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Smart Scholars: Graduating with Cents New program promoting student financial literacy launches with event on July 21st

Atlanta - July 18, 2016 – Atlanta Technical College (ATC) and Clearpoint Financial Solutions are proud to announce the pilot launch of ***Smart Scholars: Graduating with Cents***.

In response to the alarming financial prospects facing today's college students, and with generous support from community partners, ATC and Clearpoint have partnered to help students achieve long-term financial stability and avoid the pitfalls associated with loan default and over borrowing. The **Smart Scholars** program will empower students with financial education and resources to minimize their student loan debt and help them manage their finances during and after college. The layered, case-management approach will include: online financial literacy classes; regular, one-on-one financial coaching; and creation of a monthly budget. Coaching will be delivered by a dedicated financial counselor who will serve as the central point of contact for students.

- What:** ***Smart Scholars: Graduating with Cents*** launch event
- Where:** Atlanta Technical College - Student Success Center
Academic Complex (Building C)
1560 Metropolitan Parkway SW - Atlanta GA 30310
- When:** Thursday, July 21, 2016 at 10AM
- Who:** ATC scholars and staff, Clearpoint educators and staff, funding partners and media guests

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