



**Furquan Ahmed**  
Senior Vice Chancellor  
and Northwest Campus President

Mr. Ahmed welcomed the audience noting that the relationships between WCCCD and the community fuel the District's success in providing world-class and relevant education to the next generation of leaders.

## Spring 2025

### Advisory Committee Breakfast

*Navigating Careers and Workforce  
Through Guided Pathways*

More than 200 leaders representing diverse industries participated in the Spring 2025 Advisory Committee Breakfast Meeting held in the Culinary Arts and Hospitality Center at the Northwest Campus.



**Dr. Johnesa Hodge**  
Vice Chancellor of  
Institutional Effectiveness  
and Research

Dr. Hodge highlighted the importance of regularly conducting student data and characteristics for career pathways and completion of degrees in short-term credentials. She shared CTE completion data, the role IE plays in data analysis for student success and discussed the importance of the advisory committee survey.



"WCCCD is poised to deliver to its students the most comprehensive Automotive Technician Program in the country. This exciting, multi-automaker collaborative will help create a pipeline to sustain careers of internal combustion engine technicians, while solidifying a future for EV technicians."

~ John Graves, Chairman of Rainbow PUSH  
Automotive Project

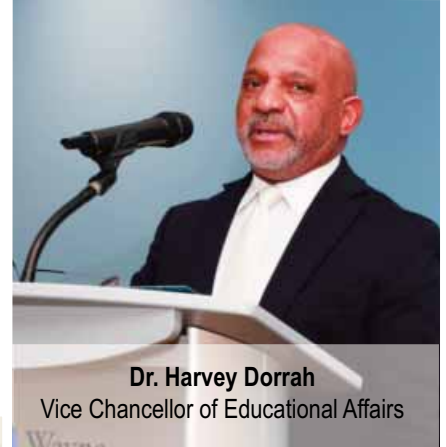


**Dennis Archer Jr., Esq.,**  
Chairman and CEO,  
Sixteen42 Ventures

Mr. Archer, Jr., spoke about the importance of forming a culture of service in organizations that is curious to receive candid feedback. He also noted that relationship building is key and that service should not be a simple series of transactions.







Dr. Dorrah discussed improving curriculum and instruction, as well as communications and media collaboration and partnerships.







## WCCCD Receives Community Impact Recognition Award

WCCCD was honored two awards, the Community Impact Recognition Award from the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority (AKA) and the Spirit of Detroit Award during the 117th Founder's Day Luncheon. The awards, presented by AKA President Crystal Sewell and Detroit City Council Member Angela Calloway, were accepted on behalf of the District by Dr. Yvette Anderson.



## Ceremonies and Rituals Committee Meeting

The Ceremonies and Ritual Committee is busy preparing for Commencement, Student Honors Convocation, Phi Theta Kappa and the Nursing Pinning Ceremony. We truly appreciate the committee's ongoing dedication and efforts in ensuring that each program reflects the academic success of our students.

### 2025 Commencement Ceremony

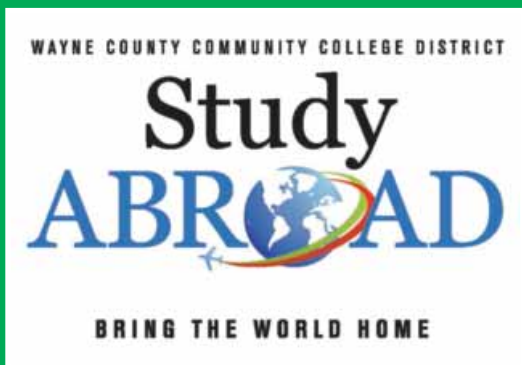
June 7, 2025  
The Masonic Temple

**Phi Theta Kappa Induction**  
May 2, 2025  
Downriver Campus

**Nursing Pinning Ceremony**  
May 9, 2025  
Northwest Campus

**Honors Convocation**  
June 4, 2025  
Downriver Campus





## Thailand Bamboo School

During WCCCD's Study Abroad educational experience to Thailand's Bamboo School in Fall 2024, our students were so moved by the condition of the children at the Bamboo School, that they rolled up their sleeves, grabbed the wheel barrows and shovels and began to perform community service. They moved concrete; shoveled dirt, and some even helped with carpentry. "The biggest need we have is arms to love the children physically," said Catherine Ruth Riley-Bryan, director of the institute. She said the school, which is celebrating its 24th founder's day, has seen more than 700 students come through. Each child has a story to tell. "One graduated as a doctor, 18 as nurses, 21 as teachers; four have started their own village orphanage, and eight have gone on to become pastors."



