



Student Success Center Provides One-On-One Academic Support

Students continue to receive one-on-one support in the Student Success Center at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus as they register for the 2025 Fall Semester. WCCCD is committed to building an ecosystem of support systems through proactive advising, wraparound services, and collaborative engagement. This holistic approach ensures every student receives support and is prepared for academic success.



Chancellor's Meetings



I met with some members of the Executive Team to discuss strategic fiscal year budget initiatives.





Institutional Effectiveness

Community College Trends

The Division of Institutional Effectiveness continues trend analysis in preparation for Fall 2025. Many colleges are planning for a demographic shift due to post pandemic effects, changes in financial aid requirements, mental health, and students who enter the workforce early without a college degree. According to “The League For Innovation in the Community College,” Community Colleges must prepare for long-standing barriers to student success considering food insecurity, talent shortages, health, and homelessness. Below you will find a few developments to watch closely in the coming year:

Younger students (18-20) are embracing short-term certificates

FAFSA Growing Pains Could Persist

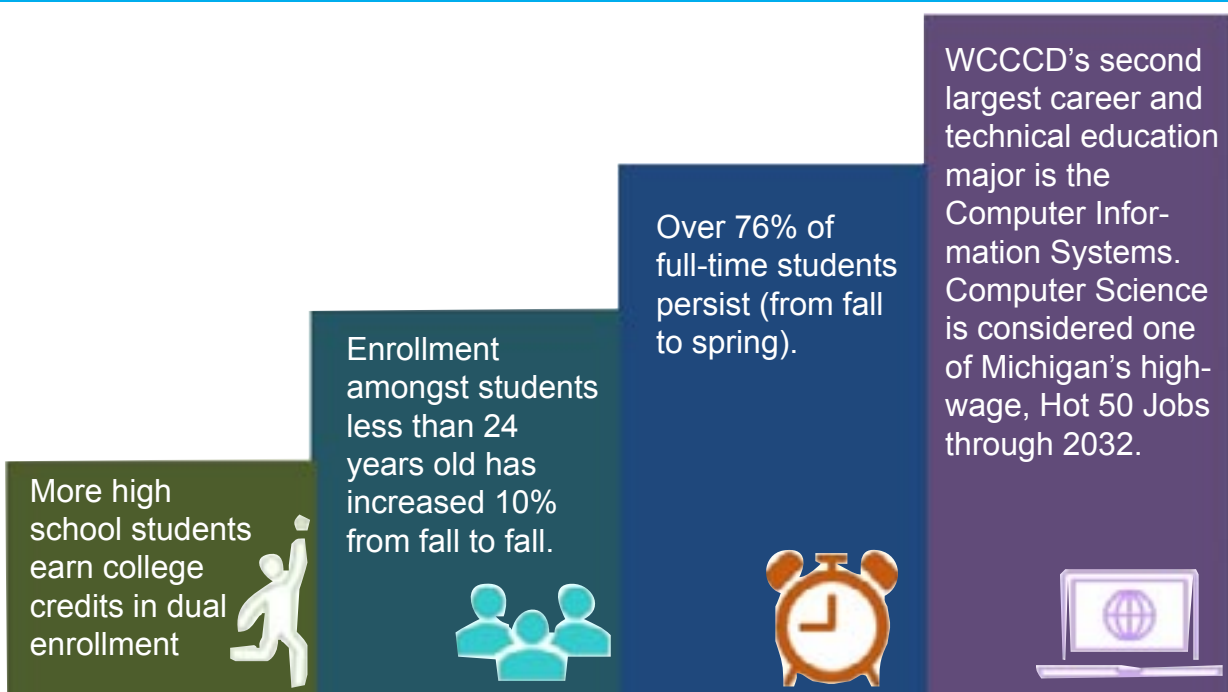
Dual Enrollment is Accelerating

AI is here to stay, and students are eager to adopt it

Enrollment is Stabilizing but still requires focus

Source: <https://www.league.org/partner-offer/six-community-college-trends-watch-2025>

Below you will find some sample data points on WCCCD's student body



Northwest Campus

NAACP Freedom Weekend

The Northwest Campus was pleased to host the Freedom Institute's Ron Walter's National Townhall titled "From LA to Detroit." The program was designed to educate, enlighten and uplift the community about their rights and strategies for engagement. Featured panelists included pastor, author, and radio host Dr. Michael Eric Dyson; attorney Krystie Medina; and Kim Trent, Deputy Director of Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity, who served as the moderator.



