

# Chancellor's Weekend Memo



Weekend Memo 1410 September 9-15, 2023



## Mayor's Workforce Development Board Meeting

Agenda items discussed included:

- Regional Workforce Collaborative Report
- Career and Education Advisory Council Report
- City of Detroit Housing
- GDYT Summer 2023 Outcomes



Best Practices in Community Colleges Meeting with the Finance Team



I met with Dr. Gunder Myran to discuss Continuous Quality Improvement initiatives.



## WCCCD Community Resource Guide

Connecting students with key information on 'Where to Turn' and how to access information in WCCCD's large service area is an essential element in the District's student support eco-system to supporting student retention and student success. Staff reviewed the 2023-24 *Where to Turn: Community Resource Guide* curated with The Information Center.



# Welcome Week

The District was pleased to celebrate “Welcome Week” at each of its campuses. Students participated in engaging and educational activities and received essential tools to become successful students.

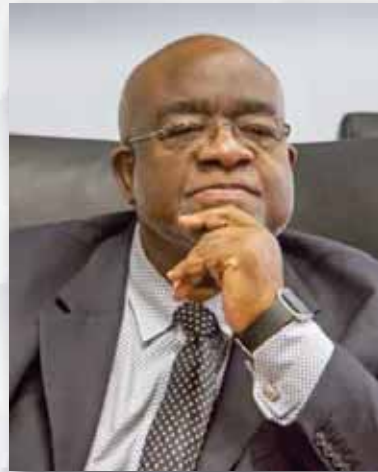
Information included the Fall 2023 calendar, program offerings, university partners provided transfer opportunity information, and students were able to learn about resources available.



# Welcome Week



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## Chancellor's Strategic Imperatives for the Long-Term Future of WCCCD

My Strategic Imperative presented this week calls for the continued transformation of WCCCD's use of technology and broad knowledge about student learning, degree completion, teaching effectiveness, personnel, programs, services, finances, facilities, and other institutional elements as the basis for effective decision-making. This strategic imperative is defining and transforming data resources to improve how we collaborate across District divisions and campuses to get things done. Our emerging knowledge management strategies will continue advancements in (1) data-informed decision-making, (2) institutional transparency initiatives within and outside of the college, (3) promote continuous improvement and strategic initiative evaluation. This strategic imperative is stated as follows: Retool knowledge management, data sources and usage processes to align with best practices and trends in knowledge-based systems focused on protocols that embed data sources, continuous improvement, technology information services and resources for institutional effectiveness. This imperative's links to strategic focus Operational Effectiveness and Advancement, Goal 3 (Promotion of Operational Systems).

The strategic imperative outlined above is designed to advance WCCCD's decision-making and stakeholder engagement model. It is important to note that the emergence of generative artificial intelligence (AI), such as ChatGPT, and other advanced technologies will transform WCCCD initiatives related to knowledge management and resource usage to inform continuous improvement. It is vital for faculty and staff to learn how to use innovative resources or even re-envision a "new normal" for knowledge acquisition and management at all levels. We must all truly become "future thinkers" as we learn how to use AI resources for curriculum effectiveness and administrative business to benefit our students, faculty, and staff, while maintaining authentic experiences at each level of the college.



## Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center



### Connecting the Pointes Meeting

Denis Karic and Trustee Roy Edmonds represented the District at the quarterly Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce Connecting the Pointes meeting.

### Grosse Pointe League of Womens Voters

The Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center hosted the Grosse Pointe League of Womens Voters candidate forum.



