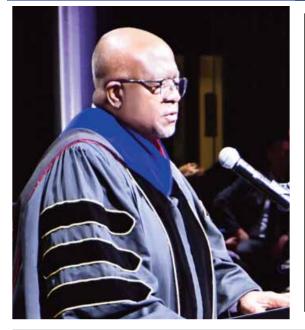


# **55th Annual Commencement Ceremony**



"It is my pleasure to honor our graduates on such a memorable occasion. As the 55th class to graduate from WCCCD, you are entering the world at a time when higher education and training in a specific field is more important than ever. You have set the stage for a bright future and have the ability to create a better world for yourself and others." ~Dr. Curtis Ivery



Keynote Speaker Victoria Christopher Murray, Author





2025 Class Representative Wenoia K. Clark





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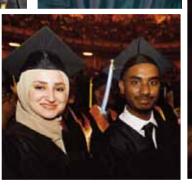


























# Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center



# Partnership with GVSU Strengthens Region's Workforce in Key Areas

We were pleased to host Grand Valley State University (GVSU) for a signing ceremony. The partnership with GVSU establishes seamless transfer pathways that will significantly expand opportunities for WCCCD students pursuing bachelor's degrees.



To read the press release, you may visit the college's website at www.wcccd.edu/district-news/agreement-between-gvsu-wcccd-will-strengthen-regions-workforce-in-key-areas.



### Mayor's Workforce Development Board Meeting

I participated in the Mayor's Workforce Development Board Meeting. Some of the agenda items included the Co-Chair's Report, Executive Director's Report and the ARPA Closeout Report.

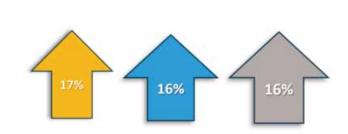


# Institutional Effectiveness

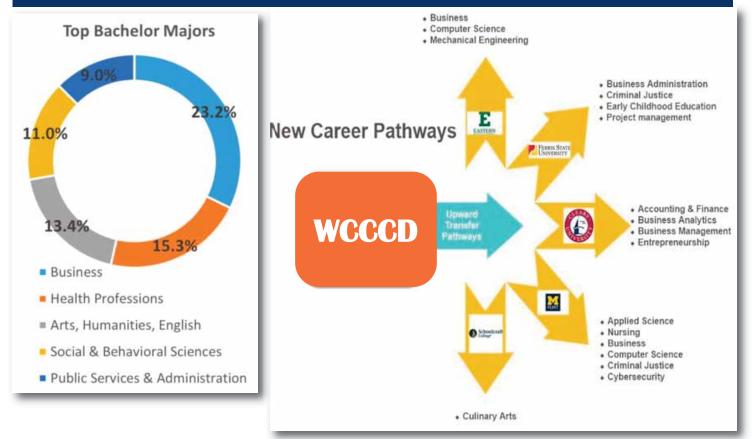
The Division of Institutional Effectiveness (IE) is currently evaluating its Key Performance Indicators to benchmark and compare with peer institutions regionally and nationally. WCCCD students attend college with different goals in mind such as to complete a degree, transfer to a four-year university, get a better job, personal enrichment, or complete an industry-recognized license or certificate. A key pathway to student success is upward transfer to a four-year college or university. The National Student Clearinghouse Research Center tracks outcomes and provides data for community colleges to guide research efforts for transfer outcomes. Below are WCCCD graduates' outcomes who transfer within six years of



### CC Graduates & Bachelor's Completion



Below are WCCCD new transfer agreements to different career pathways at four-year universities compared to community college transfers who complete Bachelor's degrees in Michigan:







# **Downriver Campus**

# Canadian Arabic Orchestra

The Canadian Arabic Orchestra from Toronto presented "Sounds from Iraq" with guest singer Hasan Tamim at the Heinz C. Prechter Educational and Performing Arts Center.



# **Downriver Campus**

As part of the Bridge to Success Campus Tour Program, local high school students and their parents toured the Downriver Campus. They learned about program offerings including the Emergency Medical Technology and Fire Protection Technology.

# Dual Enrollment





# WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT MICHIGAN INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY E D U C A T I O N

# **Downriver Campus**

### **U.S. Customs and Border Protection – Mobile Field Force Training**



The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE) hosted U.S. Customs and Border Protection for Mobile Field Force. This class consists of formations introduction and practice, gas mask familiarization/certification, riot baton/riot shield familiarization and certification, and scenario based training.