Annual Fight for Freedom Fund Dinner

Furquan Ahmed and Dr. Yvette Anderson represented the District at the NAACP Detroit Branch's 70th Annual Fight for Freedom Fund Dinner titled "The Power Is Within The People." The program, which served multiple purposes related to advancing civil rights and addressing issues affecting the community, honored civil rights pioneers and recognized the achievements of individuals and NAACP branches.



*First Lady Monica Anthony (Wife of Rev Dr. Wendell Anthony)
Rev. Dr. Wendell Anthony (President of Detroit Branch NAACP)
Roland Martin, William Monroe Trotter, Freedom and Justice Awardee
Kamilia Landrum, Executive Director of the Detroit Branch NAACP*





Division of Human Resources

2025 Payroll Audit Processes Planning

Staff from the Divisions of Human Resources (HR) and Administration and Finance met to discuss the upcoming 2025 District payroll audit. This periodic review of the District's payroll processes and records verifies the continued accuracy, timeliness and compliance of employee pay.



Enhancing Reliable Project Management



HR is continuously working to enhance its efforts District-wide to provide reliable project management through weekly reports which are transparent, accessible and secure to facilitate strategic-decision making processes.

DR. RANDALL MILLER'S CORNER



Shining the Light on... Matthew Puwal

Matthew Puwal began his tenure at WCCCD in 2003 working in project management with our phone system, and he now serves as the Dean for Career Programs for the Eastern Campus. Being a 'hands-on' person, Matt has experience in working with courses in most career programs. He is in fact so hands-on that he did his own geothermal technology work in constructing his personal home.



Matt is a carpenter by trade, and he earned his Associates Degree at Macomb Community College and studied architectural drafting at ITT Technical Institute. He has also continued his education at Ferris State University.



Matt is also proud to share that the College now has new equipment in CNC, 3-D Printing, and Welding that provides training well beyond what students will generally find in private industry when they are hired. And the training they gain at WCCCD enables them to work on any equipment in the field.



Perhaps the most exciting development in the Eastern Campus' Career Programs is the state-of-the art Mechatronics Lab, which trains robotics and automation technology technicians how to program robots. The training cell is the result of a partnership between WCCCD, Stellantis, Fanuc, and Comau. Those partners are all represented on the program's advisory committee. The training cell was specifically designed for WCCCD, and it contains nine robots and the technology behind what makes the robots function.

The goal is for the College to offer classes this Fall semester, and Matt will be taking an accelerated training program in the training cell to provide oversight.



Division of Administration and Finance

Budget Implementation

Now that the FY26 budget has been approved, the Administration and Finance Team will monitor expenditures, ensure adherence to budgetary constraints and make necessary adjustments to optimize efficiency and effectiveness.



Regular audits and checks during budget implementation can drastically reduce financial discrepancies and enhance the accuracy of financial reports.



Continuous Quality Improvement

District Facilities and Procurement Meeting

District Facilities and Procurement met to discuss processes and procedures to enhance our work order and purchasing methods.





VIRTUAL INTERCULTURAL CONVERSATIONS

This week's virtual Intercultural Conversations Series focused on:

- Honoring French-American Heritage Month through engaging discussions that explored the historical, cultural, and architectural contributions of French Americans. Shailey Dey highlighted the impact of notable political figures such as Marquis de Lafayette and Jean Baptiste Sable on present-day America and examined French architectural influences in regions such as Michigan and New Orleans.
- Nijhum Chakraborty presented on the historical and religious significance of Ashura, followed by Dr. Harun Rashid, who offered further insights into its meaning and origins. Ashura is a significant day in the Islamic calendar observed by both Sunni and Shia Muslims on the 10th day of Muharram.



Interfaith Reflection Visit to the Midwest Buddhist Meditation Center





Division of Educational Affairs



Graduation Approvals

The Educational Affairs team worked on evaluating and providing final approval for graduation applications submitted from each campus to the Division of Student Services.

Educational Partnership Opportunities

Furquan Ahmed met with faith-based community leaders to explore educational partnership opportunities in Islamic Studies.



