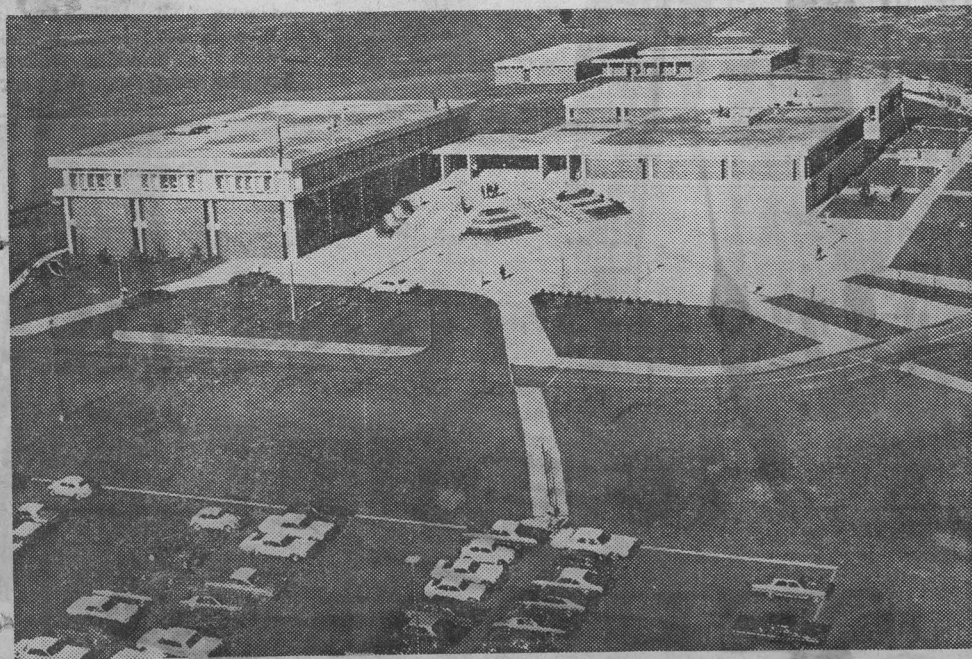
with the two-year police science program while the graduates from the industrial engineering program help satisfy the demand for skilled technicians in industry.

Western Piedmont has become a leader in North Carolina in preparation for health careers with two-year programs in nursing (R.N.), mental health assistant, medical office assistant, and a one year program in medical laboratory technology. Beginning in September 1971, dental assisting

will be added to the health careers curricula.

Drafting and automotive mechanics, one-year vocational programs, train students who desire immediate skills for entry into a promising career.

Western Piedmont Community College exemplifies the dynamic growth of the area it serves by progressively and enthusiastically striving to maintain as a basic philosophy the emphasis on the individual and his needs for today's world.



Aerial View of Western Piedmont Community College