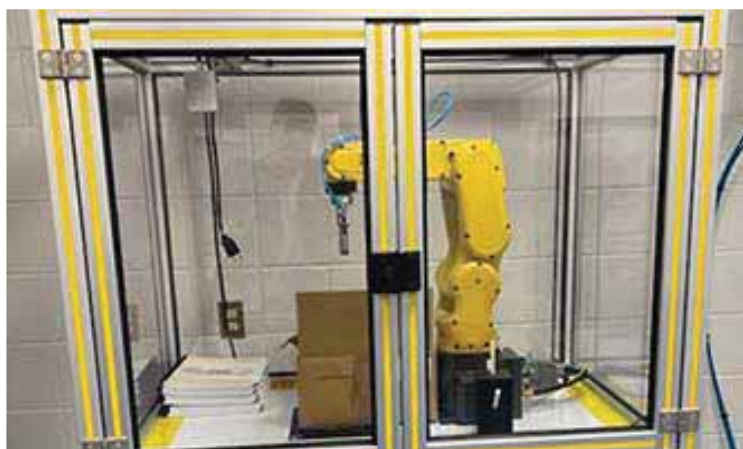
### Toastmasters Workshop

### Student Success !



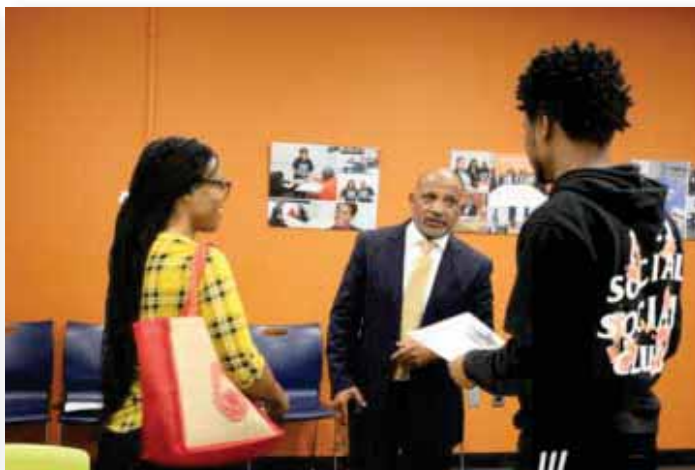
# Division of Workforce and Economic Development

## Preparing for the first day of Mechatronic classes!





## Division of Workforce and Economic Development



In collaboration with DABO (Detroit Association of Black Organizations), staff from the Division of Workforce and Economic Development hosted an informational session for students interested in the skilled trades.





WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



**MICHIGAN INSTITUTE for  
PUBLIC SAFETY**  
E D U C A T I O N



### **Wayne County Homeland Security – Local Emergency Planning Committee Meeting**

The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE) hosted the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) meeting presented by Wayne County Homeland Security. This group sets policy for Hazardous Materials within Wayne County.



### **Marathon Emergency Response Team Training**

MIPSE hosted Marathon Petroleum's Emergency Response Team training course on fire tactics. This training course consisted of instruction to educate driver/operators who are responsible for operating apparatus equipped with fire pumps and on flowing foam.



# The School of Continuing Education

## Weekly Continuing Education Enrollment

August 28- September 9, 2023

Curtis L. Ivery  
Downtown Campus  
302

Downriver Campus  
513

Eastern Campus  
312

Northwest Campus  
801

Ted Scott Campus  
312

Mary Ellen Stempfle  
University Center  
45

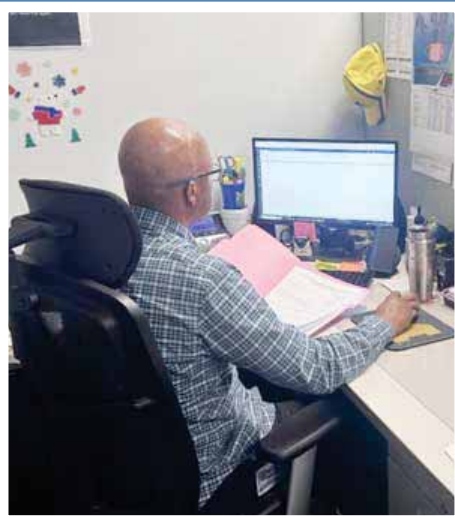
## Brown and Juanita C. Ford Art Gallery

The School of Continuing Education hosted the opening reception of the Student Capstone Photography Exhibit at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus.





# Division of Student Services



## A D M I S S I O N S

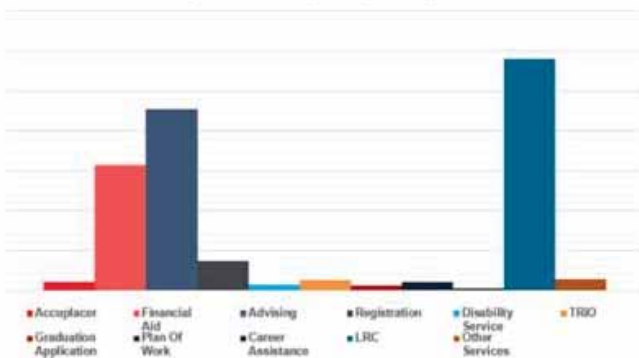
The Division of Student Services continues to mail out degrees for the Spring 2023 semester.



