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District Provost,
Health Sciences

DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM BELL RINGING CEREMONY

The Health Science Center–Dental Clinic at the Northwest Campus was filled with smiles and applause as the Dental Hygiene Program honored its students with the Bell Ringing Ceremony. This tradition marks a major milestone—recognizing students who have successfully completed their clinical program requirements. This year's honorees, Jakiya Dozier, Amir Steele, Malisa Taylor, Paige Chapman, Husen Saeed, Melina McNelly, and Elaina Hussen, each took their turn ringing the bell, a symbol of achievement and months of dedication and hard work.



Chancellor's Meetings



Scholarship Foundation Meeting



I met with staff for the final review of the Weekend Memo.

Detroit Free Press

He thought he'd be a short-timer, 30 years later Wayne County educator is still here



I was honored by the recent article published in the *Detroit Free Press*.

<https://www.yahoo.com/news/articles/thought-hed-short-timer-30-100251964.html>

Chancellor's Meetings



I met with Rev. Dr. Jim Holley to discuss ongoing adult education initiatives and strategies to enhance community collaboration.



I met with Dr. Yusuf Sabree and members of the District Police Authority to discuss campus safety enhancements.



Division of Workforce and Economic Development



Cool Tech Kids Camp



Cool Tech Kids 2025 Camp was another huge success. Students from various schools in the City of Detroit were excited to learn computer coding techniques.



Happening Now!

Microsoft 365 Student Self-Service Meeting



Data Closet Re-engineering Project Meeting



Connecting Minority Communities (CMC) Grant *Project Update*

CMC Grant is excited to announce the first session of our Job Seeker Workshop Series, a free six-month program designed to help you succeed in today's job market.

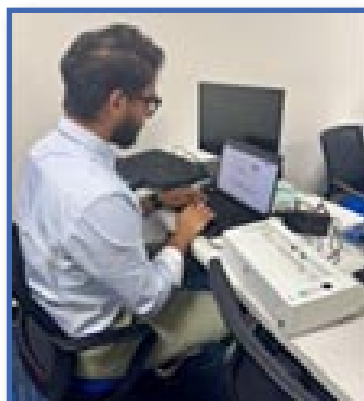
The first workshop, "Resume Writing with AI Tools," will be held virtually on Tuesday, August 19, and Thursday, August 21, 2025. This session will show you how to use AI to create a resume that stands out to employers and applicant tracking systems.

The CMC team continues to distribute free laptops with hi-speed internet to students participating in our new AI Track short-term certificate program.



*This workshop is completely
FREE and open to everyone!*

Financial Aid Marathon Preparation



Division of Human Resources

Professional Development Webinar

Staff from the Division of Human Resources participated in a professional development webinar titled *"Re-Engaging and Re-Energizing Your Workforce."*

Key topics included:

- Strategies to boost employee morale and motivation
- Techniques for fostering a positive and inclusive workplace culture
- Tools to recognize and address employee burnout
- Best practices for enhancing communication and transparency across teams



Important! Staff Pay Dates

Full-Time

8/15/2025

8/29/2025

9/12/2025

9/26/2025

10/10/2025

10/24/2025

11/07/2025

11/21/2025

12/05/2025

12/19/2025



Division of Educational Affairs



The Division of Educational Affairs team members Dr. Allan Cosma, Dr. Wanda Hudson, Dr. Tynisha McGee, Denis Karic, Provost of Distance Learning and Jara Tekleab, District Director Compliance & Reconciliation, met to discuss the Annual Textbook Review for the Fall 2025 semester.



Institutional Representatives Diane Gonzalez and Dr. Tynesha McGee of the Division of Educational Affairs, coordinated the logistics for the 2025–2026 academic year events. Through MI-ACE Women's Network Collaborative, women across the District come together to foster engagement, inspiration, health and wellness, and mutual support within the sphere of women in higher education.



Building Community Relationships



Downriver Taste Fest

Congresswoman Debbie Dingle along with WCCCD staff members George Lowe, Sandra Lowe, Ron Hawkins, Annette Hawkins, Tim Durand, Jeff Moore, Barb Moore, Stacey Hale and Jeremiah Wilburn, attended the Downriver Taste Fest.



