

Summer Water Research Program

The 2026 Summer Water Analysis Research Project continues as students collect and analyze water samples from the Detroit River. The project provides hands-on research experience while advancing environmental stewardship and water quality studies.



Education Programs Collaborative



I met with Trustee Sharon P. Scott, Wayne-Westland Community Schools District Superintendent Dr. Catherine Cost, Glenn Shaw of the Westland Community Foundation, and members of my Executive Leadership Team to discuss collaborative opportunities to amplify educational programs offered by the District.



Pictured from Left to Right: Dr. CharMaine Hines, Krupa Patel, Grace Kowalski, Trustee Sharon P. Scott, Matt Green, Glenn Shaw, Dr. Curtis Ivery and Dr. Catherine Cost.

University Partnerships

I met with Dr. Brendan Kelly, the 24th President of Eastern Michigan University, and Chad Newton, Chief Executive Officer of the Wayne County Airport Authority, to discuss opportunities to enhance our partnership through expanded transfer pathways and innovative initiatives that support student success.



Pictured from Left to Right: Dr. Curtis Ivery, Dr. Brendan Kelly and Chad Newton.



Supporting Financial Literacy Programs

I met with State Representative Helena Scott and Florise Neville-Ewell, founder of the 10CORE® Law Society, to discuss expanding housing and financial literacy opportunities for community members.



Pictured from Left to Right: Dr. Yvette Anderson, Dr. Curtis Ivery, Dr. CharMaine Hines, State Representative Helena Scott and Florise Neville-Ewell.



I participated in the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART) Board Meeting. Some of the agenda items included:

- Chairperson's Report
- General Manager's Report
- Board Briefings
- Financial Report
- New Business Items



Faculty Technology Support

Staff are assisting faculty with the new Microsoft 365 platform. They also provide support with questions related to the new My Wildcat Portal and Blackboard.

Faculty members may contact the Faculty Support Service at 313-496-2519 or email MS365FacultySupport@wccd.edu for assistance.

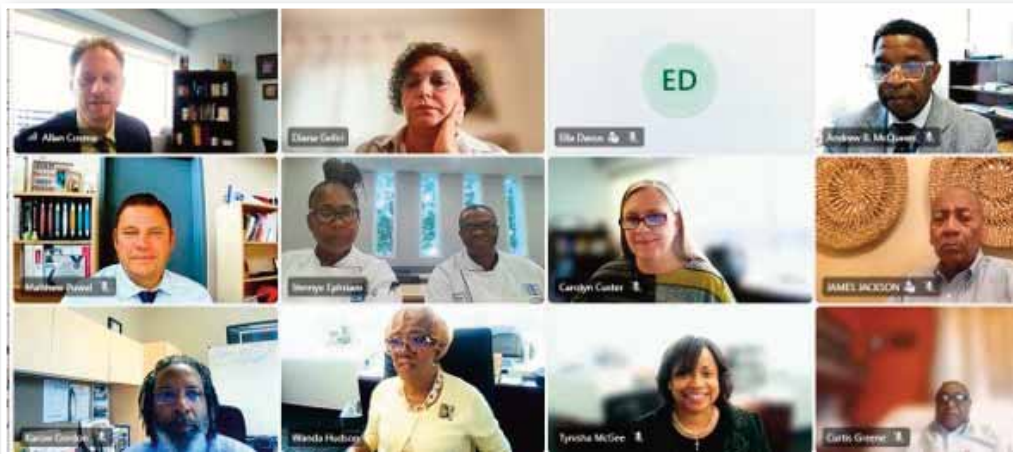




Division of Educational Affairs

Curriculum Committee Meeting

The Curriculum Committee convened to review and approve modifications to selected Computer Information Systems (CIS) courses to ensure alignment with current industry standards, emerging technologies, and transfer requirements. The committee also received a presentation on the proposed Culinary Arts certificate pathway, including stackable credentials and a presentation on the Aircraft Maintenance Program.



Culinary Arts Program

Staff from the Division of Educational Affairs and the Northwest Campus met to discuss the expansion of the Culinary Arts Program.

