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[2]North Carolina Wesleyan College [3], chartered in October 1956 and opened in 1960, is a four-year, coeducational, liberal arts college in Rocky Mount. It was established by citizens of Nash [4] and Edgecombe [5] Counties in cooperation with officials of the North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church [6]; Bishop Paul Neff Garber [7] and the Reverend Leon Russell were among its founders. The school was named for Englishmen John and Charles Wesley [8], considered the founders of modern Methodism.

The main campus in Rocky Mount is on a 200-acre wooded site. In addition to bachelor of arts and bachelor of science curricula, the college offers a master's degree program in business administration in cooperation with <u>Campbell University</u> [9] of Buies Creek. There are also off-campus facilities in Goldsboro, Raleigh [10] (at Athens Drive Senior High School [11]), Research Triangle Park [12], and New Bern. In 1987 the North Carolina Wesleyan College Press was established with the objective of making writings from regional authors and poets more widely available; it closed in 1995. In the early 2000s Wesleyan enrolled nearly 2,000 students through its programs.

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