Pictured from left to right: Shaykh Abdelmajid Jondy, Furquan Ahmed, Mufti Abdul Wahab Waheed, and Shaykh Oosman Mustafa

HAPPENING NOW!

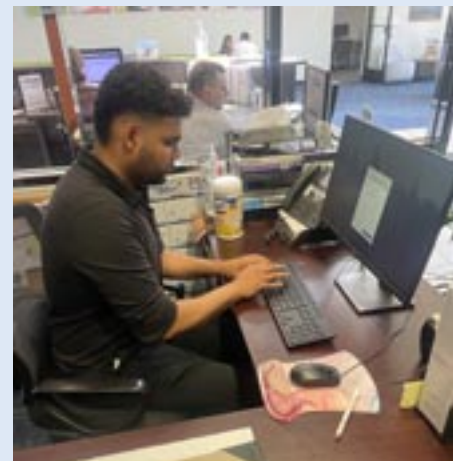
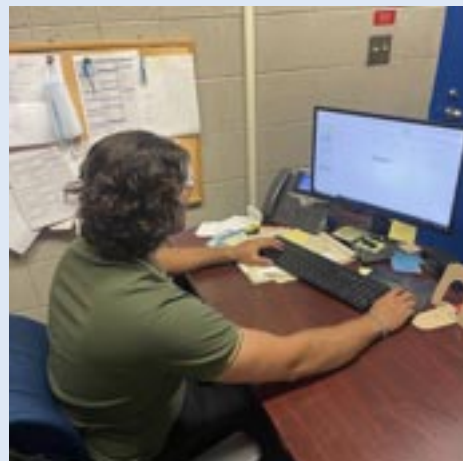
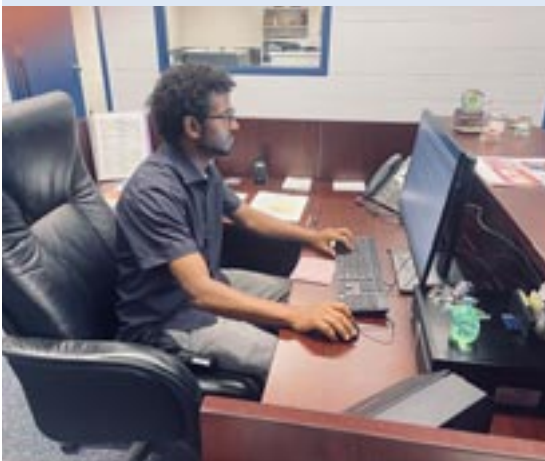
MICROSOFT 365 MIGRATION PROJECT UPDATE



District IT made major progress this week with the Office 365 migration.

- Virtual orientations were successfully conducted to prepare staff at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown, Downriver, Eastern, and Ted Scott campuses for the Office 365 migration.
- IT staff have been deployed on-site to assist with staff account migrations.

This effort will enhance efficiency and collaboration, directly support staff at all campus locations and foster a more connected, productive work environment for serving our students.





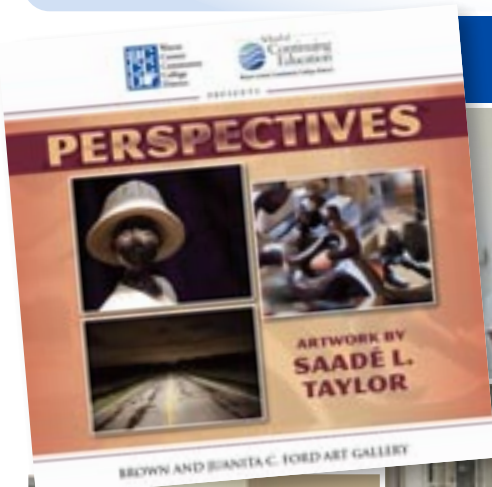
District Police Authority

Police Authority Services

The District Police Authority remains committed to campus safety by offering wide range of services, including safety escorts, assistance with vehicle lockouts, lost and found support, and more.



Downriver Campus



The School of Continuing Education was pleased to host the opening reception of *Perspectives - Artwork by Saade L. Taylor* in the Brown and Juanita C. Ford Art Gallery at the Downriver Campus. The exhibition, on display through August 19th, features a captivating collection of mixed-media pieces that highlight Taylor's unique creative talent.

