

College Night

Ted Scott Campus

Students had the chance to engage with representatives, explore programs and discover valuable campus resources from a wide-range of universities and colleges during College Night at the Ted Scott Campus. The event offered a hands-on, interactive experience that inspired students to envision their future academic and career paths.





I met with Dennis Archer, Jr. and Jalen Rose to discuss strategies for enhancing community collaborations and exploring academic partnership opportunities that support student success.



Executive Processes Meeting



Meeting to discuss branding of the Culinary Arts and Hospitality Center

Cybersecurity: Staying Safe Online in 2025 & Beyond



The Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus hosted a session titled: Cybersecurity: Staying Safe Online in 2025 and Beyond, in observance of Cybersecurity Awareness Month. The session provided interactive workshops on Ethical Hackers, Network+, and Security+. Participants were provided information on WCCCD's Computer Information Systems/Cybersecurity Programs and the Cybersecurity Club.



IN THE @ NEWS



WCCCD was featured in the September-October 2025 edition of the *Grosse Pointe Magazine*. The article talks about offering diverse learning course in partnership with Michael B's. To read the full article, please click on the following link.

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POINTE | feature

WCCCD partners with Michael B's to offer diverse learning courses

By Lauren McGregor



September kicks off the second fall semester of Wayne County Community College District courses created in partnership with Michael B's Café, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Through the partnership, individuals with special needs have the opportunity to enroll in life skills courses, earn college credits and gain hands-on experience that prepares them for the future.

"We don't have anything like it," says Associate Provost Denis Karic. "This is a first for us."

The impetus for the partnership was Karic's reconnection with long-time acquaintance and Michael B's founder Alicia Carlisle.

"I reconnected with Denis Karic through Connecting the Pointes," says Carlisle. "Within a couple of minutes of meeting with WCCCD Chancellor Dr. Ivery, he said, 'let's get it done right now.' Two weeks later, we had four classes open for registration. It was not easy, but they made it happen. It's because of their commitment to

"One part of our mission is empowering individuals. We are using the strengths of our diverse learners and building courses around that to support their learning styles."

WCCCD DISTRICT



Clockwise from top, Grosse Pointe Farms Chief John Hutchins and student Kara Campbell; Michael Carlisle; Owen Hilton and Griffen Wright



styles."

Classes, which are limited to 10 students, take place at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church. Some are also available online. Transportation to classes is provided through PAATS.

"The church is a wonderful host and the WCCCD instructors and students are incredible," says

that drew over 100 attendees. "It was a heartwarming, Hallmark movie moment," says Carlisle.

The baking class has baked treats for multiple local events. "This is a true partnership, an extension of Michael B's," says Carlisle. "Courses can prepare them not only for work in the café but for life."

Construction for Michael B's Café, which will be run by adults with special needs, is slated to begin this fall.

"What a great partner," says Carlisle. "From Dr. Ivery to [WCCCD] the amazing resources in Grosse Pointe are making this all



Division of Institutional **Effectiveness**

The Division of Institutional Effectiveness (IE) partners with the Divisions of Educational Affairs and Student Services to gather insight from students about barriers to success. IE receives feedback from a variety of surveys from students and faculty to better address non-academic barriers that impede success. American Progress research suggests community college students experience higher non-tuition costs for basic needs. Below you will find sample data from this article:



Source: https://www.americanprogress.org/article/the-full-cost-of-attendance-addressing-housing-food-and-other-barriers-to-community-college-student-success/?utm_source=chatgpt.com

Below is a collection of surveys that indicate students' needs based upon instructor observations and services that students use, and student status, which are all contributing factors to student success, per the article above.

Early Alert System Survey



- **"Top 3" Non-Academic Barriers to Success identified by students**
- Lack of Study Time
- Personal Issues
- Technology Access/Challenges

