

Community College 101

We were pleased to have Dr. Randall Miller facilitate a Community College 101 professional development session for staff across the District. Participants gained a deeper understanding of our mission, history, and the unique responsibilities of serving a comprehensive, multi-campus institution.

The session also highlighted the vital role each employee plays in advancing student success, fostering collaboration, and delivering high-quality educational opportunities.

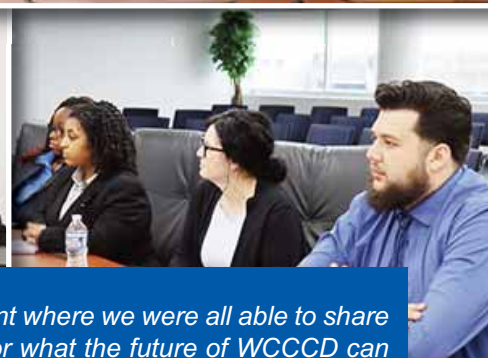


Dr. Randall Miller



"This session proved that great sessions are not just about listening, they are about engaging, asking questions and learning together. Dr. Miller thank you for making every participant's opinion count. Your ability to encourage everyone to share their thoughts is truly appreciated."

~Azra Livadic



"Dr. Miller created a collaborative environment where we were all able to share our experiences and ideas, brainstorming for what the future of WCCCD can look like." ~Nasim Emambakhsh

Workforce Development Initiatives Meeting



Dennis Archer Jr.

I met with Dennis Archer Jr., Chairman and CEO of Sixteen42 Ventures, to discuss strategies for enhancing workforce development initiatives that align education and training with the needs of high-demand industries.



Exemplary Partnership Award

I am truly humbled and honored to receive the Exemplary Partnership Award from the Black Caucus Foundation of Michigan. This meaningful recognition reflects the strength of collaboration and our collective commitment to expanding opportunities and improving the lives of the communities we proudly serve.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The District hosted a community outreach program. Participants learned about WCCCD's academic programs, workforce training opportunities, student support services, and registration.



Northwest Campus



Regional leaders from across Southeast Michigan convened at the Northwest Campus for the Hometown Summit: A Vision for Affordable Housing. The forum, designed to promote regional dialogue and innovative solutions to expand affordable housing opportunities, featured keynote speaker former U.S. Secretary Marcia L. Fudge, alongside Trustee Scott Holiday, State Senator Adam Hollier, State Representative Mary Waters, and Furquan Ahmed.



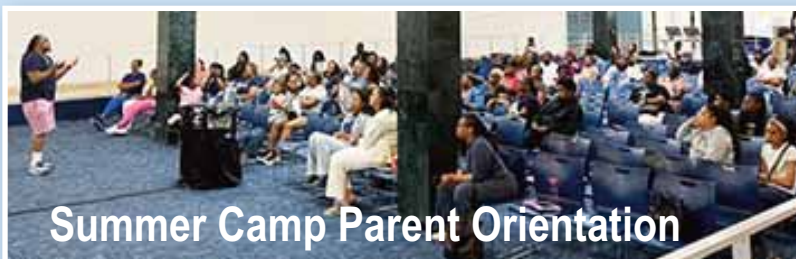
Civic Engagement Community Outreach

The Northwest Campus hosted a Civic Engagement Community Outreach Program to connect residents with community resources, promote civic participation, and provide information on educational opportunities and public services available.



36th District Court Graduation

The 36th District Court held its graduation ceremony recognizing participants who successfully completed the requirements of a specialty court program.



Summer Camp Parent Orientation

Keys 2 Life held an orientation to prepare parents and guardians for the upcoming Keys 2 Life Performing Arts Summer Day Camp.

