

## Exploring Career Pathways

We were pleased to welcome students from Global Educational Excellence Compass Academy for an engaging Career Exploration Tour at the Northwest Campus. Students gained interactive experience in the health sciences and culinary arts, providing valuable insights into career pathways while fostering curiosity, skill development, and readiness for the future.





## Meeting to Discuss Audit Webinars

I met with Gregory Terell to discuss the possibility of producing in-house audit webinars.

## HWEC Café Marketing Meeting

Team members met to discuss marketing initiatives for the Curtis L. Ivery Health and Wellness Education Center Café.



# Northwest Campus



## *WCCCD Celebrates Anesthesia Tech Week*

In recognition of Anesthesia Tech Week, students in the Anesthesia Technology Program engaged in a variety of activities with the deans and their clinical preceptors, fostering engagement, professional development, and appreciation for the vital role anesthesia technologists play in patient care.



# Program Highlight

## Anesthesia Technology Students Learn Life-Saving Skills

Students in the Anesthesia Technology Program are developing specialized skills to assist anesthesiologists during surgical procedures. They are learning how to prepare and maintain anesthesia equipment, monitor patient vital signs, and ensure safety throughout the process. The program combines classroom instruction in a state-of-the-art lab with clinical experience, equipping students with the knowledge and hands-on training needed to excel in this critical healthcare field.



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# BUDAPEST



## A Sneak Peek at Our Study Abroad Experience

Here's a glimpse of our students participating in the study abroad experience in Budapest as they engage with faculty and students at Eötvös Loránd University, gaining global perspectives through collaborative learning, cultural exchange, and academic dialogue. Stay tuned for more highlights!



## Division of Educational Affairs



Dr. Tynisha McGee and Diane Gonzalez led WCCCD's District Collaborative of MI-ACE with a session on "Culture, Food, Leadership and Wellness" in recognition of Women's History Month. Guest speaker Melanie Bowers, founder and CEO of the Guru Agency and Guru Team 313, spoke on the importance of women's leadership and holistic wellness, emphasizing how community, entrepreneurship, and intentional self-care contribute to personal and professional growth.



Drs. Harvey Dorrah, Carolyn Custer, Wanda Hudson, and Denis Karic met with Matthew Compton-Clark of Simple University to discuss strategies to enhance and streamline syllabus processing to continue supporting faculty and student success.



Dr. Wanda Hudson was one of four panelists at Wayne State University for a panel discussion titled "Learning Reimagined: AI and the Future of Education."



### Banner Committee Meeting

The Banner Committee meets weekly to evaluate new programs and course changes, ensuring alignment with Banner and Degree Works Audit.

### IT DATA CENTER UPGRADE

The Division of Information Technology recently completed an environmental upgrade for the VxRail cluster in the data center. This upgrade entails updating hypervisor nodes to the latest family of software code, including bios, drivers, hypervisor, and management applications. Despite the numerous updates applied, the rolling upgrade was able to be completed without any system downtime due to the redundant nature of the systems. This upgrade ensures that our core systems have the latest security updates and align with hardware/software support levels.



### DISTRICT-WIDE TECHNICAL SUPPORT



### PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT



Akmam Jaigirdar continues to meet with potential vendors.



# Division of Student Services

## PTK Honor Society Wins International Award

Alpha Upsilon Zeta of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society won the competitive international award for Distinguished Chapter Officers Team at the 2026 PTK Catalyst Conference in Baltimore, Maryland. Congratulations to everyone for their hard work and dedication!



## MiCup Student Success

WCCCD student Beverly Jackson is one of four students who has been chosen to participate in the MiCup Scholars Program. The MiCup Scholars spend seven weeks at Michigan Technological University (MTU) during the summer. The students will engage in research with MTU faculty and other experts in their field of interest.

## New Student Experience

Students who participated in a Student Success Workshop, completed the New Student Experience Survey, or used Brainfuse online tutoring services were recognized for their continued hard work and dedication.



# Division of Student Services



## Recruitment & Outreach

The District Student Services Dual Enrollment Team participated in the bridge to high school event at Martin Luther King High School.



## WCCCD Wildcat Day Preparations Underway

Team members met to prepare for the upcoming Wildcat Day 2026.



## Student Support

Staff assisted new WCCCD students complete their applications at the Blue Cross Blue Shield event held at Huntington Place.