District Police Authority

Collaborative Partnership

“No Kid Without a Christmas” is the heartfelt promise made by Goodfellow News, and over the past few months, the District Police Authority is stepping in as Santa’s helpers. They have been hard at work bringing that promise to life. Officers have helped outfit, dress, and pack hundreds of dolls in preparation for the holiday season. These gifts will be distributed at the end of November and beginning of December. It was truly an “all hands on deck” effort, with valuable support from the sewing class, kudos to them!





Division of Administration and Finance

BUDGET DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

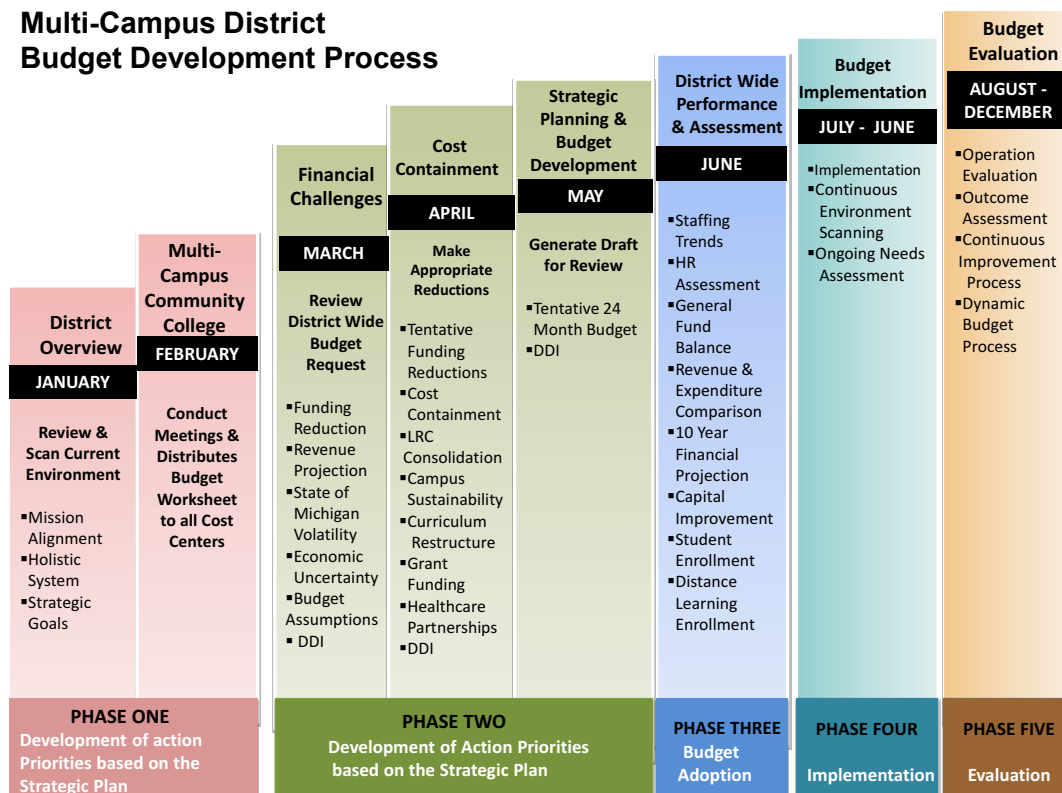
Ensures Resource Allocation and Meets Educational Goals



Now that Fiscal Year 25/26 is well underway, the Finance Team will continue to review and allocate resources through the budget development process.



Multi-Campus District Budget Development Process



DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

OFFICE OF FACILITIES PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

Deputy Chancellor/CFO Kim DiCaro continues to work with the Facilities Management Team to enhance the delivery of our services across the District. 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**