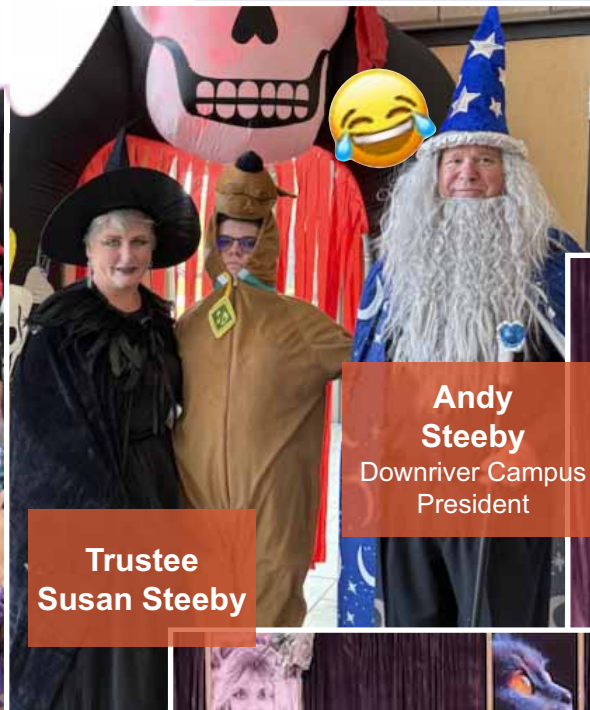
Faculty Needs Survey



- **"Top 5" greatest student needs as identified by instructors:**
- Housing
- Access to Technology
- Time Management
- Childcare
- Transportation

HALLOWEEN

DOWNRIVER CAMPUS



Andy Steeby
Downriver Campus
President

**Trustee
Susan Steeby**



13th Annual Halloween Family Fun Day

Participants enjoyed the 13th Annual Halloween Family Fun Day at the Heinz C. Prechter Educational and Performing Arts Center. Activities included photos with Star Wars characters, crafts, face-painting, a puppet performance of "Spooky Stories with Squint and Melly," an on stage costume parade and trick-or-treating.

Downriver Community Transition Council Disability Resource Expo

The Downriver Campus hosted the Downriver Community Transition Council Disability Resource Expo. This expo provided attendees and their families the opportunity to speak with representatives and receive information about summer recreation programs, camps, vocational programs after graduation, autism services, community mental health counseling, community living support, and respite care.





District Police Authority

Members of the Police Authority Department continuously train to prepare for worst-case scenarios. In a recent exercise, officers reviewed the Campus Emergency Evacuation Plan and received hands-on instruction on the proper use of the stryker stair chair, an essential tool for safely assisting individuals with mobility challenges during emergencies.





Building Community Relationships

American Human Rights Council

Staff participated in the American Human Rights Council's annual Spirit of Humanity Awards Gala. This annual program brings together community leaders, advocates, and supporters for an evening of inspiration and unity.



Trillium High School

Staff represented the District at the Trillium High School application and orientation workshop.



2025 TRENDS Conference

Dr. Wanda Hudson engaged with institutional and industry partners at the 2025 TRENDS Conference in Occupational Studies.



Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber Business Forum

Staff represented the District at the SWCRC Business Forum with Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan.



Harper Woods High School College Night

Staff represented the District at the Harper Woods High School College Night.



Division of Workforce and **Economic Development**

Inner City Contracting Company Presentation



Inner City Contracting Company conducted a presentation to discuss best practices and emerging opportunities in the skilled trades industry. Participants learned about the importance and timeliness of pursuing a career in the skilled trades field.

Market Ready Realty Presentation

Samuel Gant, from Market Ready Realty, met with our Construction Trades Training Program (CTTP) students to discuss opportunities in the residential property sector. He explained how individuals can generate income by renovating properties and securing contracts across various areas of the real estate market.



Construction Trades Training Program

Students are gaining hands-on training of the basic fundamentals of entry level carpentry.





Dual Enrollment Program

Downriver and Ted Scott Campuses

Dual enrollment students in the Automotive Program are gaining hands-on experience in state-of-the-art labs. In their Electrical/Electronic Systems course, they are applying classroom knowledge to real-world diagnostics and repairs using industry-standard tools and technology.



The Ted Scott Dual Enrollment team met to discuss updates and recruitment strategies.





CULTURAL ENRICHMENT



Bengali Cultural Meeting

The Bengali Cultural Meeting provided participants with an engaging opportunity to explore the history and culture of Bangladesh. Discussions highlighted the various dialects of Bangla, the influence of culture on traditions and religion, and Bengal's history before the partition of India, including neighboring regions like Assam and its tea plantations. Dr. Fidelis D'Cunha shared a detailed map of Bangladesh and West Bengal, while Nijhum Chakraborty recounted her family's roots and her grandmother's connection to Assam.



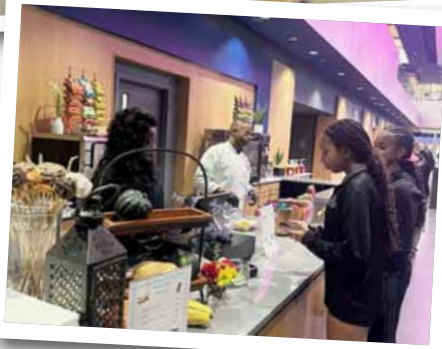
CURTIS L. IVERY HWEC

Health & Wellness
Education Center



Volleyball

The HWEC hosted the Detroit Public Schools Community District's Semi-Final Girls Volleyball Tournament.