Discipline Leads Meeting

The Discipline Leads Meeting featured a collaborative roundtable discussion focused on academic planning, program development, and student success initiatives across disciplines.





Keeping Seniors Active and Engaged

Students participating in the School of Continuing Education's Summer 2026 Senior Silver Circle Program are choosing from a wide-range of course offerings. Designed specifically for senior citizens, the Silver Circle Program features courses that promote personal growth, enhance professional skills and foster social engagement.



Northwest Campus



WCCCD Dental Hygiene Faculty and Students Serving the Community

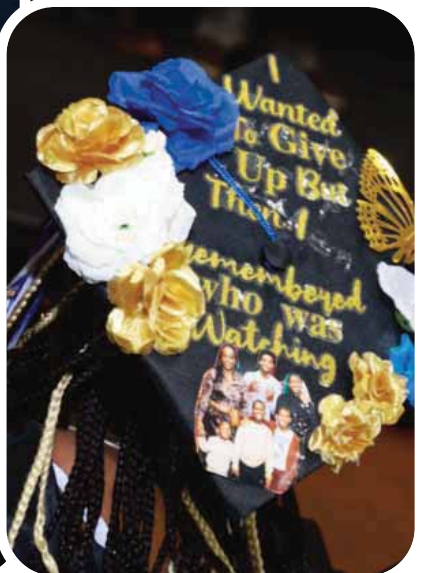
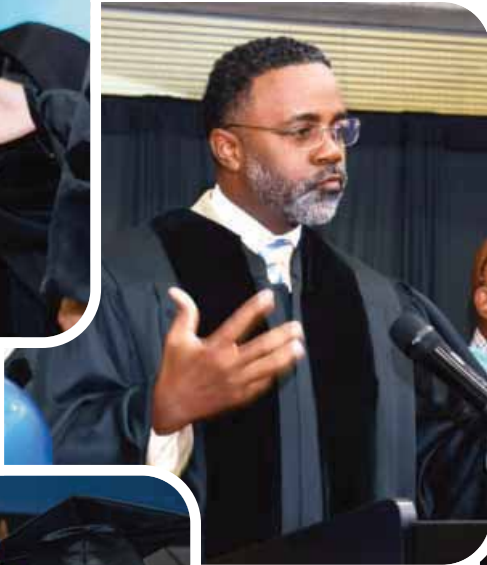


Sonya Taylor, Melissa Weinert, Monica Monroe, and dental hygiene students volunteered their time and expertise in support of the 2026 Mission of Mercy Dental Event held in Kalamazoo, Michigan, where free dental care was provided to members of the community. Services included dental cleanings, extractions, fillings, crowns, partials and dentures, as well as oral health education and preventive care information.

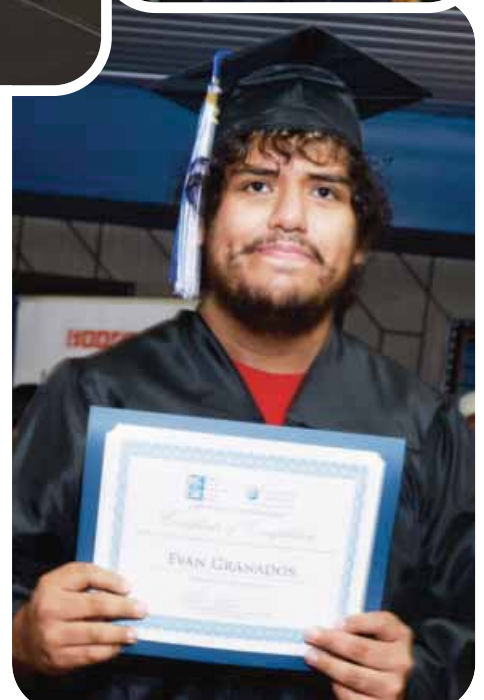
The Mission of Mercy event brought together dental professionals, educators, and students from across the state with a shared commitment to improving access to oral healthcare for underserved populations. Through their service, WCCCD representatives helped make a meaningful difference in the lives of hundreds of individuals while demonstrating the District's dedication to community engagement.