Silver Circle PROGRAM

MATURE LEARNERS: **COMPUTERS** GETTING STARTED

The School of Continuing Education is pleased to announce the Silver Circle Partnership-Mature Learner's Computer Courses at the James E. Wadsworth, Jr. Community Center. The courses will provide participants with an overview of how to use computer features such as the keyboard, email and the internet.



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**

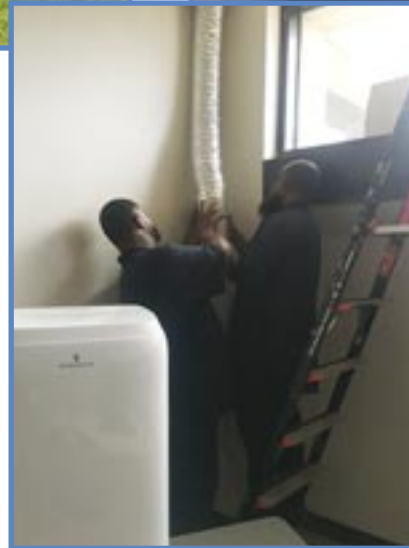
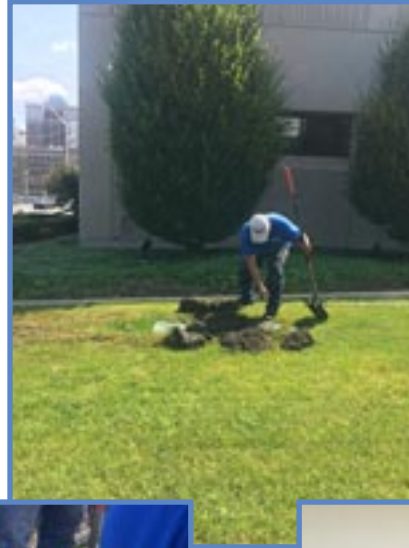


**MANAGEMENT OF
EXTERIOR AND
INTERIOR ASSETS**



**STUDENT
INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS**

CURTIS L. IVERY DOWNTOWN CAMPUS





Division of Workforce and Economic Development



New CDL-A and CTTTP Cohorts Begin Training

The Commercial Driver's License Class A (CDL-A) and the Construction Trades Training Program (CTTP) cohorts officially began their training this week.



CDL students are learning to operate commercial trailers on simulators and are gaining hands-on experience with driving and parking.



The CTTTP students are receiving their CPR Training and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Certification.



Division of Student Services

Office of Outreach and Recruitment

Staff participated in the City of Detroit's Senior Summer Sizzler and provided attendees with information about the college's program offerings.

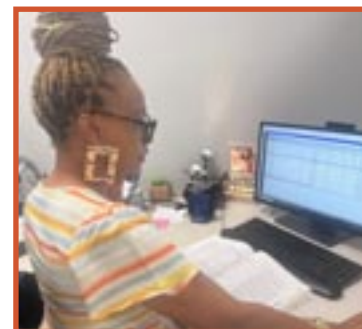


Student Support Services



The Division of Student Services Team is diligently reviewing the experience cards for the new student self-service platform. These cards aim to enhance students' navigation, registration, and engagement, ensuring a seamless and enriching experience as they access various resources and services.

Staff continue to prepare for the upcoming Fall Semester.

