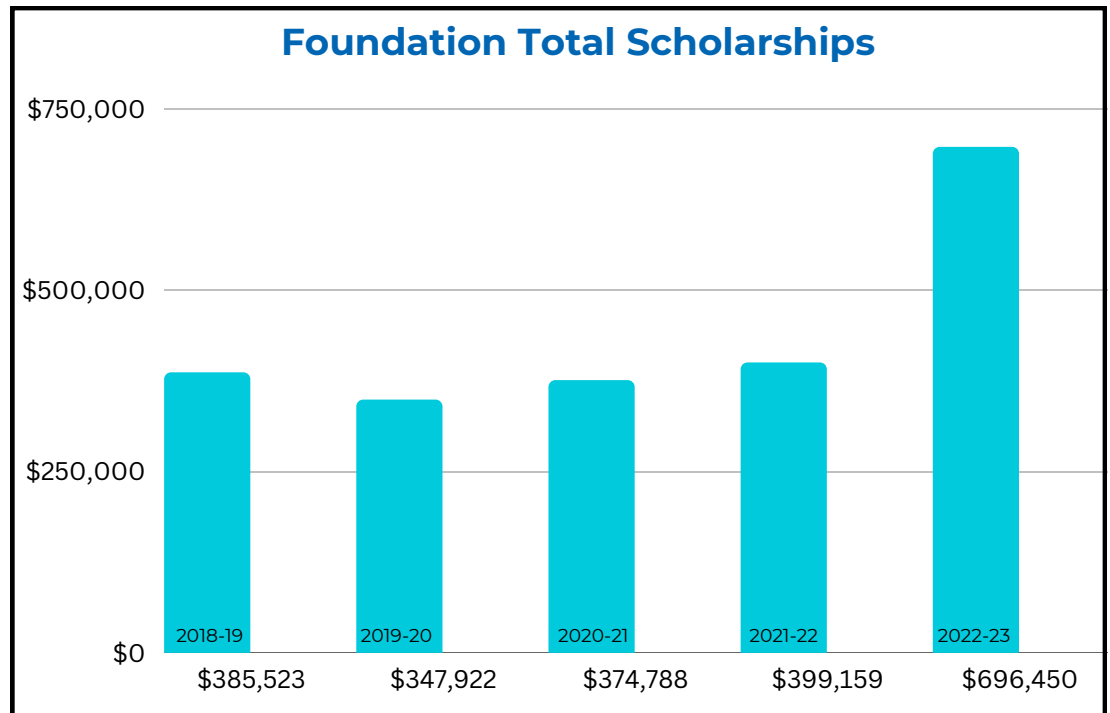


## Dramatic Increase in Dollar Value of Scholarships

Demand for all ACCF scholarships increased by 74% in 2022-2023.

Among the factors for this increase were:

- Enrollment rebounding after the pandemic
- Significant cost increase in books and supplies for students due to high inflation
- COVID benefit programs ending for students



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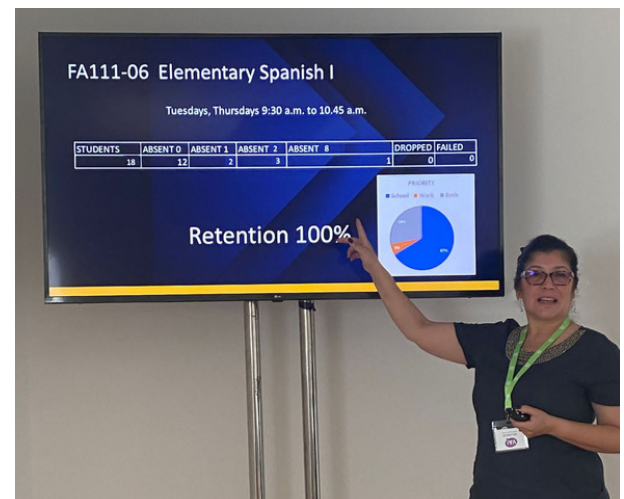
## Instructor Takes Lead Role at Spain Education Conference

ACC Spanish instructor Dr. Claudia G. Vestal was invited to speak at the international conference of The American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese (AATSP) in Spain.

During the conference held at the University of Salamanca, Spain, Dr. Claudia G. Vestal shared with her global colleagues the strategies she uses for designing effective courses, which provide flexible learning options for all students at ACC and improve their retention.

An instructor with ACC since 2019, Dr. Vestal also serves as the interim Department Head of English, Communication, and Humanities.

This trip was underwritten by the ACC Foundation due to the depletion of state funds.



Dr. Claudia Vestal teaching best practice strategies for retention while in Spain.

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I was recently awarded a scholarship through the ACC Foundation. My major is the Information Web & Development program, which aids in my career goal of working with computers, such as webpage design or video game tester. Without this assistance, I would be unable to further my education and pathway to graduation next spring before transferring to NC A&T. This aid leaves me feeling nothing but gratitude. I hope to achieve my goals."

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Cybersafe Camp coordinators and campers included (from left): Dr. Keith Graves, Gillian Lindley, Dr. David Horgan, Sasha Hillian, Ann Snell, Royce Allegretto, Debra McCusker, Jonas Ashley, Liam Miller, and Isaac Black.

## Cybersafe Camp Educates on Digital Crime

An ACC Foundation faculty grant made it possible for local high school students this summer to immerse themselves in a four-day interactive experience at Cybersafe Camp, coordinated by ACC's Information Technology and Business Administration programs.

Cybersafe Camp taught students about the many tricks used by cyber scammers to confuse, coerce, and lure people into taking actions that are not in their best interest, whether it is clicking a link, downloading a file, or giving out personal information during a phone conversation. Campers learned about various ways to publicize an awareness message and how different designs and mediums work when targeting audiences of varying generations and maturity levels.

Cybersafe Slam was the capstone event, a competition to create the most appealing, informative, and effective cybersecurity awareness campaign focused on keeping their own school from succumbing to an attack.