2026 Adult Education Graduation Ceremony



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Division of Student Services



Admissions and Records

Staff continue to assist students registering for the Fall Semester.



Dr. Brian Singleton met with the team and addressed significant District Student Services topics, including discussion of the following areas:

- Campus Alignment
- Fall 2026 registration
- Career Planning and Placement
- Outreach Centers



Student Success!



Student Success Center

The District Student Success Center Team offers detailed information on student support services to new students scheduled for the Summer 2026 semester, including Brainfuse Tutoring, Office 365, My Wildcat Portal, Student Success Toolkit, and Student Success Workshops.



MiCUP

WCCCD students took part in the Michigan College and University Partnership (MiCUP) at Michigan Technological University. At the conclusion of the seven-week research program, MiCUP scholars presented their research findings.



Division of Student Services

Professional Closet

WCCCD hosted a Professional Closet at Considine Center for the community and the Summer Discovery Program. This program allows students to have access to free professional clothing to help them prepare for college, interviews, internships, and future careers. The initiative empowered students to build confidence while reinforcing the importance of professional presentation and career readiness.



Recruitment and Outreach

The Outreach and Recruitment Team is planning and preparing for our Summer 2026 programs.



Dual Enrollment Program

The Dual Enrollment team had their year-round planning meeting for the Fall 2026 and Spring 2027 semesters.



Division of Student Services



New Student Experience

Harmoni Barbour, Isaiah Hodges, and Malik White recently participated in the New Student Experience (NSE) program, where they received individualized support to begin their studies at WCCCD. The program assisted them with setting up their My Wildcat Portal account, registering for Fall semester classes, understanding the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA), and accessing campus resources. NSE helps new students navigate the transition to college, fostering confidence and readiness for academic success. It offers an effective introduction to campus life and encourages students to ask questions as they start their college journey.



International Students

Staff continue to assist students with registering for the Fall 2026 semester.



Financial Aid

The District Student Services and Financial Aid Team reviewed the new Financial Aid Self-Service portal.



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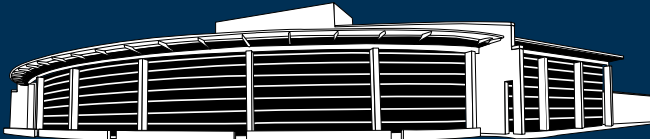
LIGHTLEAP AI

As Illuminate sets, Helios rises.

Integration & AI agents for higher education

LightLeap AI

The District Student Services team successfully rolled out LightLeap AI during a training session, introducing the application as a new tool to enhance and streamline the application-processing workflow for prospective and incoming students.



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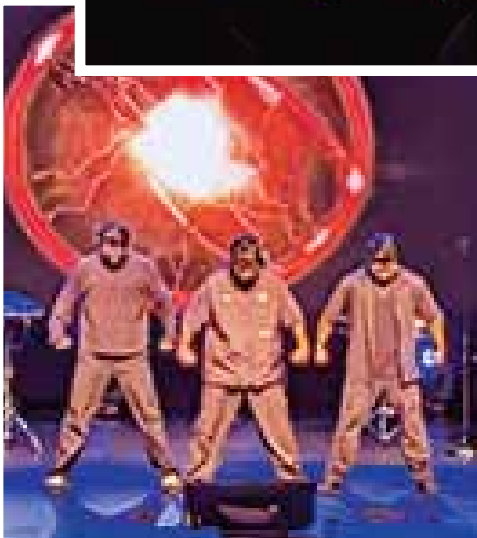
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Performing Arts Center

Downriver Campus

Performing Arts Programming

The Heinz C. Prechter Educational and Performing Arts Center at Downriver Campus continues to showcase the District's commitment to quality performing arts programming. By hosting a variety of cultural and artistic events, the Center enhances the student experience while strengthening WCCCD's connection to the communities it serves.



