

Community Colleges

Mountain Empire Community College, located in Big Stone Gap, Virginia, and Southwest Virginia Community College, located in Richlands, Virginia, offer two-year degree programs in technical and occupational subjects, and the first two years of college level subjects in the arts and sciences. Day and evening classes are available on and off campus.

Both community colleges contract with new and existing industry to train employees and have personnel on staff to work with business and industry.

Higher Education

University of Va at Wise, Wise, VA
Emory & Henry College - Emory, VA
VA Polytechnic Institute - Blacksburg, VA
Radford University - Radford, VA
King College - Bristol, TN
Virginia Intermont College - Bristol, VA
East TN State Univ. - Johnson City, TN
Milligan College - Johnson City, TN
Lincoln Memorial Univ. - Harrogate, TN
Univ. of TN - Knoxville, TN

All colleges listed are within three hours driving time from Scott County.

QUALITY OF LIFE

Health Care

- Scott County residents have access to four hospitals in the adjacent Tri-Cities area, and five facilities in neighboring counties. There are seven community clinics and three nursing homes. The area is served by numerous specialists, as well as, general practitioners.

Hotels/Meeting Rooms

- The Travel Inn Duffield
- Estillville Bed and Breakfast
- Appalachian Mtn. Cabins
- Ole Nickelsville Hotel
- Pap Paws Cabin

Libraries

Scott County is a part of the Lonesome Pine Regional Library system. The County Public Library has over 84,000 volumes.

Recreation

- Outdoor opportunities abound at the Natural Tunnel State Park, The

Homeplace Mountain Farm & Museum, Scott County Park & Golf Course, Grogan Park in Gate City, Weber City Recreation Complex, Duffield Recreation Complex, Bush Mill, Keith Memorial Park in Nickelsville, Bark Camp Lake, the Jefferson National Forest, and the High Knob Recreation Area.

- Organized community recreational programs are available year around for the entire family.

- Carter's Fold, the birthplace of country music, holds weekly shows featuring traditional Appalachian music.

- Cultural activities in the area include the Siege at the Blockhouse, Clinch Mountain MusicFest, Nickelsville Days, Mountain Treasures Festival, Tour de Possum Creek, the Carter Fold Annual Festival, Duffield Daze, the Papa Joe Smiddy Mtn. Music Festival, Bush Mill Day, Scott Co. Horse Assoc. events, Christmas parades, and a variety of drama, music, and sports events.

Religion

- There are over 100 churches in the county representing most Protestant denominations and the Roman Catholic faith. A Jewish Synagogue is located nearby in Blountville, TN.

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

Scott County is served by five primary highways: U.S. 23, U.S. 58, I-26, VA 65, VA 71, and VA 72.

Interstates

1-26 -----20 Miles
I-181 ----- 22 Miles
I-81 ----- 20 Miles
I-75 ----- 48 Miles

Air

Commercial Air Service

Tri-Cities Regional Airport, in Blountville, TN, is approximately 33 miles from Scott County. Airline service is provided by USAir, Atlantic Southeast, ComAir (Delta connections), and American Airlines.

General Aviation Service

Lonesome Pine Airport in Wise, VA, 35 miles from Duffield, is equipped with a 5,400 ft. runway, medium intensity lighting with fasi-beacon lights, radar coverage from Indianapolis Air Traffic Control, and instrument approaches for inclement weather.

Railroads

CSX Transportation
Norfolk Southern Railway

Trucking

Over fifty motor freight carriers have terminals in Scott County or within a 30-mile radius. Sample list: Estes Express, Roadway Express, and ARA/Smith's. Overnight services are available through UPS, Federal Express, and RPS.

INDUSTRIAL-BUSINESS-TECH PARKS

Duffield Regional Industrial Park

Duffield ----- 9.5 acres available

** Rail Access Available*

** Designated as a VA Enterprise Zone*

Scott County Regional Business & Technical Park-----40 acres available

** Designated as a VA Enterprise Zone*

Scott County Industrial Park

Dungannon ----- 25.00 acres available

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