EASTERN CAMPUS



MAN Lab Floor Painting



CNC Lab Floor Painting



Troubleshooting the roof top unit

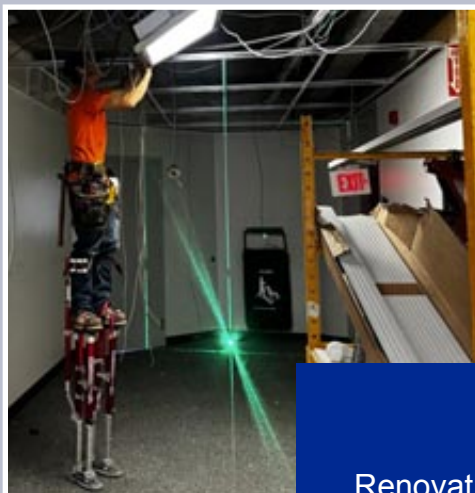
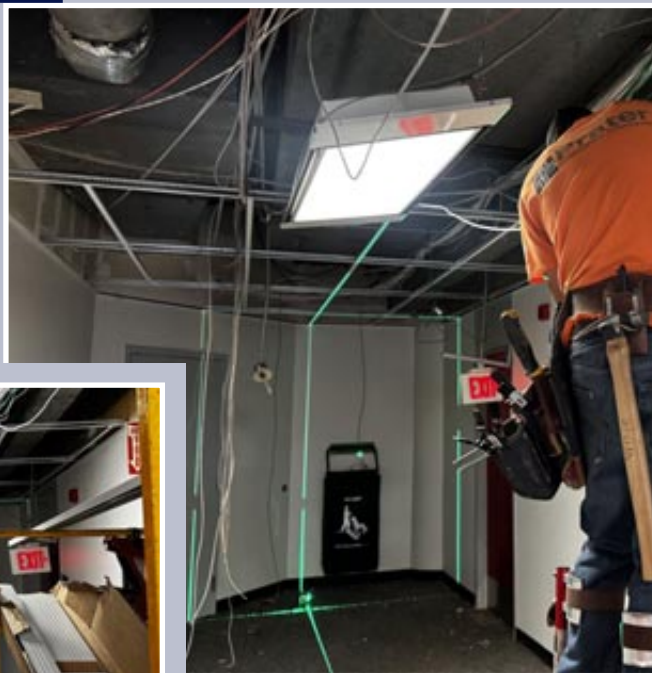


DOWNRIVER CAMPUS



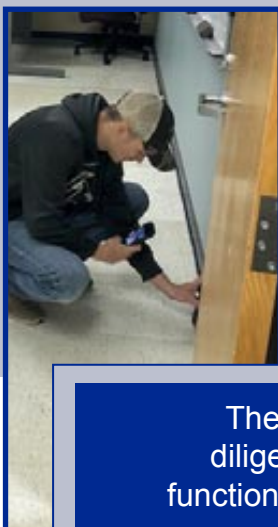
**The Downriver Campus Lawn
Maintenance crew mowed and
trimmed the Campus grounds.**

CURTIS L. IVERY DOWNTOWN CAMPUS



Renovations and enhancements continue at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus. The new ceiling system is being installed along with other improvements.

NORTHWEST CAMPUS



The campus facilities team has been working diligently to ensure a welcoming, safe, and fully functional environment for students, faculty, and staff.



Division of Student Services

Office of Outreach and Recruitment

WCCCD partnered with Detroit Association of Black Organizations (DABO) to provide free classes to the Detroit community.



WCCCD staff spent the weekend in Hart Plaza at the Ribs and Soul event, reaching the community, answering questions, and helping students apply.

WCCCD participated in the 2025 Young Professionals Conference at Huntington Place, hosted by Detroit Wayne Integrated Health Network. The Outreach and Recruitment team shared program information with Grow Detroit's Young Talent (GDYT) participants, highlighting WCCCD's academic offerings—associate degrees and dual enrollment options. This direct engagement supported our partner DWIHN's goal to foster Detroit's youth workforce.



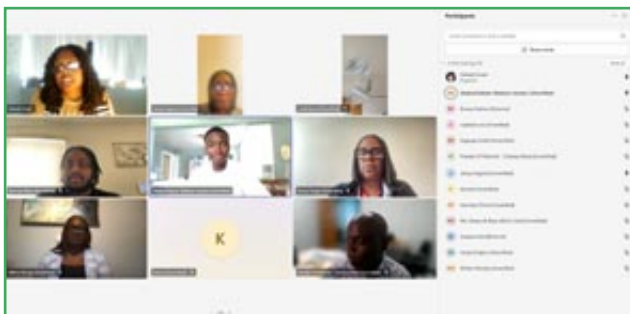


STUDENT SUCCESS SPOTLIGHT



"I was a student who had never even sewn a button before this program, and now I can make full gowns from start to finish. Thanks to the expertise of teachers like Professor Olajumoke, I have gone from just a student with a dream to a designer with the skills to realize my vision. If not for the scholarship offered by the TRIO Program, I would have seriously struggled to afford all the supplies needed to create and design projects for each class. I cannot emphasize enough how important a Program like TRIO is to a student like me who will be a first-generation college graduate."