Professional Development

THE POWER OF CALM: Navigating Anxiety For Peak Performance

Staff from across the District participated in a professional development workshop at the Northwest Campus featuring Greg Dunmore and Dr. Michele Leno. Their presentation, "The Power of Calm: Navigating Anxiety for Peak Performance," provided practical strategies for managing stress and anxiety. During this engaging and interactive session, participants explored evidence-based tools for building resilience, enhancing well-being, and turning everyday challenges into opportunities for personal and professional success.

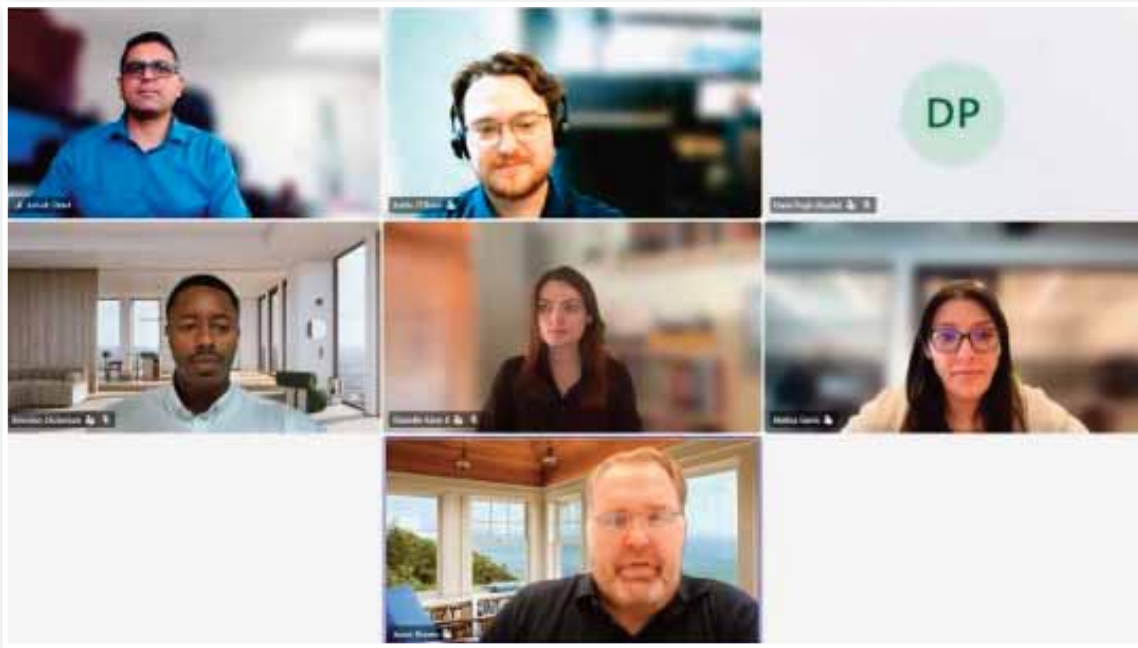


Dell Technology Wave 2026

Staff from the Division of Information Technology attended the Dell Technology Wave 2026 Conference.



Division of Information Technology



IT, CDW-G and Apple Education Meeting

Staff met with representatives from CDW-G and Apple Education to discuss current and future trends, as well as hardware refreshes for Mac Labs District-wide.



**IT Network Infrastructure
Team Meeting**

**Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus
Blue Light Emergency Phone Repair**





District Police Authority



Deputy Chief Pride Johnson congratulates Sergeant Mia Spruce on her recent promotion and thanks her for her dedicated service and continued commitment to the WCCCD Police Authority.



Supervisors and officers gather before each shift to review assignments, discuss operational updates, and prepare for a safe, effective, and productive patrol.



CULTURAL ENRICHMENT



Arab Cultural Meeting



The Arab Cultural Meeting featured engaging discussions on the significance of Ashura within Islamic history and tradition, while examining the history, cultures, and heritage of Syria, Lebanon, and Qatar. Participants also enjoyed traditional Arab cuisine, providing an opportunity to experience an important expression of the region's cultural heritage. The session fostered cultural appreciation and a deeper understanding of the traditions, diversity, and enduring contributions of the Arab world.

