

READING CARNIVAL

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**INTERACTIVE PROGRAMS, STORYTELLING AND GIVEAWAYS MAKE READING FUN AT
NINTH ANNUAL WCCCD CHANCELLORS READING CARNIVAL**

**Books and Book Bag Giveaway, Interactive Activities and Face Painting to Round Out
Annual Event**

DETROIT, Mich. May 18, 2015 – Interactive programs, storytelling and exciting giveaways will be included in a day of family fun at the Wayne County Community College District's Ninth Annual Chancellor's Reading Carnival for Children. The program will be held 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 21st at WCCCD's Downtown Campus located at 1001 W. Fort St. in Detroit.

Refreshments face painting and activities round out the Reading Carnival. Books and book bags also will be given to the children, while supplies last.

The annual event is open to the public at no cost and aimed at providing a comfortable and fun environment for children in pre-K to 6th grade to get excited about reading and learning. Strong literacy skills are closely tied to academic and career success, and better quality of life.

The health, safety, and welfare of entire families are compromised by illiteracy. Illiteracy tends to be intergenerational, resulting in poor academic performance, and higher school dropout rates among school-age children in homes where caregivers cannot read.

For more information, call Priscilla Rodgers at 313-496-2510 or visit www.wcccd.edu.

About WCCCD: WCCCD, the largest urban community college in Michigan, is a multi-campus district with five campus locations, the Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center and the Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE), serving 72,000 credit and non-credit students annually across 32 cities and townships, and more than 500 square miles. WCCCD is committed to the continued development of new programs, workforce transformation, hosting community-based training sessions, and improving student facilities and services. www.wcccd.edu .