# Hazwoper Refresher Training

MIPSE hosted North American Dismantling for a Hazwoper Refresher Class. The course covers basic defensive and offensive mitigation techniques available to responders, and is primarily hands-on in nature.





# **Trenton Fire Department Training**

Members of the Trenton Fire Department participated in team training exercises that included a refresher in firefighter survival, such as search and rescue, ladders, and hose line advancement.



# Division of Administration and Finance



# Budget, Facilities and Human Resources Council Meeting Members continue to meet to discuss processes, staffing, and facilities.







Tour of the District's New Campus Support Services Call Center.



# Finance and Administration Year-End Closing Meeting

Team members of the Division of Administration and Finance met to begin timeline discussions for year-end close-out assignments. The close-out assignments are critical for finalizing all financial activities for fiscal year 2025. It ensures accurate reporting and compliance before the general ledger is closed and the new fiscal year begins.

# **Ted Scott Campus**









Early Middle College

High school students are completing their applications to enroll in WCCCD's Early Middle College.





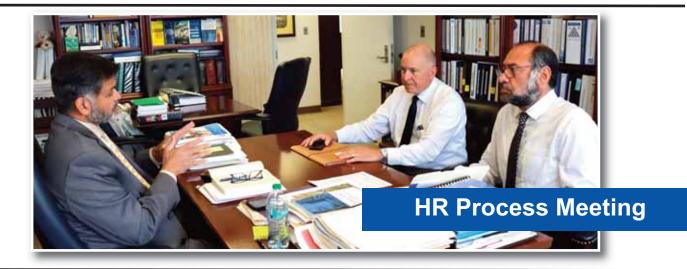
# **Division of Human Resources**

# Human Resources Open House





The Division of Human Resources (HR) hosted an Open House where participants had the opportunity to meet members of the Leadership Team and learn about the District's various program offerings.



### Human Resources Roundtable



Furquan Ahmed participated in a virtual HR Roundtable that included representatives of various community colleges throughout southeast Michigan. The group met to share best practices and discuss collaborative opportunities.



# District Police Authority

# **Police Mountain Bike School**

Officer Kenneth Moore attended the Police Mountain Bike School. This training is a rigorous 40-hour course where officers are trained to refine their bike-riding skills as first responders. This training incorporates maintenance, safety, and tactical riding, along with techniques for organizing and leading bike rodeos.

# Congratulations Officer Kenneth Moore





# **Detroit Service Learning Academy Grand Opening**

Police Authority staff attended the Security Operations at the Detroit Service Learning Academy Grand Opening Program. The program included an active shooter drill, demonstrating the capabilities of the command center and showcasing how school staff and students are trained to respond during an emergency.





# Division of Workforce and Economic Development



# **Workforce Alliances**

After attending a session at the Carpenters and Millwrights Training Combine, WCCCD's Carlos Hewitt connected with Johnny Mahaffey, a seasoned carpenter with 15 years of experience. During their meeting, Mr. Hewitt shared details about the construction training program offered through the District.



# Summer Career Exploration Opportunities

Staff met with the Detroit School of Arts leadership team to plan for the summer career exploration and tours, in partnership with General Motors (GM) youth summer participants. The team included the principal, Dr. Mayowa Reynolds, assistant principal Belvin Liles, and GM Retiree Evelyn Geary.



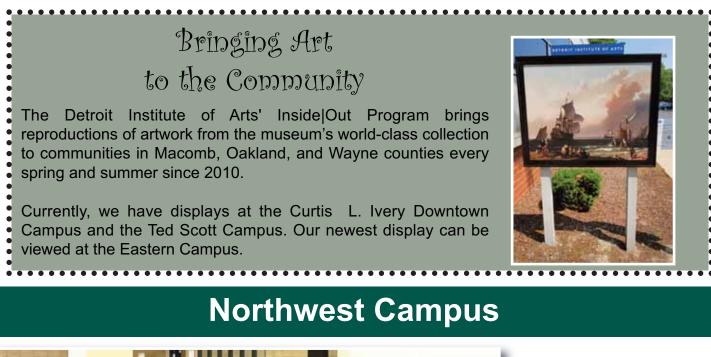
Workforce and Economic Development Alignment Meeting



Trustee James Wagner attended the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) annual meeting. He is pictured with Dr. Sheryl Theroit, Director of External Affairs.



Yvette McElroy Anderson represented the District at the 2025 Mackinac Policy Conference. She is pictured with Michigan Govenor Gretchen Whitmer.