Daniella Captain, is an extraordinary student balancing a demanding schedule with commitment. She is pursuing a Fashion Design degree and has a 4.0 GPA. She participates in the TRIO SSS program, Phi Theta Kappa, the Student Executive Council, and the Federal Work-Study program at District Student Services. Also, she provides full-time care for her 96-year-old grandmother. Daniella exemplifies resilience.



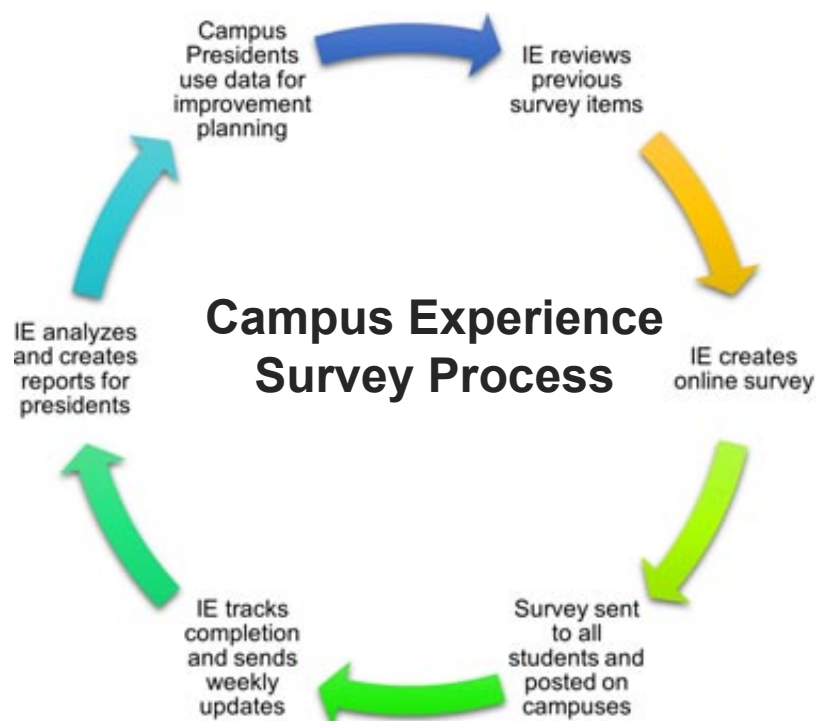
Federal Work Study

The FWS Office held their Fall 2025 Virtual Job Fair. Students were able to speak about their skills, past experiences, and future endeavors. Organizations were able to share key information about their offerings, while also having dialogue with the students about their interests.



Institutional Effectiveness

The Division of Institutional Effectiveness and Research partners with Campus Presidents to implement surveys to inform decision-making and continuous improvement. The Campus Experience Survey gathers WCCCD student perspectives to better understand how to improve overall learning experiences. The Campus Presidents use the data to complete their Student Satisfaction Inventory Action Plans in key focus areas. Below is the evaluation process and data points from Spring 2025:



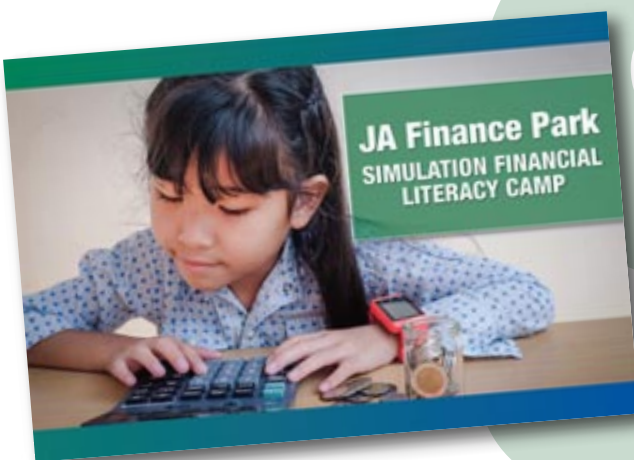
Below you will find some sample data points from the Spring 2025 Campus Experience Survey implementation for each focus area.