WCCCD's Study Abroad Program provides students with:

*Quality academic experiences*

*Cultural immersion and exchange*

*Lifelong service learning*

*Character development*





# *On the Move...*

## Building Community Partnerships



Trustee  
Roy  
Edmonds

Trustee Roy Edmonds and staff represented the District at the Grosse Pointe Community Luncheon. (Pictured with Senator Kevin Hertel)

Staff represented the District at the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber's Legislative Business Forum.



Jamila Sudduth and Yvonne Parson attended the Inside Out 2025 Partner Orientation at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Dr. CharMaine Hines, and members of the Career Education Advisory Council subcommittee including partners from the City of Detroit's Mayor's Workforce, Detroit @ Work, Detroit Public Schools Community District, and Wayne State University are working on strategies to address students transitioning into institutions of higher education to abate enrollment and population transition cliffs.



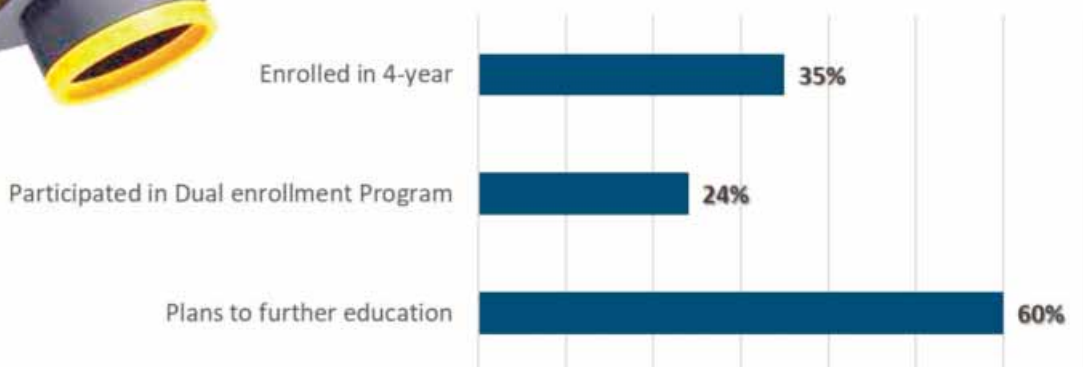


# Institutional Effectiveness

The Division of Institutional Effectiveness (IE) preparations for the upcoming 2024-2025 graduating class are underway. IE continues to gather insight from graduates through the Graduate Exit Survey and review trends from previous completers. More recently, IE revisited it's approach to increase response rates during campus graduation application meetings. The collaboration between the campus staff and student services team allowed early collection of responses onsite from the upcoming graduating class.



Graduate Responses





# Women's Empowerment Panel



**ANGELA MOORE**  
Mental Wellness &  
Integrative Health  
Strategist  
Speaker & Consultant



**CHRISTY McDONALD**  
TV Journalist,  
Moderator, Speaker  
Founder, Sammac  
Communications Inc.



**JESSICA ANDERSON**  
Creator & Founder of  
FitFabFlawless LLC



**LISA HOWZE**  
Speaker, Author, CPA,  
Career Strategist  
The Lisa Howze  
Experience



**MARIYAH SAIFUDDIN**  
LLC CEO and Co-Founder  
Innovative Solution  
Partners



**MARSHALLE FAVORS**  
Founder,  
Trinity Films  
Entertainment Group

The Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus hosted a Women's Empowerment Panel in honor of Women's History Month. The panel featured inspiring discussions and personal stories aimed at empowering and uplifting women. Participants received valuable insights and achieving work-life balance, overcoming challenges, embracing fearlessness, and maintaining both mental and physical well-being.



**HAPPENING NOW!**



## Network Upgrade Phase I



The team met to discuss the continuation of Phase I of the District-wide network switch and wireless access point upgrade project. They reviewed the progress made so far, identified any outstanding tasks, and coordinated next steps to ensure a smooth rollout across all sites.

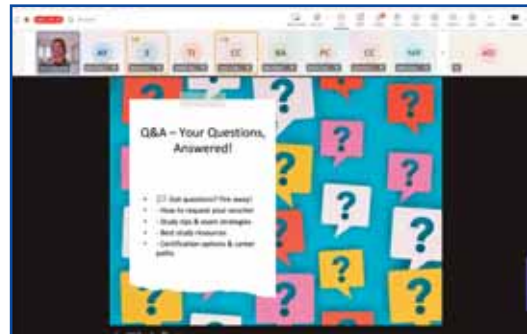
The IT team met with representatives from CrowdStrike to review recent updates to their operating model and to discuss details related to the upcoming renewal. The team also discussed current usage, future needs, and potential adjustments to ensure continued alignment with the WCCCD's cybersecurity strategy.