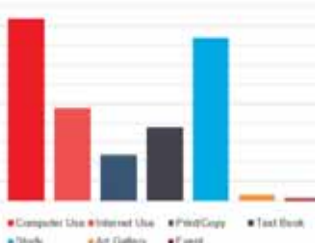
## R E C O R D S

Staff continue to assist guest students with admission.

Advising Summary Report by Services



LRC- Learning Resource Centers



District-wide Advising Report: Top Services Highlights



Staff continue to assist international students with meeting academic requirements.

The District-wide Advising Report highlights the utilization of various student support services across the District. The numbers indicate a high level of engagement with services such as advising, financial aid, registration, and the Learning Resource Center.

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# Division of Student Services



## Welcome Back TRiO Students!

Being successful in college can be a challenge. TRiO SSS targets students at WCCCD who are considered low income, first generation, or disabled to help them succeed in achieving their academic goals.



## Veteran Affairs

First time student Jalen Richards Robinson enrolled in Fall 2023 courses. Mr. Richards Robinson is a military veteran majoring in Associates of Arts as well as a Digital Photography Certification.

## Federal Work-Study Program



The FWS Program continues to provide information to our students. We are geared towards orientating and organizing students for the workforce through real workplace situations and examples.



## Division of Student Services

# Student Clubs!

American Chemical Society (ACS)

As You Go (ASG)

Beta Beta Beta (Tribeta) Club  
(Biological Honor Society)

Board Gaming Club

Console Gaming Society

Criminal Justice Club

Cybersecurity Club

Foreign Language Club

International Student Association

Kingsman Chess Club

Muslim Student Organization (MSO)

National Society of Black Engineers  
(NSBE)

Phi Theta Kappa (PTK)  
International Honor Society

Student Executive Council (SEC)

Student Nurse Association  
(Nursing Club)

Veteran's Organization



Phi Theta Kappa officers, members, and advisors attended the Leadership Officer Training.



Representatives from the Student Executive Council, Phi Theta Kappa, and the Cybersecurity Club assisted students during Welcome Week at the campuses.



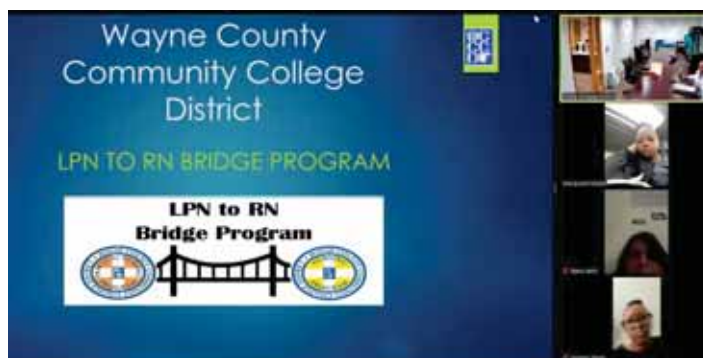
## Student Executive Council

# Pantry Food

# Division of Educational Affairs



Students in the Practical Nursing Education Program assessing "patients" in the lab.



Prospective students participated in a virtual meeting to discuss the Practical Nursing Education to RN Bridge Program.

# Division of Educational Affairs



## Teaching and Learning Center

Staff from the Division of Educational Affairs met with the Teaching and Learning Center (TLC) Committee to discuss future opportunities TLC can provide to faculty. The committee discussed new workshops, programs, educational tools, and information that can be offered for the 2023/24 academic year.



## Meeting to discuss the Science Labs

Staff met with Life Science faculty to discuss District-wide science lab updates.



## DC3C Leadership Council and Compact

Members of the District joined other stakeholders participating in the Detroit Regional Chamber's recent Detroit Drives Degrees meeting hosted at Lawrence Technological University this week.



## Pathway for High School Students

Staff met to discuss a possible new pathway for high school students with CompTIA certifications.