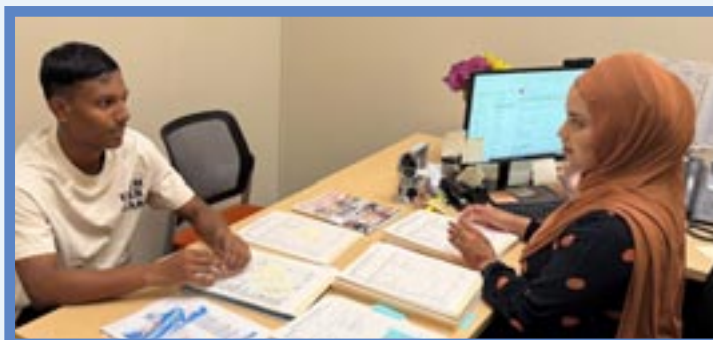


Dual Enrollment

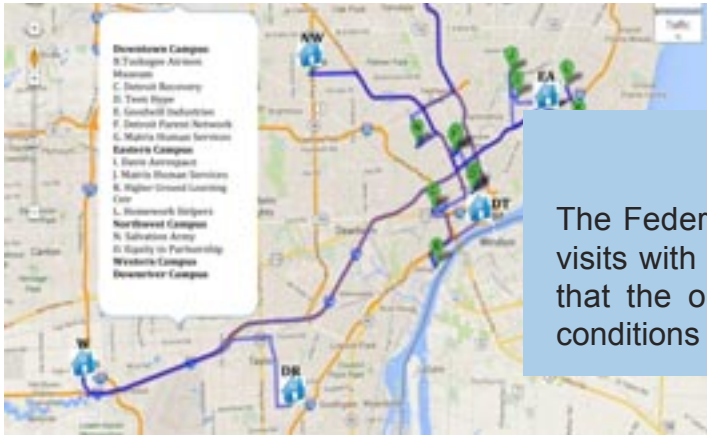
The Dual Enrollment Team met to discuss Fall 2025 Semester course offerings.



International Students Prepare for Fall Classes



Division of Student Services



Federal Work Study

The Federal Work-Study (FWS) Office will be conducting site visits with the Offsite Non-Profit Partners. These visits ensure that the organizations are providing the necessary working conditions and environment for the FWS students.

Phi Theta Kappa (PTK)

Dr. Ashanti Israel attended the 2025 PTK Leadership Development Studies Virtual Certification Seminar. The seminar provided participants with the tools to develop a fundamental understanding of leadership and the skills required to be an effective leader.





Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center



Summer Movie Night Series

Participants enjoyed an evening of family entertainment and educational activities during the showing of Moana 2. The Thursday Summer Movie Nights series, presented by the School of Continuing Education, Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center and, in partnership with the City of Harper Woods, runs through the end of August.



ART at the University Center

Students at the Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center are mastering the art of form through precise shadow placement and gestural techniques.



Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus

Detroit Fire Department Cadet Training Program

The Detroit Fire Department summer fire cadet training program was held at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus.



Pathways to Excellence Male Mentoring Program

The Pathways to Excellence Male Mentoring Program was held at the Campus, focusing on enhancing leadership skills and fostering a strong sense of identity.



Fall 2025 Registration Continues

Staff continue to assist students with Fall 2025 registration, course sequencing, and advising.



Ferris State University Information Session

Representatives from Ferris State University were on campus with TRiO sharing information about programming and transfer opportunities.

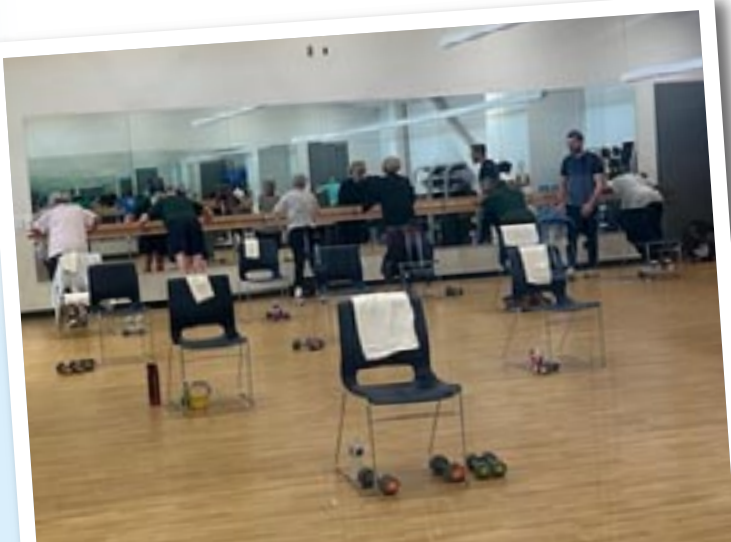
CURTIS L. IVERY HWECC

Health & Wellness
Education Center



Riverfront Partnership

The HWECC, in partnership with the Riverfront Conservancy, hosted chair yoga class at the Riverfront. Information about the HWECC including membership options and facility features were shared with attendees.



Mobility Class

The mobility class allows members to learn techniques that improve their flexibility and overall wellness through various movements in a relaxing setting.

Member Highlight Quote

“This is one of the newest health and fitness centers in Southeast Michigan. The equipment is state of the art, the facility is well maintained and constantly improving.”