## Connecting Minority Communities (CMC) Grant Project Update

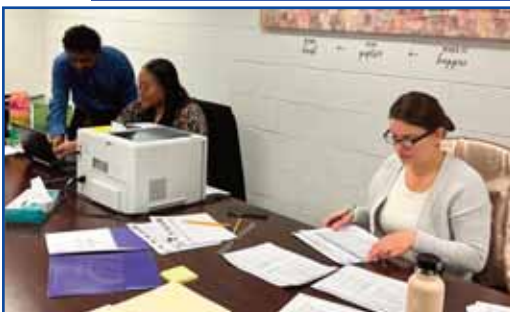


CMC Grant Program Promotional Signage



Digital Literacy Workshop

## District-wide Technical Support



**Ted Scott Campus**  
*Nursing Faculty Selection Support*



**Eastern Campus**  
*Student ID Printer Upgrade*



**Ted Scott Campus**  
*GIRLS GET-IT Event*





## Division of Student Services



### Student Success Center

The Student Success Center is contacting guest students to take advantage of the Summer semester and earn transferable credits while enrolled at their primary institution. Guest students can take advantage of multiple summer terms: Term I starts May 19, and Term II starts June 24, 2025.

### Records

Staff is preparing for the upcoming Summer 2025 semester.



### Student Orientation

All new students are required to participate in a student orientation. This orientation will specifically address the information and resources necessary for students studying at WCCCD.



# Division of Student Services

## Dual Enrollment Program

Staff met to discuss the upcoming Summer Semester's campus tours for Dual Enrollment.



Dual enrollment students are completing their graduation applications.



## Phi Theta Kappa (PTK)

Phi Theta Kappa's Alpha Upsilon Zeta Chapter is set for the 2025 PTK Catalyst trip to Kansas City, Missouri.

We're proud to support our current Regional Officer and former Chapter President, Tuesday Dixon, in her campaign for International Officer.







## Community Eid Celebration

The Northwest Campus was pleased to host a Community Eid Celebration, bringing together students, faculty and members of the community. Eid marks the end of Ramadan, a month of fasting, spiritual reflection and charitable giving.







## Division of Workforce and Economic Development

### Student Success ~ Construction Trades Training Program

Campbell Construction Company has employed five of our recent graduates from the Construction Trades Training Program. Pictured are the graduates working on a new Campbell Construction Company project.



### Commercial Driver's License Certificate Distribution







## Figure Skating Yoga Class

The HWEC partnered with Figure Skating in Detroit to offer a yoga class to the skaters.



## Detroit Riverfront Conservancy Training

The HWEC hosted the first in a series of training sessions for volunteers with the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy.

## Stretch & Recovery Class

This class focuses on stretches which help with tight and sore muscles, especially targeting the areas which can be causing problems to other parts of the body such as the back, hips and neck.





Staff from the Division of Human Resources (HR) participated in a webinar on *Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) Compliance*. This webinar provided attendees with new laws and regulations regarding determining employee eligibility and managing FMLA leaves. It also discussed other topics, such as Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) policies, so that District policies and practices must be in compliance with regulatory and legal policies.





# ***DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE***

## ***OFFICE OF FACILITIES PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT***

The Office of Facilities Planning and Management serves the District by developing and maintaining clean, safe, functional, and attractive campuses. This office has a diverse range of functions. Some include:



**PLANNING AND  
CONSTRUCTION**



**MECHANICAL  
SYSTEMS  
MAINTENANCE**



**PROPERTY  
MANAGEMENT**



**MANAGEMENT OF  
EXTERIOR AND  
INTERIOR ASSETS**



**STUDENT  
INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS**

### **TED SCOTT CAMPUS**

Restrooms Renovation



### **CURTIS L. IVERY DOWNTOWN CAMPUS**

New monitors were  
installed on the campus



### **CURTIS L. IVERY HEALTH AND WELLNESS EDUCATION CENTER**

New Lockers Installed





## Division of Educational Affairs

### dotEDU Live Session



Dr. Tynisha N. McGee attended the dotEDU Live: Latest on Dismantling of the ED, International Students, and Budget Issues sponsored by the American Council on Education.