# Division of Educational Affairs



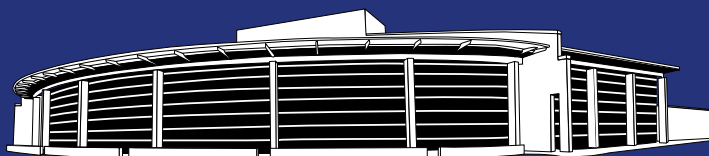
## MCCA Leadership Academy

During the first convening of the 2023-24 Michigan Community College Association (MCCA) Leadership Academy, fellows had an opportunity to learn from speakers across a range of topics including defining student success, fostering a culture of evidence, Michigan's higher education landscape, as well as policy and advocacy. Lansing Community College (LCC) hosted the event and featured speakers from LCC, MCCA, Oakland Community College, Michigan Association of State Universities, and Michigan Independent Colleges and Universities.



Cleary University hosted an information session at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus, offering WCCCD staff an accelerated pathway toward earning a Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA). There's still time to join an upcoming information session; more details to follow. The Fall semester begins September 25, 2023.





WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
HEINZ C. PRECHTER EDUCATIONAL AND *Performing Arts Center*

The Heinz C. Prechter Educational and Performing Arts Center hosted a high-energy, finely-tuned live stage-show performance based on the original classic 80's movie The Blues Brothers! Russ and Brian took us back to the film that brought these characters to life.



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# CURTIS L. IVERY HWECC

Health & Wellness  
Education Center



Staff participated in Welcome Week activities at the Health and Wellness Education Center.



The HWECC hosted the first session of the Fall 2023 Vibrant Health Workshop series, focusing on nutrition.



Members are able to relax the body and reduce stress in the restorative yoga class.



The Women's Wildcat's basketball team is preparing for a successful season with cardio training.



## Division of Human Resources

**Take advantage of these great HR benefit Programs!**

### Tuition Assistance

As part of the employment benefit, the District offers to its part and full-time regular employees a Tuition Assistance Program. This benefit allows employees to further their education or enhance their skills through various professional development and educational opportunities.

The Tuition Assistance form can be found at [www.wcccd.edu](http://www.wcccd.edu) under the HR section.



### Tuition Waiver

The District offers to its part and full-time regular employees, their spouses and dependent children (under the age of 25), a Tuition Waiver Program. This benefit allows participants to further their education or enhance their skills through various professional development and educational opportunities at WCCCD at no cost.



# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



The District's Police Authority leadership staff attended a workshop at Wayne State University with a central focus on officer-involved incidents. During this program, significant issues related to officer-involved shootings were thoroughly examined.

## Scholarship Committee

The Scholarship Committee has been hard at work finalizing the awardees for 2023/24.





## *Building Community Relationships*



Denis Karic, Dr. Charmaine Johnson and Armenalda Karic represented the District at the Ferris State University's night out at Jimmy John's Stadium.



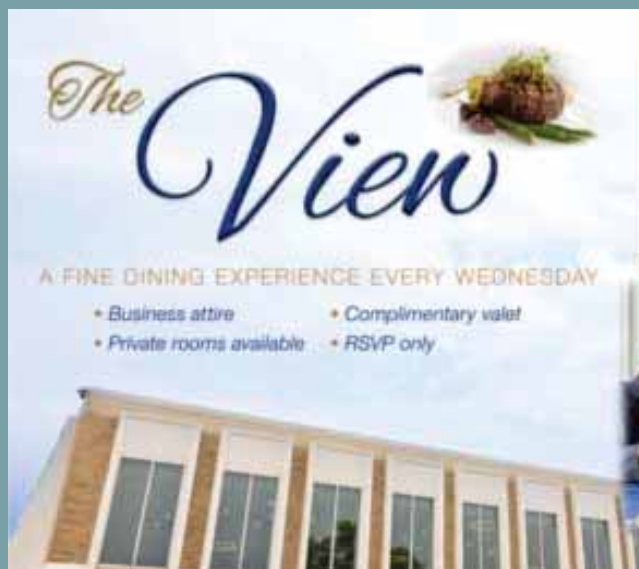
Matt Green, Mike Brandt, and Ashley LaPlace attended the Homeland Security Investigations seminar.



Dr. Fidelis D'Cunha participated in the Interfaith Leadership Council of Greater Detroit's Education Committee Meeting.