District-Wide Campus Alignment Meeting

Members of my Executive Leadership Team met to discuss:

- Summer II Classes
- Fall Semester Preparations
- Promotion of Programs
- Enhanced Admission Application Security Processes

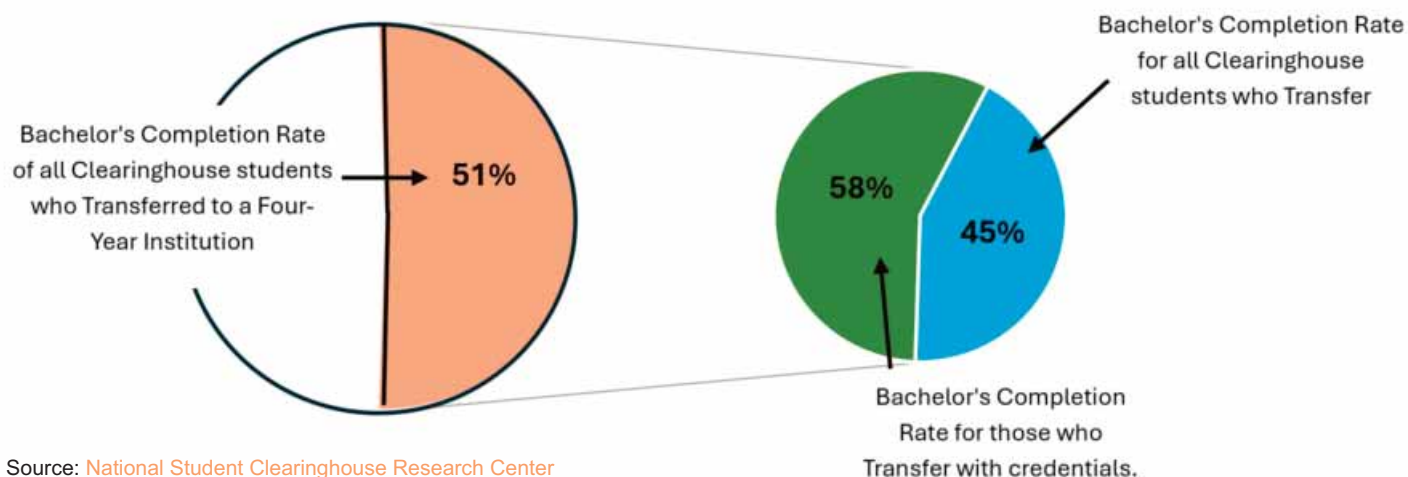




Institutional Effectiveness Evaluates Transfer Outcomes

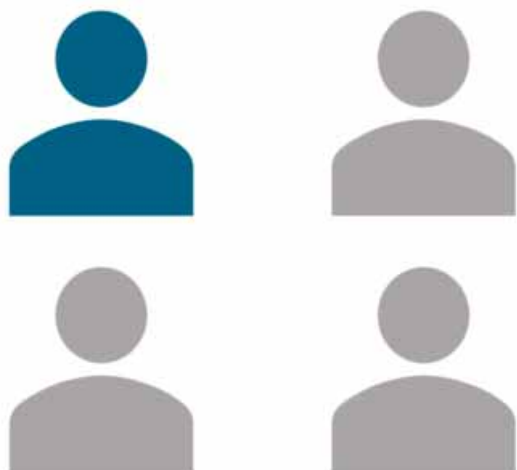
The Division of Institutional Effectiveness (IE) continues to gather graduate feedback and complete trend analysis to determine how well WCCCD met its student success goals. Post graduate outcomes analysis includes time to completion of an award, degree and certificate level completion, and transfer rates.

According to the Tracking Transfer Report from the National Student Clearinghouse Research Center, 34.1% of community college transfer students attended a public four-year institution. Out of those, 51.1% earned a bachelor's degree within six years.



WCCCD's Graduate Exit Survey shows that 34% of the students were pursuing further education and 55% plan on pursuing further education in the future.

About one in four students who graduated last year have transferred to a four-year college or university



The top five four-year institutions that students transferred to according to survey responses:



Program Highlight

EMT Program Prepares Students for Emergency Medical Services Careers

Students in the Emergency Medical Technology (EMT) Program are acquiring educational experiences in emergency medical care through the integration of knowledge and essential practical skills to become competent with patient assessment/management for medical and trauma patients. The program combines classroom instruction with real-world training, preparing students to respond effectively in high-pressure life threatening emergencies.



Sewing Class

Students are learning the fundamentals of sewing while fostering their creativity through hands-on instruction.