Yoga

HWEC members learned the fundamental movements of yoga that help promote strength and stamina.



Meeting

Staff met to test equipment and review procedures in preparation for the start of the 2025-26 Men's and Women's Basketball season with the season opener on November 7, 2025.

Declutter Coach – Help, I’m Drowning in Stuff Workshop



The Downriver Campus hosted the *Declutter Coach – Help, I’m Drowning in Stuff* workshop. Decluttering coach Stephanie Foley shared practical strategies to help participants simplify their spaces and take confident action.



**NOVEMBER 3 -
DECEMBER 5, 2025**

Donation boxes available at
 ALL CAMPUSES and
 the Curtis L. Ivery District Office

**Donate Gently
 Used or New Coats**

Weekly Continuing Education Enrollment

October 6 –25, 2025

Curtis L. Ivery
Downtown Campus
702

Eastern Campus
422

Ted Scott Campus
1,667

Downriver Campus
1,062

Northwest Campus
1,294

Mary Ellen Stempfle
University Center
155

DISTRICT IT SERVICES



Happening Now!

Banner 9 Upgrade

*Kickoff Meetings with Divisions of Finance,
Human Resources, and Information Technology*

Members of the Divisions of Administration and Finance and Human Resources met with the District IT team for the Banner Upgrade Project Kickoff Meeting. The discussion focused on an overview of the project, implementation timeline, review of current business processes, demonstration and testing plans, and the designation of liaison staff from both divisions to collaborate closely with IT throughout the implementation process.



Connecting Minority Communities (CMC) Grant

Project Update

The CMC Grant team's Job Seeker Workshop Series is transitioning from live virtual sessions to a recorded, on-demand format to offer students maximum flexibility and accessibility for this essential training. The new recorded format benefits include:

- Flexibility:** Watch at your own pace, anytime, and anywhere. You no longer need to rearrange your schedule to attend a live workshop.
- Rewind & Review:** Easily pause, rewind, and rewatch complex segments. This is especially helpful for technical topics, ensuring you fully grasp the material before moving on.

Stay tuned for updates!



District-wide Copier Fleet Assessment

This quarter, the Division of Information Technology, in collaboration with Toshiba, finished a comprehensive review of the District's copiers. We are now preparing to move forward with the acquisition process to replace aged devices. The new, modern copiers will offer significant improvements District-wide including increased efficiency, reduced cost and enhanced security.

A photograph showing three people—two women and one man—seated around a dark wooden conference table. They are all smiling and looking at documents. The woman on the left is wearing a blue top and a white cardigan. The woman in the middle is wearing a pink top and a white cardigan. The man on the right is wearing a white shirt and a dark tie. A black smartphone and a small white object are on the table in front of the woman on the left. The background shows an office environment with a window and some equipment.

One Vision, One District, One College

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**

Downriver Campus

Concrete repair work was completed at the Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education. Damaged seams were removed, cut and formed the area, and prepared it for new concrete to complete the restoration.



Program Planning for Spring 2026



Staff met to strategize and coordinate logistics for upcoming programs.



Division of Educational Affairs

Culture Quest - Historic Ossian Sweet House Tour

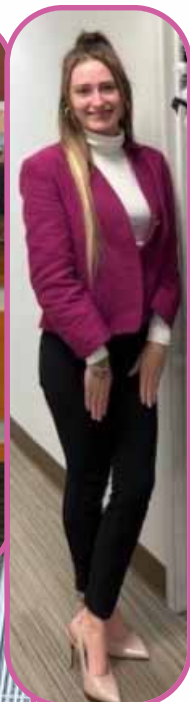


Students visited the historic Ossian Sweet Home on Detroit's East Side, where Daniel Baxter shared both the history of the landmark and his own journey as a WCCCD graduate. This experience highlighted Dr. Ossian Sweet's legacy as a civil rights advocate and medical professional whose courage and impact continue to inspire the city. Books were also donated to the students.



Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk

Dental Hygiene Student, Hayley Sullins along with Dr. Hines, showed her WCCCD pride at the 2025 Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk.



Think Pink Thursdays





WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



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



Downriver Campus

Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital Relationship-Based Care Training

MIPSE hosted Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital for a three-day Relationship-Based Care Training seminar for leadership.