Distance Learning Services	Campus Services	Admissions	Advising Effectiveness	Student Centeredness
Information regarding accessing blackboard and pin reset is easy to follow	There are adequate services to help students decide upon a career	I was able to meet with an advisor or Student Services staff to assist me with admissions	I understood how long it would take me to complete my academic plan for graduation	I have at least one classmate or family member that encourage and support my goals
				



Junior Achievement Financial Literacy Camp

Students participated in a simulated financial literacy camp sponsored in partnership with Junior Achievement of Southeastern Michigan. The camp provided real-world scenarios which challenged students to explore purchasing necessities such as insurance, clothing, transportation, housing, groceries and more.



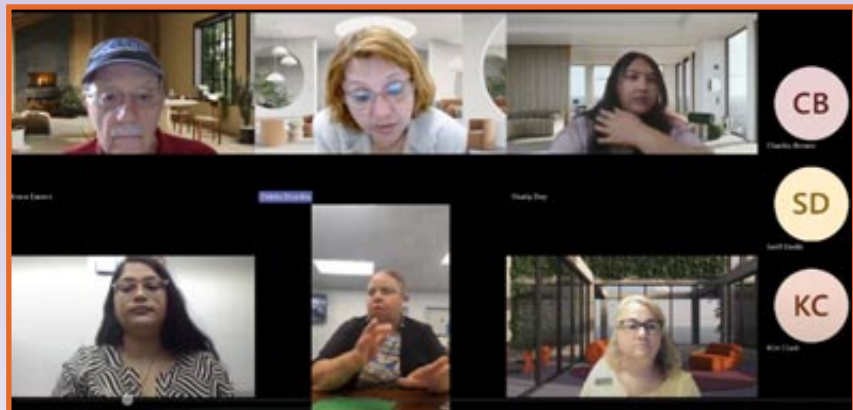


CULTURAL ENRICHMENT



VIRTUAL INTERCULTURAL CONVERSATIONS

This week's Virtual Intercultural Conversations series covered Navajo Code Talkers Day, International Youth Day, and Raksha Bandhan. Dr. Fidelis D'Cunha welcomed the participants. Professor Bruce Ewen kicked off the session with songs honoring the Navajo Code Talkers followed by a presentation. Nijhum Chakraborty facilitated an engaging session on International Youth Day highlighting the importance of youth involvement in education. Ms. Chakraborty also presented on the cultural significance of Raksha Bandhan which is a traditional Hindu festival celebrating the bond between brothers and sisters.





Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center

Community Film Screening

The Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center hosted the community screening of *Join or Die*, a thought-provoking and inspiring documentary about the power of local clubs, organizations, and neighborly connection. The film follows the work of renowned political scientist Robert Putnam and explores how joining together, whether it's Rotary, PTA, a book club, or a neighborhood group, we can strengthen both our communities and our individual well-being.



Toastmasters Meeting

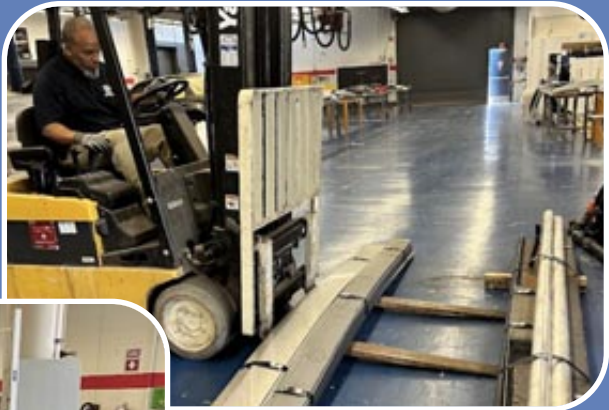
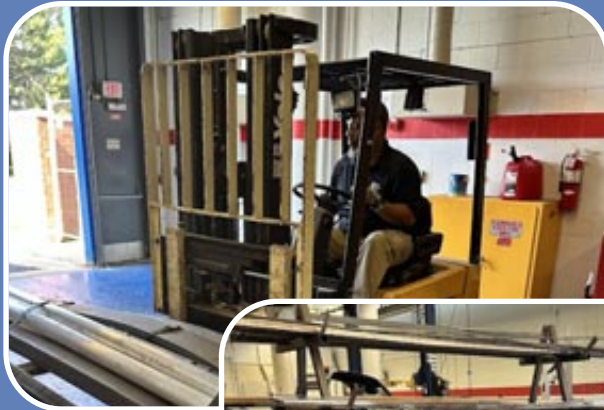
The Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center hosted the Toastmasters professional development workshop.