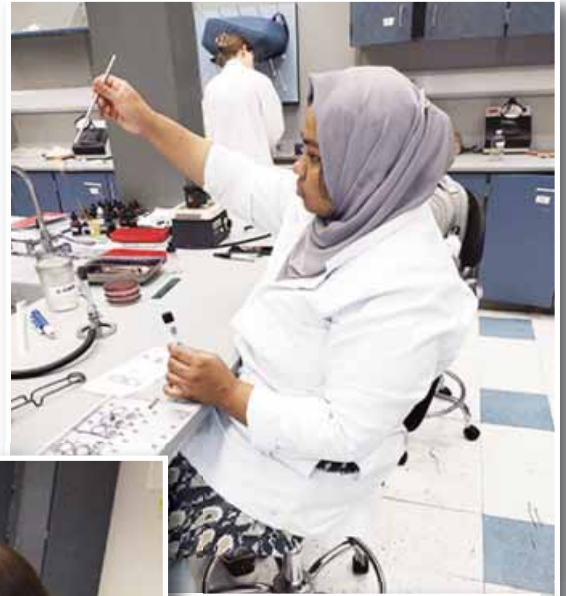


New Program!

The School of Continuing Education is pleased to introduce our new DIY Tiling and Drywall Workshop. The program is designed for individuals seeking hands-on experience and practical skills in the art of tiling and drywall installation. This workshop will cover the basics to get students ready to tackle projects of their own.

Summer Water Research Program

Students participating in the 2026 Summer Water Analysis Research Project are preparing water samples for testing and recording as part of their final projects.



Division of Student Services

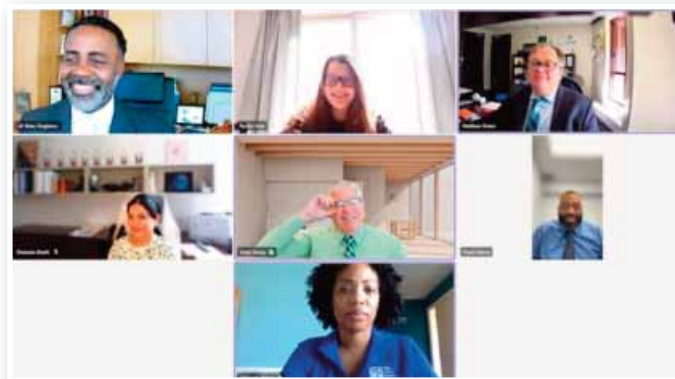


Outreach and Recruitment



Dual Enrollment, Recruitment, and Outreach District Alignment Meeting

WCCCD is partnering with Wayne County Corrections to support successful community reintegration through educational access and opportunities.



Dual Enrollment Program

Staff from the Division of Student Services is reviewing Fall 2026 dual enrollment admission applications to ensure all high school information is prepared and ready for the high school students.



Records

The Record Office is conducting a transcript review and audit to verify transfer credit from multiple universities and ensure students receive proper credit posting before Fall 2026 registration.



Fall Registration Continues

Staff continue to assist students with registering for the Fall Semester.

Division of Student Services



Veteran Affairs

Did you know? On June 23, we celebrate the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary's birthday. Established in 1939, its dedicated volunteers promote boating safety, support maritime missions, and strengthen communities through service.



New Student Experience

The New Student Experience Team gathered to plan an end-of-year celebration honoring first-year students at WCCCD and to put the finishing touches on the 2026–2027 Student Success Workshop Series calendar.

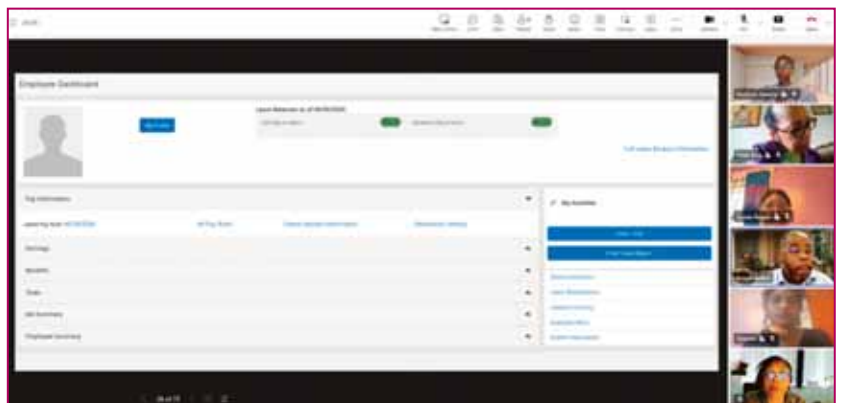


Supporting Student Success

Staff are assisting students with their Plans of Work and registration ensuring they have a successful start to the Fall semester.