### Phase 2 Website Update Meeting



Educational Affairs staff met with Professor Stacha Floyd to discuss proposed Phase 2 website updates for the Teaching and Learning Center landing page.



### Virtual D3C3 Meeting

Staff from the Division of Educational Affairs participated in a virtual D3C3 AIR Evaluation Meeting.

## WCCCD Celebrates Community College Month



WCCCD is celebrating Community College Month throughout April as we recognize the District's vital role that community colleges play in shaping students' futures, strengthening communities, and expanding access to education. Access to an affordable and comprehensive variety of academic, career and workforce development programs including as well as continuing education and educational centers in the heart of our 32 cities and township communities.





## VIRTUAL INTERCULTURAL CONVERSATIONS

This week's virtual Intercultural Conversations Series focused on a variety of topics including:

- Arab American Heritage Month presentation by Shaily Dey
- Discussion of Chaldean Arab Americans with Dr. Mona Hanna Attisha
- The Flint Water Crisis by Professor Bruce Ewen
- Autism presentation by Nijhum Chakraborty



## Senior Wellness – Silver Circle

We are proud to have recently formed a partnership with Woodbridge Manor to expand our health offerings for seniors. The Senior Living Facility will be providing Zumba Gold courses. Zumba offers numerous health benefits for seniors, such as improved cardiovascular health, enhanced balance and coordination and increased strength. The Silver Circle Program is dedicated to identifying the needs of Seniors in our community and providing opportunities to address them.



### Weekly Continuing Education Enrollment

March 24 - 29, 2025

Curtis L. Ivery  
Downtown Campus  
498

Eastern Campus  
264

Ted Scott Campus  
147

Downriver Campus  
130

Northwest Campus  
4,033

Mary Ellen Stempfle  
University Center  
TBD



# DR. RANDALL MILLER'S CORNER



*Shining the Light on...*

## Bruce Ewen

Bruce Ewen started at WCCCD in 1971. Looking at his background prior to his time at the College makes it more understandable why he enjoys teaching so much and why he has so many life experiences to share.

Professor Ewen was a member of the United Steel Workers in Buffalo, N.Y., and he worked as a factory worker. He also worked there as a paralegal and as a community organizer. He put his degree in Economics from the University of Wisconsin to good use while working at the Department of Transportation as an economic analyst. Those experiences have helped provide countless 'real life experiences' to share in the classroom with his Introduction to Economics students.

He credits WCCCD for the opportunity over the past five years to showcase people who have made multicultural contributions throughout history. Together they share some results of their research highlighting international cultures during their Wednesday lectures conducted virtually. Mr. Ewen also attends interfaith reflection site visits with faculty, staff, and community partners to cultural sites, museums, mosques, temples, and churches throughout the Detroit area.

Professor Ewen is growing and stretching himself to learn about international musical styles for his lectures. He is also learning to speak Arabic, and he is showcasing historical figures as he does more research on different cultures. He even uses Artificial Intelligence to help "summarize and organize his research and readings."

As he is now an octogenarian, he is thankful for the opportunities he has at WCCCD. He loves seeing his intellectual bandwidth expand through the opportunity he has each and every week.



# Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus



Zeta Phi Beta  
Children's Tea and  
Fashion Show

The Children's Tea was a fun and educational event designed to teach children the art of social grace, fashion, and proper manners.



Promotional  
Solutions Team

Staff assembling  
promotional folders  
for community  
outreach.



## Wednesday B4 Saturday Meeting

Staff met to review upcoming Saturday and weekly programs.



## Study Abroad Education Information Table

Students received information regarding the Summer 2025 Study Abroad Experience to Panama City, Panama.

## Lunch & Learn Workshops

### Sneaker Restoration and Customization

Monday April 7, 2025  
12:00 noon  
Curtis L. Ivery Downtown  
Campus #218

### How to Grow Your Veggies

Tuesday, April 15, 2025  
12:00 noon  
Curtis L. Ivery Downtown  
Campus #218



## Downriver Campus



### Woman's Expo and Marketplace

The Downriver Campus hosted the Woman's Expo and Marketplace, offering an opportunity for women in business to showcase their products.



### AARP Monthly Chapter Meeting

The Downriver Campus hosted the Wayne County Heritage Chapter meeting of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP). During this meeting, members discussed the importance of service dogs.