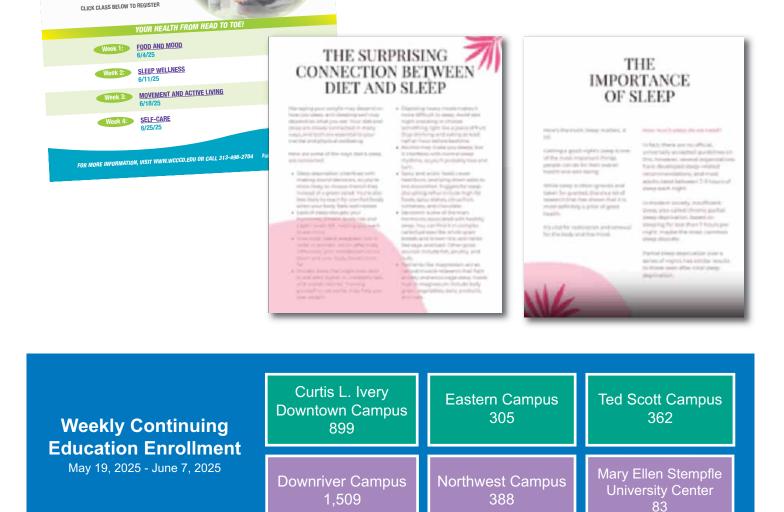
Wayne County Leadership Meeting



Wayne County Community College District

# Wellness Wednesdays This week's Wellness Wednesdays program focused on sleep wellness, the importance of maintaining a

healthy sleep schedule and the many ways poor sleep can impact your daily health. The workshop also highlighted common sleeping conditions such as insomnia and sleep apnea and how to manage them.



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In today's fast-paced world, taking timi for yourself is crucial. These workshops aim to guide you on a journey toward a healthier, balanced lifestyle.

1:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.

# BROWN AND JUANITA C. FORD ART GALLERY



Elizabeth Youngblood THE ART OF THINKING: MASTER DRAWINGS AND MORE Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus



Wayne County Community College District

The School of Continuing Education hosted the opening reception of The Art of Thinking: Master Drawings and More exhibit at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus. This exhibit features the artwork of Elizabeth Youngblood.













"I had the chance to attend the opening night of the art show "The Art of Thinking by Elizabeth Youngblood," and I can't overstate how much it meant to me. It was truly energizing to be surrounded by artists and creatives, to hear Ms. Youngblood speak about her journey in such an honest and down-to-earth way, and to feel part of a space where art is celebrated and made accessible."

~Nasim Emambaksh



# **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 OF EXTERIOR AND INTERIOR ASSETS



STUDENT INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS



EASTERN CAMPUS

Eastern Campus Fire Alarm Review



# CURTIS L. IVERY DISTRICT OFFICE

Repairs to Executive Entrance Restoration





Northwest Grounds Restoration Concrete Replacement

Northwest Grounds Restoration Grading



# **Division of Student Services**



# Records

Staff continue to assist students in navigating the new Degree Works platform and guiding them in creating personalized academic plans.

# **Office of Outreach and Recruitment**





The Dual Enrollment Team celebrated the graduation of Frontier International and Cass Tech High School students.



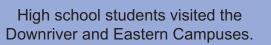
Staff visited local high schools to present on program offerings.



### **Dual Enrollment**



**EASTERN CAMPUS** 





The Dual Enrollment team is reviewing Spring 2025 final grades.



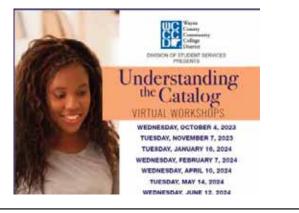
Considine's GED instructor and students are preparing for another great day of learning.

# **Division of Student Services**



### **Student Success Workshops**

The Student Success Workshop Series continues to provide students with the tools necessary to successfully complete their degree or certificate.



Student Success!





# Phi Theta Kappa (PTK)

We proudly congratulate all graduates from the Phi Theta Kappa Alpha Upsilon Zeta Chapter on their outstanding achievement. Special recognition goes to Wenoia Kim Clark, Ida Akoto-Wiafe, Jocelyn Need, and Varilyn Strong for receiving distinguished awards during the ceremony. Their dedication and leadership embody the spirit of excellence we uphold.



Information Technology Transformation Plan



# Microsoft 365 Orientation and Staff Migration

Staff from the Division of Information Technology has successfully completed the migration of end users at the Curtis L. Ivery District Office to the Office 365 cloud platform. Throughout the process, the team has worked efficiently and diligently to ensure a seamless transition. The team has now begun the migration of users in the Student Services Department at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus.