Downriver Fire Investigation Team Meeting

MIPSE hosted the Downriver Fire Investigation Team for its monthly meeting.



WCCCD Fire Fighter I Practical



MIPSE hosted the Fire Fighter Practical Training, which was designed to equip students with the skills required for entry-level positions in the fire service.

Detroit Fire Department Driving Training



MIPSE hosted the Detroit Fire Department for Driving Training. The training took place using various fire department vehicles and included different attendees each day.

Detroit Public Safety Academy – Fire Fighter Dual Enrollment Practical

MIPSE hosted the Detroit Public Safety Academy Dual Enrollment Fire Fighter Practical. Students practiced ladder operations and the hoisting of firefighting tools.



River Rouge Police Department Fire Training





Division of Student Services

Student Success Center

The District Student Success Center continues to reach out to offer academic support to students who received an Early Alert for the Fall 2025 semester.



Considine Center

GED students are actively engaged in another enriching day of learning at our Considine GED site.



Student Success

We continue to assist students with transfer options once they graduate from WCCCD.

OFFICE OF OUTREACH AND RECRUITMENT



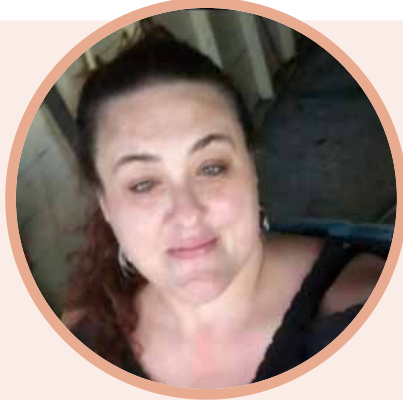
The District Student Services Dual Enrollment Team is assisting students in completing their graduation applications.



Student Services Outreach and Recruitment Meeting



Division of Student Services



New Student Experience

Congratulations to WCCCD student April Frey on receiving the Michigan Women in Technology Scholarship. The MCWT scholarship supports women with the interest, aptitude, and potential for successful careers in computer science. She is working toward a degree in CIS- Cybersecurity and plans to graduate in Spring 2026.

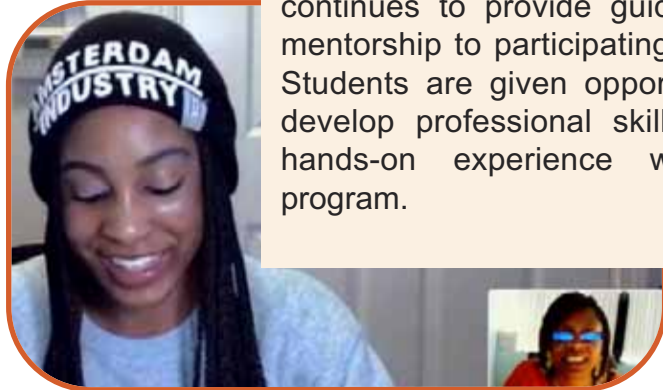


Phi Theta Kappa

Members of Phi Theta Kappa Alpha Upsilon Zeta met to discuss their Honors in Action projects. They continued collaborating on resources and tools to develop an award-winning research project.

Federal Work-Study Program

The Federal Work-Study Office continues to provide guidance and mentorship to participating students. Students are given opportunities to develop professional skills through hands-on experience within the program.



Professional Development

Denis Karic presented at the District Student Services Weekly Information Meeting. Mr. Karic provided updates on Blackboard Ultra. Blackboard Ultra, which is a learning management system (LMS) used by WCCCD to create, organize, and access online courses. Its main uses include delivering course content, facilitating communication and collaboration, and managing student work and grading.



Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center



Spring 2026 Blackboard Ultra Course View Transition

The District is excited to announce that we will be transitioning from Blackboard Original Course View to Ultra Course View for the Spring 2026 semester. Ultra Course View offers a more modern, streamlined interface that enhances the teaching and learning experience.

Important Date: The switch to Ultra Course View will take effect on Monday, November 3, 2025.



Community Partnerships

Denis Karic met with community members to discuss potential partnerships in the Harper Woods and Grosse Pointe communities.



Me, Myself, and I Workshop

The Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center hosted “Me, Myself, and I,” for a workshop on self-development for teen girls.

Downriver Campus



Shakespeare in Detroit

Staff met with Sam White, Founding Artistic and Executive Director of Shakespeare in Detroit regarding a possible future collaboration.