Eastern Campus



MICROSCOPE MAINTENANCE

Microscopes in our labs are being inspected and repaired for the upcoming Fall Semester.



WELDING LAB PREPARATION

Preparations for the Fall Semester are ongoing in our welding lab.



INSTRUCTION PREPARATION MEETING

The Eastern Campus met to go over preparations for the Fall Semester classes.

Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus



Campus Executive Administrative Meeting

The staff from the Department of General Educational Development (GED) attended the Campus Executive Administrative Meeting to provide updates on how potential students without a high school diploma can earn and complete their GED at WCCCD. Each member of the GED department shared information about their commitment to student success and explained the benefits of earning a GED.



Male Mentoring Program

The Entrepreneurial Resource Center hosted another session of the Male Mentoring Program. Each session focuses on enhancing leadership skills and fostering a strong sense of identity. This week, students continued to complete and present their research project findings.



Adult Education Meeting

The WCCCD Adult Education Department met to discuss upcoming Fall 2025 semester enrollment.



Athletic Budget Meeting

The WCCCD Athletic Department met to discuss the 2025-2026 Athletic year. Topics included scheduling, new hires, coach expectations, as well as policy and procedures.



National Intern Day Luncheon

WCCCD's summer interns participated in National Intern Day, a vibrant celebration dedicated to honoring the hard work and contributions of interns. This special day is recognized nationwide and serves as a testament to the invaluable experience interns bring to their workplaces. It emphasizes the importance of internships intended for young professionals entering their chosen fields. The interns expressed their gratitude toward the college, acknowledging how their internship opportunity has shaped their future career aspirations and individual growth.

CURTIS L. IVERY HWECC

Health & Wellness
Education Center



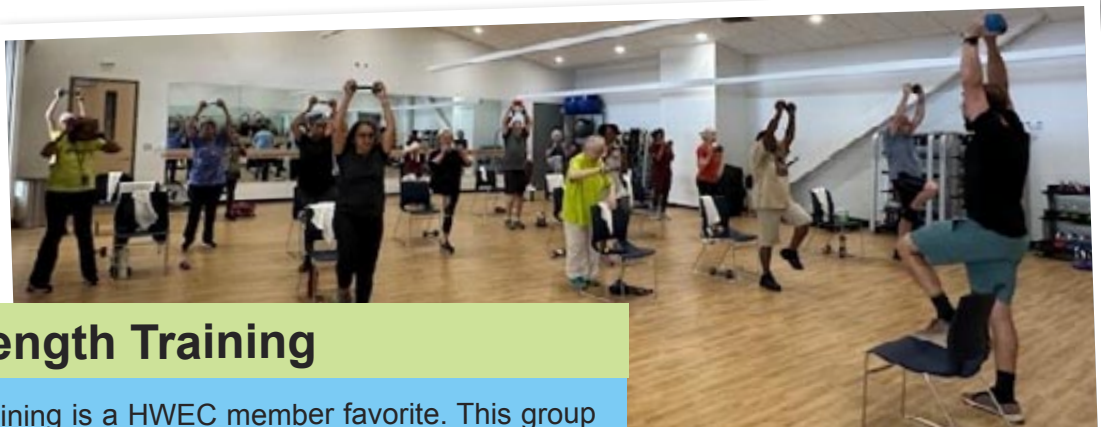
Partnership Opportunities

Mike Dotson and Cecile Taylor met with Ms. Dorothy Bennick from the East End Corktown Block Club to tour the HWECC and discuss partnership opportunities.



CPR Workshop

The HWECC in partnership with the School of Continuing Education and the MIPSE center hosted a CPR workshop for faculty and staff.