### Career Program Partnership

Staff met with Judge Victoria Shackelford and Matt Keyes, Program Activity Director for the Taylor 23rd District Court, to discuss partnership opportunities. Career Program Partnership is a court-ordered treatment program for substance abuse. They discussed various programs, including Addiction Studies, Mental Health, Automotive, Business, Logistics, HVAC, CIS, and Accounting.



### Wayne County Health, Human, and Veteran Services Baby Safety Extravaganza

This program educated caregivers on safe sleeping habits to prevent infant deaths and reduce the risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS).





## Downriver Campus

### Gibraltar Fire Department Training

The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE) hosted the Gibraltar Fire Department for training. The session included training on the car fire simulator, incident command, ladder search and rescue, and water supply. This hands-on experience was crucial for developing essential firefighting skills.



### Fire Practical Training

MIPSE hosted William D. Ford firefighter students for a fire practical training focused on methods of knot tying and salvage tarp techniques used in fire emergencies.





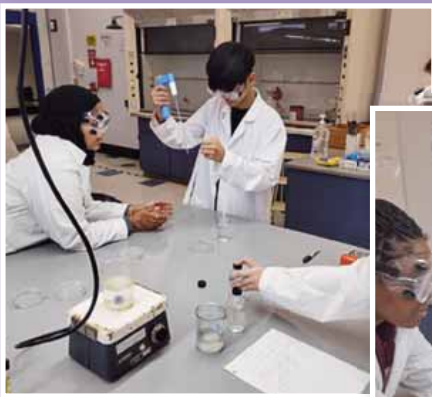


## Eastern Campus



### *What If? Workshop*

Monica Morgan, a renowned International Photojournalist, former WCCCD student, and instructor invited attendees to dream bigger, challenge their boundaries, and to explore the infinite possibilities that emerge when courage guides your steps. Through her lens, she has captured history and shared her stories.



Microbiology students completed the standard plate count experiment.



Dr. Peter Sutliff labeled models for students to identify during a moving lab midterm.

## Biology



### Campus Student Services Action Plan Meeting





## Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center

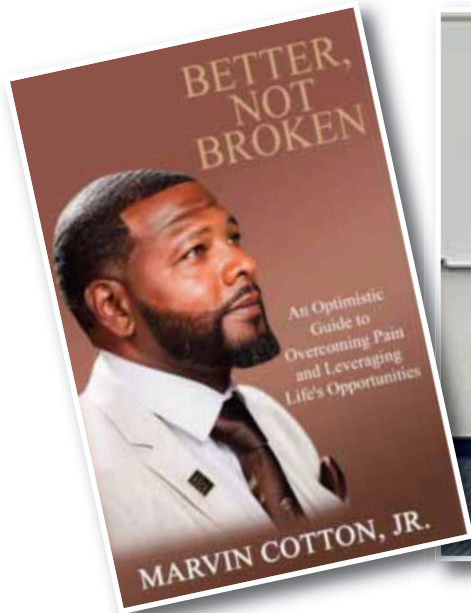
### Diverse Learners Program

The Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center and the School of Continuing Education Diverse Learners Program, in partnership with Michael B's, serves young adults with special needs, helping bridge the gap between high school and adulthood. Currently, students are taking courses in the Art of Cake Decorating, Watercolor Painting, and Photography. Each class fosters creativity, builds practical skills, and promotes independence, empowering students as they explore career possibilities at WCCCD in a supportive environment.





# Northwest Campus



## Family Assistance for Renaissance Men (FARM)

Marvin Cotton Jr. shared his story with students in the FARM program. Mr. Cotton served more than 19 years of his life in the Michigan Department of Corrections for a wrongful conviction, which he was exonerated for on October 1, 2020.

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## Detroit City Planning Commission Meeting

The Northwest Campus hosted the Detroit City Planning Commission in partnership with Director Todd Marcell and City Planner Kimani Jeffrey.

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## Mary Mahoney Professional Nurses Association Meeting



# Ted Scott Campus



## Community Partnerships

The Ted Scott Campus hosts Forgotten Harvest twice a month. Community members from all over Western Wayne County pick up essentials to help maintain a healthy diet at no cost.

## Redesigned Academic and Career Program Board

Ted Scott staff have redesigned its program board. This board lists every program that WCCCD offers. Each program has a QR link to the program page on the WCCCD website. This way students are sure to get the most up-to-date information regarding the career, classes needed and how to apply to the college.



## Insurance Fundamentals Seminar

The Ted Scott Campus hosted State Farm Agent Jackie Davis-Betserai's Beyond Policies: Insurance Foundations and Focused Seminar.





# Chancellor's Weekend Memo

## 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

