Stanly Community College is deeply committed to its mission of enriching the economic, social, and cultural life of the communities it serves. The college places a high value on effective teaching, fostering partnerships, and promoting life-long learning not just for the residents of Stanly County but also for students from other states and countries. To achieve this, the college prioritizes providing both face-to-face and virtual learning environments that are centered around the learner, thereby enhancing access, success, and completion rates.

The cybersecurity program at Stanly Community College stands out due to its comprehensive approach. This program is built on a foundation of a comprehensive curriculum that includes hands-on learning experiences facilitated through labs, simulations, and real-world projects, ensuring that students are not only knowledgeable but also practical problem solvers. The college has established strong industry partnerships, which, alongside a team of expert faculty, helps in preparing students for industry-standard certifications. With flexible learning options such as online and hybrid formats, the program is designed to accommodate various learning preferences and schedules. Furthermore, the program places a significant emphasis on ethics and compliance, ensuring that students understand the importance of ethical behavior in the cybersecurity field. The inclusion of industry-relevant projects in class activities prepares students for the challenges they will face in the real world. Additionally, the program offers career services to support students in their professional development and job search efforts, making the cybersecurity program at Stanly Community College a well-rounded and effective pathway to a career in cybersecurity.

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