Dr. Yvette Anderson participated in the Detroit Branch NAACP Political Education Committee meeting.





## Community Luncheon Every Wednesday

The Northwest Campus Culinary Arts and Hospitality Center hosted its weekly Wednesday Luncheon, "The View." The View is an opportunity for staff to receive feedback while community members get a chance to experience a wonderful meal cooked by Chef Lorenzo Spratling and his team.

"What a great and unique dining experience! Good service and high quality food. It really opens up a NEW level of involvement for community participation at WCCCD." ~ Eunice Peek



"What a great opportunity for our young people to develop culinary and job readiness skills. The crusted salmon was scrumptious!" ~ Heaster Wheeler

"WCCCD has a room with a 'view' that is second to none and a culinary experience that is world class. Delicious! I am happy to spread the word about 'The View' as a stellar venue and culinary team." ~ Kay Douglas



"Thank you for inviting me to The View. The dining experience was professional and the food was excellent!" ~ Janice Winfrey



## Data Closet Re-engineering Project Curtis L. Ivery District Office

The Data Closet Re-engineering Project has resumed at the Curtis L. Ivery District Office with the goal of standardizing all data closets District-wide. This standardization includes new data cabinets, cabling, switching, and cooling systems. This week, new category six cables have been run to all data locations on the first floor to ensure a high-speed wired and wireless connection is available to all endpoints. Next steps include:

- Data cabinet installation
- Installation of new Cisco switches
- Cutover to new infrastructure



## District-wide Technical Support



# DIVERSITY EQUITY & INCLUSION

## Virtual Intercultural Conversations

# שנה טובה

## HAPPY ROSH HASHANAH

At this week's virtual Intercultural Conversations, we discussed Rosh Hashanah, a Jewish Festival that celebrates the Jewish New Year.



We began discussing Hispanic Heritage Month which will run from September 15 - October 15.

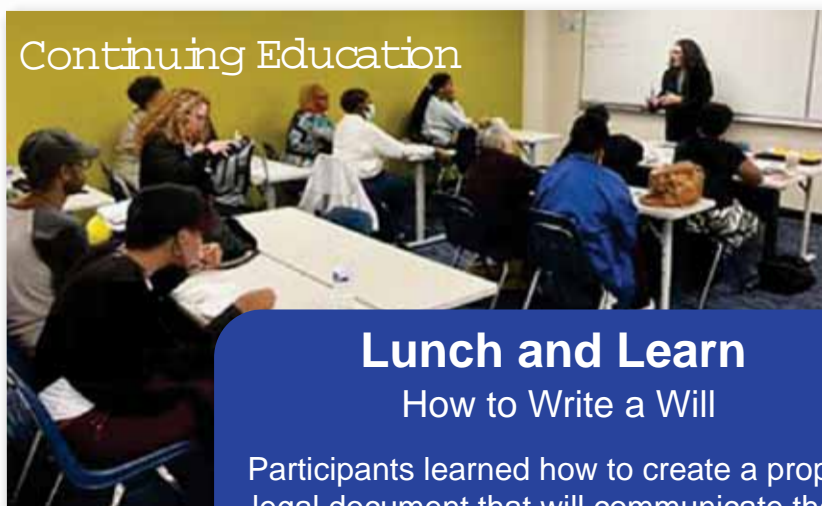
# NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

# Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus



## National Mural Arts Summit

Artists from the top ten cities that support mural creations came together to discuss strategies, cooperative creation, and municipal partnerships as it pertains to the artistic vision of mural artistry.



## Lunch and Learn

### How to Write a Will

Participants learned how to create a proper legal document that will communicate their wishes in a clear and concise manner.



## City of Detroit Information Technology Outreach Bid Seminar

The City of Detroit hosted a seminar designed to encourage local IT contractors to bid on municipal contracts.



## ThursdayB4Saturday Meeting

# Downriver Campus



## Wayne Metro CAA First Step Violence Safety Training

The Downriver Campus hosted Wayne Metro CAA First Step Violence Safety Training. This training was held by First Step experts who delved into the dynamics of domestic and sexual violence including the cycle of violence, types of abuse, red flags, and consent.