## Summer Semester Registration Continues

Staff continue to assist students registering for the upcoming Summer Semester.



## Students Prepare for the Summer Semester



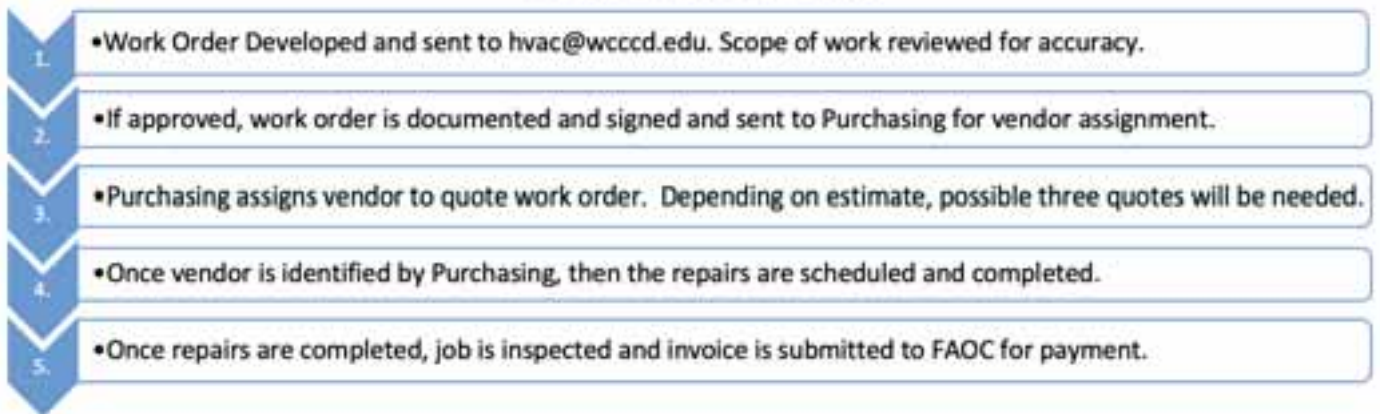


# Continuous Quality Improvement District Campus Support Services

## HVAC Document Management & Tracking Process

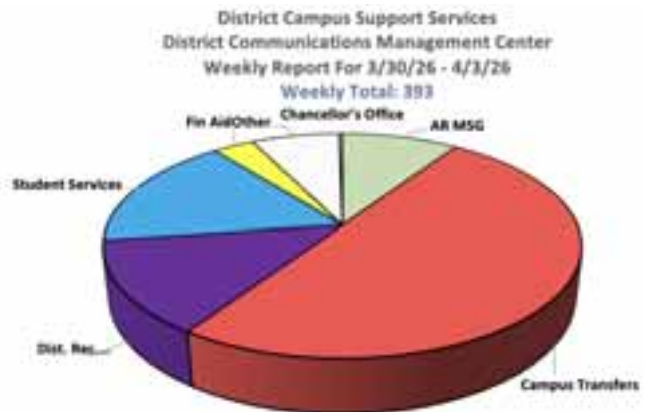
As part of the Chancellor’s Strategic Focus “Operational Effectiveness and Advancement,” the District Campus Support Services Department, in collaboration with the Facilities Department, is evaluating and tracking our HVAC systems and services. Currently, process enhancements continue as we evaluate our systems.

### HVAC Work Order Process



## District Communications Management Center

The District Campus Support Services Team continues to provide excellent customer service to our students, community members, and staff. Each team member documents caller information to our data tracking and management system to ensure ongoing alignment of efficient operations.