— J. Brown

Health Science Center - Northwest Campus

Northwest Campus



Henry Ford Hospital Phlebotomy Program Partnership Meeting



Trenee Lee met with representatives from Henry Ford Hospital to discuss expanding our partnership for the Phlebotomy Program.



Summer Youth Arts and Crafts Camp



Drs. Nahla Baaqi and Jocelyn Rainey volunteered at the Summer Youth Arts and Crafts Camp at the Northwest Activities Center. The camp was designed to encourage kids' creativity through drawing, painting, sculpture, and design.



Program Highlight

Nursing Program

Students in the Nursing Program are engaging in practical learning experiences in a state-of-the-art SIM Lab in the Health Science Center at the Northwest Campus. The curriculum combines classroom instruction with clinical practice, equipping students with essential skills in patient care, medical procedures, and effective communication to work in various healthcare settings.



Downriver Campus



Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital – Relationship Based Care Training

The Downriver Campus hosted Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital for a Relationship-Based Care Training seminar.



SEMCA All Staff Meeting

The Downriver Campus hosted the SEMCA All Staff Meeting which also included the Workforce Development Board.



Region 2 South Critical Incident Stress Management Training

Participants in this training, developed through the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation, learned about the core elements of a comprehensive systematic and multi-component crisis intervention service.



Wayne Metro Community Action Agency Supportive Housing & Homeless Service

Participants in the Wayne Metro Community Action Agency Supportive Housing & Homeless Service workshop learned about resources to help empower individuals and families experiencing or at-risk of experiencing homelessness with the solution to achieve housing stability and long-term self-sufficiency.

Downriver Campus

Student Success



Students in the Introductory Biology Lab class are gaining essential hands-on lab experience.

Assisting Dual Enrollment Students

Students take the Accuplacer placement test in preparation for the 2025 Fall Semester.



WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



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



U.S. Border Patrol – Desert Snow Training

The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE) hosted the U.S. Border Patrol for Desert Snow Training. This three-day Criminal Interdiction Workshop provided hands-on training using an “All Crimes” approach to criminal interdiction.



Eastern Campus

Advanced Finishes, Custom Painting and Detailing

Students are in the paint booth applying a tri-coat to enhance the color, depth, and durability of the paint finish.



Microbiology

Students are recording results from the Negative Staining experiment.

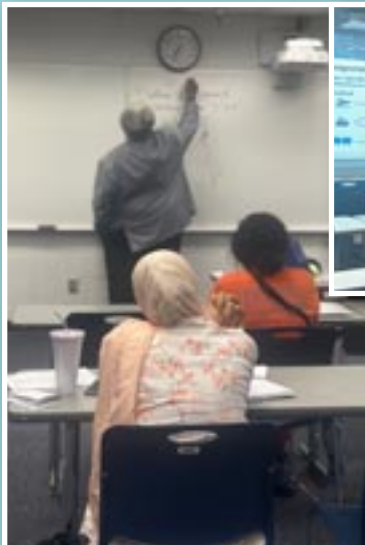
Buddies in Business Orientation Workshop



Ted Scott Campus

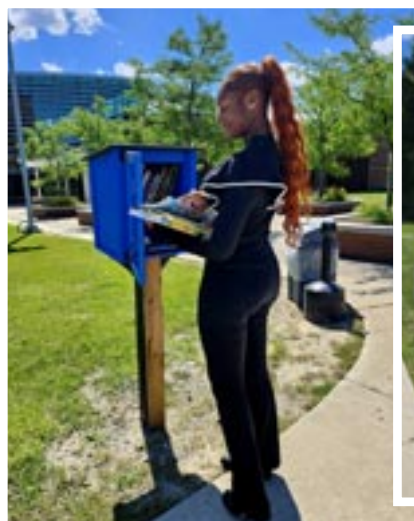
Dedicated Faculty Support Students

The Ted Scott Campus faculty continue to work hard helping to inspire students through dedicated teaching and mentorship.



Forgotten Harvest Community Partnership Helps Supports Local Families

The Ted Scott Campus hosted the Forgotten Harvest food outreach program which helps provide the community with access to fresh and nutritious food. One in five people in Wayne County experience food insecurity.



New “Little Library” Initiative Supports Literacy

In response to community suggestions, the Ted Scott Campus launched a “Little Library” initiative that offers free, gently used, donated books.

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

