Welcome to the Fall Edition of the Completion Agenda Newsletter!

The Fall Semester is well underway at Wayne County Community College District and the Completion Agenda is moving with it in its support of student success. Dr. Curtis L. Ivery has continued with his support of this important initiative and remains committed to all facets of the District working collaboratively to close the skills gap within the 32 communities that we serve.

We have been successful in continuing to spread the message that the Completion Agenda is all about student success and remains a top priority to Wayne County Community College District with our faculty, staff, students, and communities. All of our events from faculty selection, faculty orientation day, in-services, and all of our community focused programs carry a message of completion to the attendees and how important their support of this cause remains.

We hope you find this new update informative and we will continue to keep you informed of our new and exciting efforts as the fall term unfolds!

Sincerely,
Dr. Ronald Harkness,
District Provost, Career Preparation and Campus Operations

Wayne County Community College District is honored to have one of its faculty members named as the first winner of the Michigan Occupational Deans Advisory Council Adjunct Faculty of the Year Award. This new award is meant to recognize the exceptional contributions that are made by adjunct faculty within the community colleges throughout the State of Michigan.

Marty Depowski, an instructor within the Automotive Service Technology Program, definitely deserves this award. Marty consistently exhibits creativity in learning and retention for students within the classroom by blending his instruction with hands-on practice and skill refinement in the automotive labs. Marty also leads our Youth and Adults Automotive Training Center (YAATC) initiative with Ford Motor Company and has been recognized for his instruction in the conversion of cooking oil to motor fuel. Marty is a licensed mechanic with the State of Michigan and is Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) certified in all automotive areas taught at WCCCD.

Congratulations, Marty on your well-deserved award!
NEW PROGRAM OFFERINGS HAVE STARTED AT WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT!

The Completion Agenda is about opportunities for students to choose a career that will provide them with a sustainable living wage. The addition of new programs ranging from short-term certificates to several Associate of Science Degrees this fall help our students achieve this goal. New programs offered this fall include: Artistic Welding, Bio-Medical Equipment Repair Technology, Criminal Justice, Public/Private Security, Light Rail Engineering Technology, and Sustainable Technology Specialist. Students who complete these programs will find employers eagerly looking to offer them high paying jobs.

New Career Programs…just one more way WCCCD chooses to stay on the cutting edge!

THE “I’M A COMPLETER’ CAMPAIGN OFF TO A SUCCESSFUL START!

We are excited to see that the “I’m a Completer Campaign” is off to a rousing start! Over 2,000 students have declared a Program of Study and Plan of Work. The implementation of the Degree Works software has helped to make this effort more streamlined and valuable to both students and staff. We are excited to see increased activity in this campaign as events unfold at each campus!