VIRTUAL Intercultural Conversations

This week's Virtual Intercultural Conversations focused on National Caribbean American Heritage Month, Pride Month, and Ashura. Dr. Fidelis D'Cunha opened the session by discussing the significance of each observance. Dr. Karen Davis shared photographs and reflections from her travels to Haiti and Barbados, providing insights into Caribbean history, culture, and daily life. Nijhum Chakraborty concluded the program with a presentation on Ashura, examining its significance within Islamic tradition and how it is observed. The session promoted cultural awareness, meaningful dialogue, and a deeper appreciation of diverse global traditions.



DR. RANDALL MILLER'S CORNER



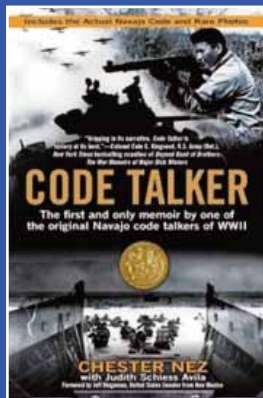
Grasping the Reality of Leadership

We can all recount stories about successful people who share that luck had a lot to do with their successes in life- being in the right place at the right time with the right skill sets. Looking more deeply at those kinds of modest claims, we are also likely to have learned that, in the end, most people tend to get to where they are supposed to be.

Henry Cloud notes in his book *Integrity*, that if people “make it, there was a reason, and if they don’t there was one too.” Despite exceptional strokes of luck and circumstances or awful tragedies that impact people’s lives, it is important to understand that ultimately reality rules.

Since we know that telling the truth is fundamental to success in life, what other factors impact whether or not people reach their full potential? The answer is complicated but essential to understanding how to be an effective leader. It involves being in touch with the reality of what is, and not what we wish things would be.

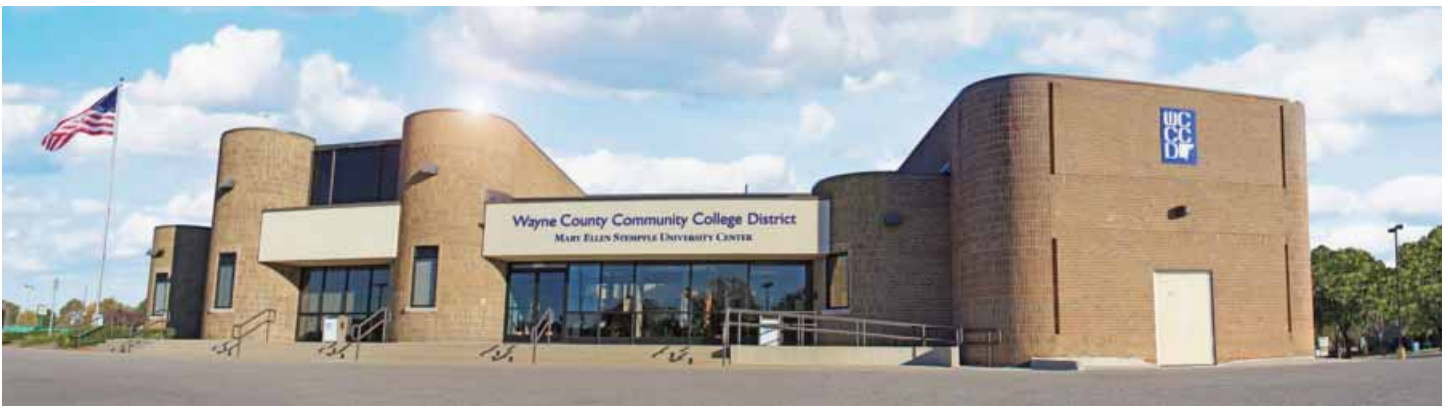
Jim Collins in his book, *Good to Great*, emphasizes the importance of “confronting the brutal facts: the principle that success can only be built through seeing reality clearly and facing it.” Sometimes this may mean that leaders must be honest enough to accept that they may have some blind spots. This is all part of grasping the reality of leadership along life’s pathway.