# Division of Workforce and Economic Development

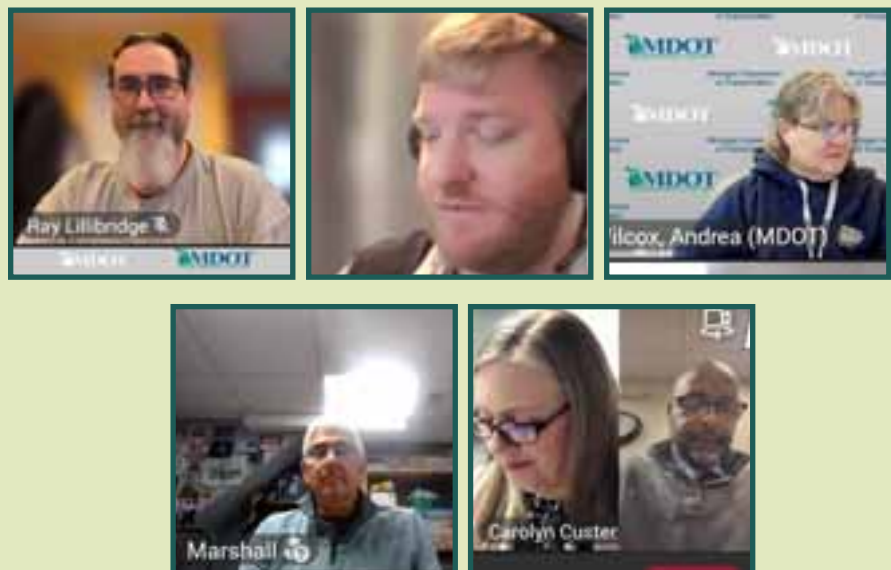
## Driving Success Forward

CDL-A instructors and staff met to strategize on enhancing safety, precision maneuvers, and future career pathways for students.



## Civil Tech Program Meeting

Carlos Hewitt and Dr. Carolyn Custer met with MDOT and instructors from the Civil Tech Program discuss future program development initiatives.





## District Police Authority

### Mentorship In Action

Sergeant Farrelly, serving as a Field Training Officer, plays an important role by mentoring new officers. Through hands-on guidance and daily interaction, he helps build a strong foundation in both knowledge and professionalism.



# DR. RANDALL MILLER'S CORNER



*Shining the Light on . . .*

## Melodie Bunkley



Melodie Bunkley, a native Detroiter, joined the School of Continuing Education as District Director in 2008 following leadership roles in retail, healthcare, and pharmaceutical management. Driven by a passion to give back to her community, she found her calling at WCCCD.

Promoted to District Dean in 2013, Ms. Bunkley provided oversight of key signature programs including the Back-to-School Rally, Kid's Coat Drive, professional development initiatives, Real Estate License Preparation, Residential Builder's License, and numerous continuing education offerings. Her impactful leadership and dedication led to her promotion in 2024 to Vice Chancellor of Continuing Education.

Melodie Bunkley clearly understands the critical role continuing education plays in the Metro-Detroit area, and her leadership at WCCCD oversees lifelong learning programs including innovative certificate programs (e.g., digital literacy, health & wellness, financial literacy and workforce credentials). She also cultivates partnerships with local businesses and community organizations, and she launches community-centered initiatives and events that increase access to education for underserved and non-traditional student populations.

Tools and techniques that Ms. Bunkley uses to achieve goals for continuing education include directing cross-functional teams including program developers, instructors, and administrative staff; using data analytics and enrollment trends to inform decision-making and improve program effectiveness; ensuring compliance with institutional policies, accreditation standards and state/federal regulations; and overseeing marketing and outreach strategies that strengthen the brand of WCCCD.

Ms. Bunkley has strengthened her personal brand while on her professional journey by completing a bachelor's degree in Sociology with a minor in Marketing at Oakland University and a master's degree in Management from Walsh College. She spends her spare time enjoying event planning, reading, decorating, renovating and traveling.



# ***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**



Computer lines were installed in the new Dual Enrollment and Early Middle College Office.



Installation of the new Health Sciences sign.

### **Curtis L. Ivery District Office**



Executive parking lot and sidewalk repairs continue.



# CULTURAL ENRICHMENT



## VIRTUAL INTERCULTURAL CONVERSATIONS



This week's Virtual Intercultural Conversations highlighted Arab American Heritage Month, Scottish American Heritage Month, World Autism Awareness Month, Earth Month, Easter, and Cesar Chavez Day. Dr. Fidelis D'Cunha introduced the significance of these observances, emphasizing their historical, cultural, and social importance. The session provided participants with an opportunity to reflect on the diverse traditions, histories, and contributions associated with these commemorations while fostering intercultural awareness and dialogue.



Staff from the District attended Forum II of Pancakes and Politics which featured Governor Gretchen Whitmer as a panelist.

Congratulations to Safa Mohammed on receiving the Student Excellence Award in recognition of her continued support of intercultural students.





WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



MICHIGAN INSTITUTE for  
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## Downriver Campus

### EMS Instructor Coordinator Class

The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE) hosted an EMS Instructor Coordinator class focused on preparing participants to effectively deliver EMS education up to the paramedic level. The course emphasized instructional techniques, evaluation methods, and testing strategies essential for training future first responders.



### Downriver Campus



#### Town Hall Meeting

The Downriver Campus hosted a Town Hall meeting led by Senator Darrin Camilleri.



# **GIL ASHBY**

## *The Journey: Preservation of History*

The School of Continuing Education presented the opening reception and artist lecture for “The Journey: Preservation of History by Gil Ashby” at the Brown and Juanita C. Ford Art Gallery at the Northwest Campus. Attendees explored Ashby’s compelling works, reflecting on heritage, identity, and the importance of remembering the past. The event celebrated Ashby’s vision and highlighted the gallery as a space for education, dialogue, and community connection. The exhibition is on display through May 29, 2026.



*“Gil Ashby and Sabrina Nelson delighted the visitors who listened to the essence of Ashby’s evolution as an artist and art professor, for the discussion revealed technical and basic aspects of how Ashby creates!”*

*Sherry Washington  
 WCCCD Art Curator*



# Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus

## Language Institute

The Language Institute supported a high number of students from Arabic, German and ESL classes as they prepared for midterm exams, received academic support and guided practice sessions.



## Campus Leadership Meeting

Campus leadership met to discuss upcoming activities for Student Ambassadors in the Summer 2026 semester. Student Ambassadors play a vital role in informing students about the array of resources available to support their success.



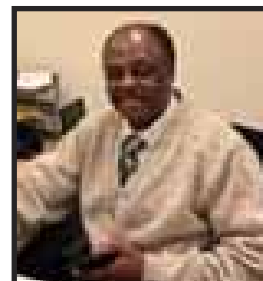
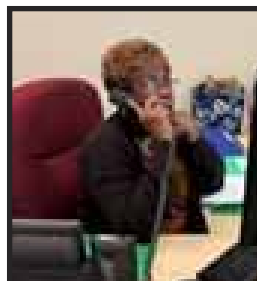
## Office of Instructions

The Office of Instruction hosted an Early Alert Recognition Event. The purpose of this event was to express appreciation to faculty who submitted their Early Alert grades and to provide support and assistance to those who had not yet completed the process.



## GED

The GED team is gearing up for the launch of the new Wayne/RESA Women's program this month.



# CURTIS L. IVERY HWECC

Health & Wellness  
Education Center



## Vibrant Health

The HWECC hosted the April session of the Vibrant Health workshop series focused on a plant based diet and mind-body wellness.

## Short Circuit Class

Short Circuit is a new high energy class at the HWECC that focuses on total body strength, cardio and mobility all in 30 minutes.



## HWECC Budget Development

Mike Dotson met with the HWECC staff to review the 2026-27 Budget Development Process and timelines.



# Northwest Campus



During a field trip to the Zekelman Holocaust Center, students examined the events of the Holocaust through the lens of social psychology.



Furquan Ahmed, Northwest Campus President, alongside members from the Division of Human Resources and other administrators, conducted interviews with several candidates as part of efforts to grow and strengthen the WCCCD team.



The Northwest Campus was pleased to present a collaborative screening of *Ruth & Boaz*, bringing together students and community members for engaging discussions and educational reflection.

# Ted Scott Campus



The Ted Scott Campus hosted Bridge Orientation and Registration Seminar. Participants were provided an overview and update of different aspects of the Bridge program and career opportunities.



Instructor Basharat demonstrates key techniques and guides students through hands-on learning in the classroom.

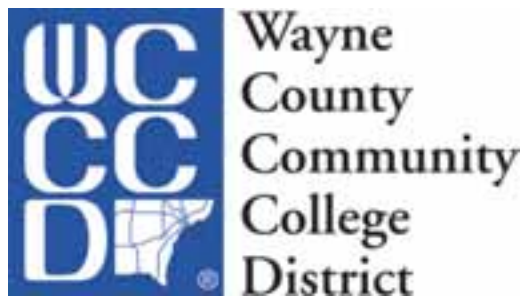
# Eastern Campus

## Faculty Meeting

The Water Research advisors—Dr. Christian Nwamba, Dr. Curtis Greene, and Professor Lela Kennedy—reviewed potential student applications for the Summer 2026 semester



# 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