# Network Infrastructure Upgrade Project

The Network Infrastructure Team has successfully completed upgrades in four of the seven network closets at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus, marking significant progress toward project completion. Only three closets remain to be upgraded.





# VIRTUAL INTERCULTURAL CONVERSATIONS

This week's Virtual Intercultural Conversations Series discussed the following books:

**CULTURAL** ENRICHMENT



Michelle Farney and Kerri Barnett Novak shared on **"Blink"** by Malcolm Gladwell



Shailey Dey shared on "Strangers Among Us" by Roberto Suro



Professor Bruce Ewen shared on "Detroit's Sojourner Truth Housing Riot of 1942" by Gerald Van Dusen

- The Asian Cultural Meeting celebrated rich traditions through storytelling, art, and food.
- Nijhum Chakraborty showcased two stunning paintings by her sister.
- Ashish Patel shared his personal experience with Indian wedding traditions.
- Dr. Harun Rashid spoke of Islamic festivals in Bangladesh and fondly recalled interfaith harmony in his village.

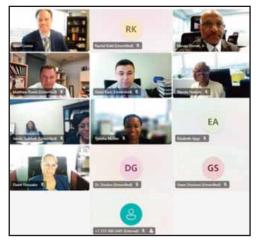


South Indian cuisine, featuring idli, medu vada, chutneys, samosas, spring rolls, and gulab jamun was served.





# **Division of Educational Affairs**



# Educational Affairs Professional Development Session

The Division of Educational Affairs hosted a professional development session on the process of creating new programs and courses, aligning closely with the established curriculum process. Campus presidents, provosts, deans, and administrators attended the session, where they received an in-depth overview of each stage of the process—from initial concept to final program approval.

# GVSU Leaders Tour WCCCD's Cybersecurity Suite



WCCCD welcomed a delegation from Grand Valley State University for a guided walk-through of our state-of-the-art Cybersecurity Suite. This visit marks an exciting step toward academic collaboration and shared commitment to advancing cybersecurity workforce readiness across the state.

# DALNET (Detroit Area Library Network) Quarterly Board Meeting



Stephanie Jones attended the Quarterly Board Meeting of DALNET (Detroit Area Library Network). In the June meeting, the following agenda items were discussed: ExLibris renewal for our library management platform, Dspace (digital repository), Data Integrity projects for user records and SIS cleanup. WCCCD will begin to cleanup projects in the upcoming months.

# **Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus**



# Language Institute

The Language Institute hosted a 'Culture Around the World' student engagement program. Students actively engaged in exploring diverse global traditions, languages, and customs through interactive activities.



# City of Detroit Department of Elections

The City of Detroit Department of Elections held training sessions on processes and procedures.

# Best Practices Meeting

Dr. Brian Singleton facilitated a meeting with team members of the Mary Ellen Stempfle Center for Distance Learning. The discussion included management approaches of pedagogy and best practices and tactics.







# **Yoga Class**

Members enjoyed the perks of the HWEC terrace with an outdoor Yoga class, designed for flexibility and relaxation.



# Vibrant Health Workshop

Vibrant Health returned to the HWEC with a seminar discussing the benefits of healthy eating, plant-based lifestyles, and mental health with Licensed Acupuncturist/ Art Therapist Geoffrey Edwards.

## **Staff Meeting**

Staff met to prepare for upcoming summer camps and to discuss the process for the year-end report.

# **Downriver Campus**



Andy Steeby was appointed and sworn in as a member of the Charter Township of Huron Local Development Finance Authority.



# **Region 2 South**

Region 2 South held its Monthly Advisory Committee Meeting to discuss upcoming events, conferences, and educational opportunities.



# Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital Training

Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital held a Relationship-Based Care training seminar. Re-igniting the spirit of caring is a mindset that focuses on reconnecting health care staff with their purpose and expanding their capacity to care.

# **SEMCA All Staff Meeting**

The Downriver Campus hosted SEMCA's All Staff Meeting. This meeting included the Workforce Development Board which is composed of members from the public and private sectors who work to ensure that the system works for everyone.



# **Eastern Campus**





**Anatomy and Physiology** 

Students studied the skeletal system to identify the shapes, functions, and location of the bones.

Microbiology

Students performed the "Aseptic Technique" experiment to learn the movement of microbes.

# Chancellor's Weekend Memo



Wayne County Community College District



### 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