Book Recommendation

Code Talker: The first and only memoir by one of the original Navajo code talkers of WWII

Written by Chester Nez



Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center

Dual Enrollment Program

The Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center welcomed back the Chandler Park Academy dual enrollment students for the Summer semester.

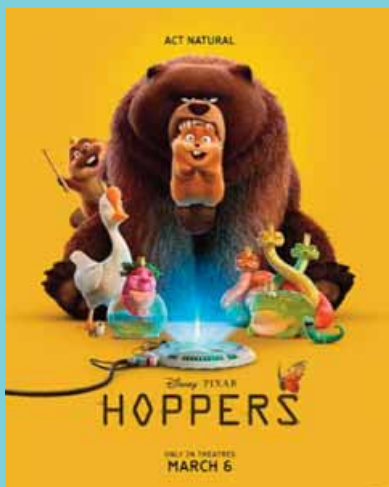


Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors

The Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors participated in a professional development workshop.



Movie Night!



Participants enjoyed an evening of family entertainment and educational activities during the showing of the movie, *Hoppers*. 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.



Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus



Detroit Urban League Workshop

Seniors explored how their existing experiences and transferable skills, such as communication, teamwork, problem-solving, leadership, and reliability, can be applied across various industries and job roles. Representatives discussed current employment trends, employer expectations, and strategies for highlighting these skills when seeking employment.



Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus Summer 2026 Internship Program

During this week's professional development workshop, interns focused on how to prioritize tasks using common techniques from prioritization tools and techniques.



Department of Elections Training Session

The City of Detroit Department of Elections held training sessions to prepare poll workers on the processes and procedures to work polls for upcoming elections.



Learning Resource Center

As part of a collection refresh, library staff made space for new Fall 2026 titles by offering selected books to students at no cost.

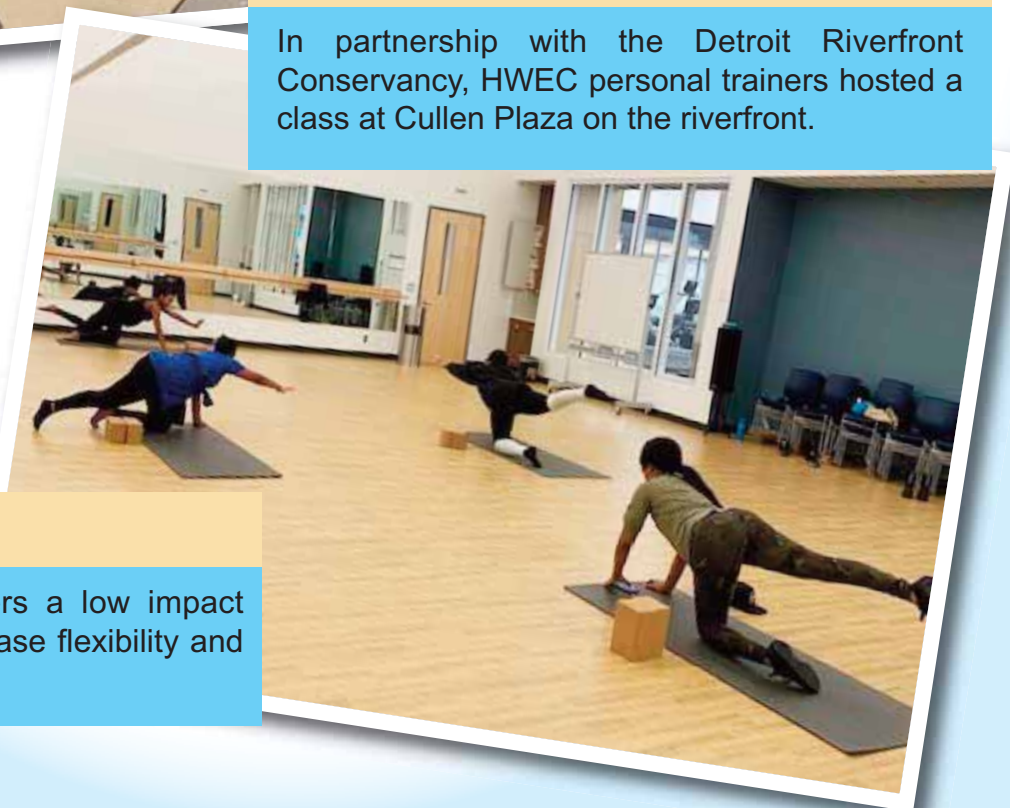
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Health & Wellness
Education Center



Promoting Community Wellness

In partnership with the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy, HWEC personal trainers hosted a class at Cullen Plaza on the riverfront.