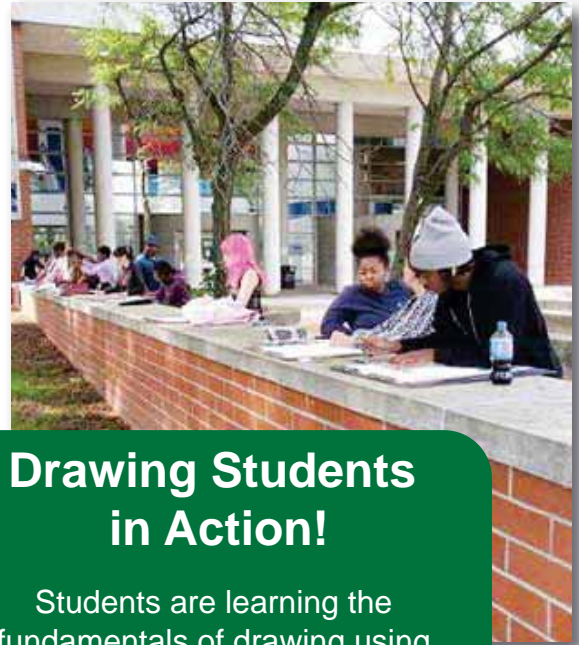


## Virtual Faculty Selection

The Downriver Campus hosted the virtual adjunct faculty selection for Spring 2024.



# Eastern Campus



## Drawing Students in Action!

Students are learning the fundamentals of drawing using the outdoors as scenery.



## Construction Trades Training Program

Students are learning how to properly support and install a subfloor.



## Learning Resource Center

Students used the resources in the Learning Resource Center to participate in their online classes and complete homework assignments.

# Northwest Campus



## Health and Wellness Fair for the Community

The Northwest Campus hosted a Health and Wellness Fair, providing resources to more than 100 participants.



## Azal Benne Lockett Foundation

The Azal Benne Lockett Foundation held a prayer breakfast with more than 125 members.



## Detroit Police Department

The Detroit Police Department held a promotional ceremony for officers that passed their lieutenants and sergeants exams.

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## Continuing Education Meeting



## Joe Louis Greenway Meeting

# Ted Scott Campus



## Continuing Education

The Ted Scott Campus hosted the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Meeting.

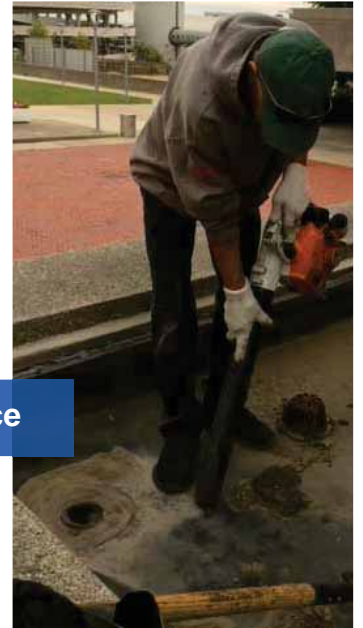


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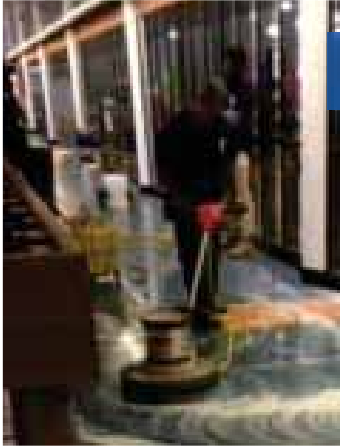
Paws with a Cause held its puppy obedience training class at the Ted Scott Campus.



# Facilities Management



Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus Maintenance



Testing electrical power at the Eastern Campus



Bushes were trimmed alongside the entranceway of the Ted Scott Campus.



The Northwest Campus receives new tables.



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## Mission

WCCCD's mission is to empower individuals, businesses, and communities to achieve their higher education and career advancement goals through excellent, accessible, culturally diverse, and globally competitive programs and services.

## Vision Statement

WCCCD will be known as a premier community college and innovator in the areas of high quality academic and career education, talent development in support of regional economic growth, diversity and inclusion, and technological advancement.

## WCCCD's Values Statements:

- Supporting excellence in teaching and learning
- Honoring diversity
- Serving the common good
- Being accountable
- Operating with integrity



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