Southern Wayne Conference Quiz Bowl

The Downriver Campus hosted the Southern Wayne Conference Quiz Bowl weekly competition. This high school sanctioned competition featured academic teams from the Southern Wayne Conference competing in Jeopardy-style matches.

Wayne RESA

The Cottage Acquisition Scales for Listening, Language, and Speech Workshop



CPI Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Foundation Training

Wayne-Oakland State and Federal Meeting



Medicaid School Services Program Statewide Regional Training

Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus



Civic Engagement and State Services Day

The Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus, in partnership with the Michigan Secretary of State's Detroit Mobile Office, hosted Civic Engagement and State Services Day. Attendees had the opportunity to register or update voter information, renew driver's licenses, obtain state identification cards, update addresses, and process vehicle-related transactions.

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



*Pathway to Excellence
Male Mentoring Program*

Physical Therapist Assistant Program



Staff met with students at Crockett High School and provided information about the WCCCD Physical Therapist Assistant Program.



The PTA Program cohort participated in the Think Pink Health and Career Fair held at the Northwest Campus.



Northwest Campus

Continuing Education Program Outreach Cookout

The Northwest Campus hosted a cookout to promote Continuing Education programs and encouraged students to register for the upcoming Spring semester.



Community Empowerment Resource Seminar

The Northwest Campus, in collaboration with Councilwoman Mary Waters, hosted a Community Empowerment Resource Seminar. The seminar provided participants with valuable information, resources, and tools to improve housing opportunities and enhance their overall quality of life.



Supporting our Community

The Northwest Campus hosted another impactful program with the organization, Mothers in White. This organization is dedicated to providing healing, strength, and support for families who have lost loved ones to gun violence.

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Northwest Campus



Life Remodeled's Six-Day Project



Sonya Taylor and students in the Dental Assisting Program volunteered for Life Remodeled's Six-Day Project. This community initiative is dedicated to revitalizing neighborhoods on Detroit's east side. Together, they helped beautify blighted areas and demonstrated the program's ongoing commitment to service, teamwork, and community pride.



Give Kids A Smile

The Health Science Center hosted "Give Kids A Smile" in honor of National Oral Health Month. The dental clinic provided free preventative services for children which included dental screenings, dental exams, cleaning, X-rays, and fluoride treatment.



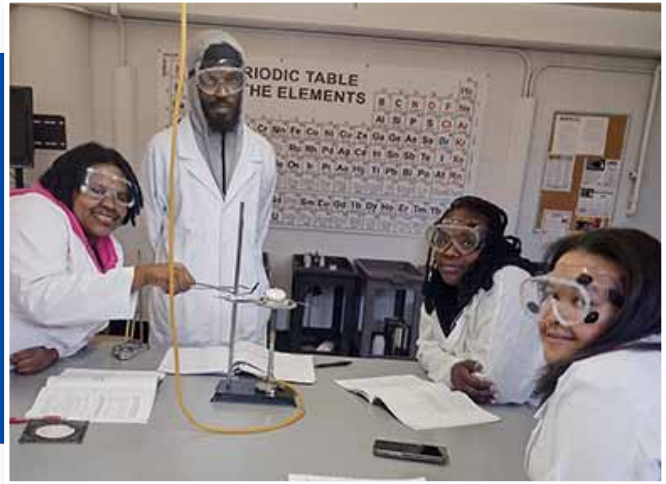
Human Trafficking Seminar

The Northwest Campus hosted a Human Trafficking Seminar for nursing students, offering valuable insights on identifying warning signs and providing assistance to individuals in vulnerable or critical situations.

Eastern Campus



Students in the Continuing Education Art of Makeup class are learning the importance of applying eye shadow and lip makeup properly.



Chemistry Lab Work

Students are exploring the freezing point of Benzoic Acid in the lab.



Roll to the Polls

The partnership with Department of Elections, the Eastern Campus provided tours of our career programs to voters.

2025 Early Voting

The Eastern Campus is a satellite location. Detroit Voters can cast their ballots
October 25 - November 2, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Community Children Celebrating Halloween at the Eastern Campus



Ted Scott Campus



Student-Centered Coaching Workshop

The Ted Scott Campus hosted Wayne RESA's Student-Centered Coaching Workshop. Participants learned how to focus on learning for the individual student.

Music on the Terrace



School of
Continuing
Education

Wayne County Community College District

The Ted Scott Campus hosted the Music on the Terrace Series with Theo Gridiron, who sings for the Detroit Lions. Participants were able to enjoy a variety of music from different backgrounds and genres.



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