Senior Strength Training

Senior strength training is a HWECC member favorite. This group fitness course allows members to adapt at their own pace with techniques to build strength and stamina.

Northwest Campus



Preparing for Final Exams

Students are working hard preparing for final exams and completing end-of-semester projects.



MENA-WEF Meeting

Furquan Ahmed met with Dr. Jumanah Judeh, Co-Founder of MENA-WEF, to continue discussions on educational partnerships. Dr. Judeh recently led the Bethlehem Delegation's visit to the Northwest Campus, where WCCCD was selected as the preferred institution to explore these collaborative opportunities.



Women of Color Roundtable

The State of Her: Women of Color Roundtable, hosted at by Tashawna Gill and Al Williams brought together political leaders, dignitaries, and community voices, to highlight empowerment through education, business, and civic engagement, offering on-the-spot enrollment and a collective walk to the polls.



DWIHN Provider Update

The Northwest Campus hosted a well-attended Town Hall, led by former Police Chief James E. White, to keep stakeholders informed about upcoming changes in behavioral health services, underscoring our role as a hub for community engagement and impactful dialogue.



Election Day Success

Election Day was successfully held at the Northwest Campus, bringing community members together to cast their ballots.

Northwest Campus



DENTAL DEPARTMENT Graduation Celebration



The Dental Department hosted a graduation celebration honoring the Class of 2025 Dental Hygiene students. Students, faculty, and staff came together to commemorate this significant milestone. In support of the program, Cloud Dentistry awarded a \$500 scholarship to Malisa Taylor, which she plans to apply toward her board examination fees.

Downriver Campus

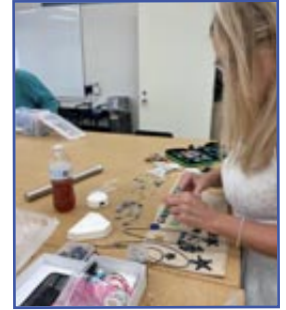
Student Success



Featuring the academic class Fundamentals of Speech with Chili Chuku.



The Downriver Campus marked the conclusion of the academic term.



Continuing Education: Glass Jewelry Bead Design Beginner.

Wayne RESA Training Sessions

River Rouge District



Wyandotte Hospital



Trauma Formed Practices



River Rouge District Support Team Training

The Downriver Campus hosted Wayne RESA River Rouge District Support Team Training. This professional development offers an immersive experience designed to empower instructional coaches and leaders. Participants will explore a vision for coaching that aligns with effective teaching and learning, laying the groundwork for a thriving coaching culture.

Wyandotte Hospital – Relationship Based Care Training

The Downriver Campus hosted Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital for 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. It also addresses components of moral distress and burnout.

Building Students with Resilience Trauma Formed Practices

This empowering and eye-opening session was designed to help educators foster resilience and create safe, supportive classrooms for every student. Participants explored the fascinating connection between the neuroscience of trauma and its impact on brain development and learning.



WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



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



Downriver Campus



U.S. Border Patrol Chaplain Training

The Downriver Campus hosted U.S. Border Patrol Chaplain Training. Chaplains provide comfort to agents dealing with stress, trauma and personal issues.



DTE FERMI 2 Fire Brigade Training

MIPSE hosted operators of the Detroit Edison Fermi 2 Plant in Monroe County as they participated in Fire Brigade training.



Downriver Hazmat Team Training

MIPSE hosted the Downriver Hazardous Material Response Team for their monthly proficiency training and material update.



MIPSE Safety Inspection

Rachel Scott and Jeff Moore conducted an inspection to ensure proper functioning of the MIPSE emergency lights.



FBI Advanced Crime Scene Photography Course

MIPSE hosted the 40 hour advanced crime scene photography course for 25 students, this class will include both FBI and local law enforcement.

Ted Scott Campus



FINAL EXAM PREPARATIONS

Students preparing for Final exams and using the LRC computers.



MOVIE FEST SHOWING OF INSIDE OUT 2

Ted Scott Campus hosts Movie fest with *Inside Out 2*.



WESTWOOD CHARTER SCHOOL MEETING

Staff met with the representatives from Westwood Charter School to go over their professional development day.

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