Mat Pilates

Mat pilates offers members a low impact workout that helps to increase flexibility and improve core strength.

Downriver Campus



Student Services

Staff continue to support students through enrollment assistance and campus resources. We remain committed to promoting student success and ensuring access to essential services.



Reinvigorating Your PLC Networking

The Wayne RESA Reinvigorating Your PLC Networking program introduced the principles of adult learning and facilitation strategies for leading a professional learning community.



Wayne RESA Training for Coaches

Wayne RESA held its Reading Apprenticeship 4 All Learners (RA4ALL) Training for Coaches workshop designed to accelerate reading and academic achievement in 8th and 9th graders reading below grade level.



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**MICHIGAN INSTITUTE for
PUBLIC SAFETY**
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Downriver Campus

Downriver Mutual Aid SWAT Rappelling Training

The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE) hosted Downriver Mutual Aid SWAT for team training. They accessed the trailer home for entries, and some of the open areas for team movements.



Marathon Petroleum's Emergency Response Team (ERT) Training

This training course consisted of instructions to educate driver/operators of Marathon Petroleum's ERT who are responsible for operating apparatus equipped with fire pumps and on flowing foam.



MIPSE Meeting

The MIPSE team met to discuss instructional processes and dual enrollment articulations, as well as unassigned faculty for the upcoming Fall 2026 semester.



Campus Maintenance Hydrant Repair



Eastern Campus



Welding Class

A candid look into our welding lab, Professor Anthony LaForest and students are deep in conversation to understand the day's project and lesson.



The Art of Makeup



Students in the Continuing Education Art Of Makeup class learned about the five different skin types and understanding each unique characteristic for make up application.



Gamma Phi Sorority National Leadership Conference Training

The Eastern Campus welcomed Gamma Phi Delta Sorority, Incorporated for its National Leadership Conference Training.



Division of Workforce and Economic Development

Summer Robotics

Students are very enthusiastic about beginning the Summer Robotics course. This program provides more than just an introduction to robotics; it also emphasizes the importance of workplace safety, industry standards, and hands-on technical skills.



STUDENT SUCCESS

Success continues for students in the Commercial Driver's License Program. Graduates are one step closer to a professional trucking career.



Aerospace Career Education Academy

The Northwest Campus hosted the Organization of Black Aerospace Professionals Aerospace Career Education Academy. Participants explored aviation history, aerodynamics, government roles in aviation, and career pathways including pilot, air traffic control, airport management, aircraft maintenance, and military aviation.



Northwest Campus



CPR Training for Students

Staff from the Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education provided a CPR training class for students at the Northwest Campus.



Detroit Home Buyers Club

The Northwest Campus hosted a HUD Certified Housing Counseling workshop, in partnership with the Detroit Home Buyers Club. This workshop focused on financial readiness, credit improvement, and homeownership opportunities.

Campus Operations Meeting



Community Partnerships



Staff met with Adam Hollier and Linda Little from the Neighborhood Service Organization to discuss details of the Hometown Summit, which will be held at the Northwest Campus.



Meeting with community members to discuss offering a self-defense workshop for local residents.

Ted Scott Campus



Boat America Boating Certificate Seminar

The School of Continuing Education presented a monthly workshop for the community on boaters' safety at the Ted Scott Campus. Participants will have the opportunity to receive their boater certificate once completing the class and taking a test.



Fall Registration



Educational Opportunities

Matthew Green met with Dr. Wazne to discuss new educational opportunities in drone maintenance

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