Federal Work-Study Program

The Federal Work-Study Office is onboarding prospective students for the upcoming academic year. Orientation sessions cover program policies, employment expectations, payroll procedures, timesheet requirements, and professional conduct.



Division of Student Services



Career Planning and Placement

The Career Planning and Placement Office is preparing for the Fall 2026 job fair events.

Michigan College and University Partnership



WCCCD students participating in the Michigan College and University Partnership (MiCUP), a seven-week STEM research program at Michigan Technological University in Houghton, joined peers from other community colleges on their last day for a closing session. Staff met with coordinators from Michigan Tech, Grand Rapids, Delta, and Keweenaw Bay community colleges to plan strategies for the upcoming academic year.



Phi Theta Kappa

PTK honor student and alumnus Garrick Smith addressed the graduates of the Prosperous Detroit 2026 Spring Entrepreneurship Cohort at the Detroit Food Co-Op. We are proud of Mr. Smith and his achievements and encourage him to continue his excellent work.



Weekly Information Session

Carlton Daniel presented staff with updates on records and electronic transcripts. The National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) offers a secure, fast online ordering system that simplifies the process of sending transcripts. Orders can be placed 24/7, including weekends and holidays, with credit or debit card payments processed directly through NSC. Students may access this service via their My Wildcat Portal or directly with NSC.

Division of Human Resources

HR Compliance: Comprehensive Staffing Plan

In preparation for staffing alignment for the fiscal year 2026-2027, the Division of Human Resources (HR) is currently reviewing the following on its comprehensive staffing plan:

- Evaluating District Staffing Needs
- Performance Evaluations
- Segregation of Duties
- Credential and Background Checks
- Simplifying Processes, Implementation and Technology
- Job Description
- Staff Training and Professional Development
- Verification of Payroll and Accounting



Professional Development



Stephanie Jones attended the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) and ASCD Annual Conference. This conference brought together educators from K-12 and higher education to share innovative instructional practices, emerging technologies, and research-based strategies.



Corporal Mia Spruce and Amina Kamber represented the District at the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators (IACLEA) Annual Conference in Orlando, Florida.

Skilled Trades and Certificate Programs Meeting



This week, I met with members of my team to discuss skilled trades and certificate programs.



Building Community Relationships



Staff from across the District attended the final Pancakes and Politics Forum, which featured a CEO roundtable with Jeff Donofrio, President and CEO of Business Leaders for Michigan; Joi Harris, President and CEO of DTE Energy; and David Coulter, County Executive of Oakland County. During the roundtable, the panel discussed key issues affecting the region, including workforce development, education, entrepreneurship, regional transportation, and the expanding data center industry.

Division of Information Technology

Faculty Technology Support Team

Staff from the Division of Information Technology met to discuss strategies to enhance support faculty in transitioning to newly migrated systems and effectively navigating current institutional platforms.

System support includes, but is not limited to, Microsoft 365, Blackboard, email services, and the My Wildcat Portal.



Tech Talk – Virtual Desktop Infrastructure (VDI)

Campus support technicians attended the monthly Tech Talk session this week. The session highlighted operational VDI updates, focusing on improving workflow through new processes and best practices. Key topics included the introduction of the new VDI request form, required preliminary troubleshooting steps, and more.

District-wide Campus Technical Support



Program Highlight

STEM~Sciences

Increasing the number of college students who earn STEM credentials and enter STEM careers remains a national priority. Students enrolled in various courses across the District are exploring diverse topics pertaining to STEM including the Sciences (microbiology, anatomy, physiology, and more). The courses include lab activities and lectures to provide students with the tools needed to apply the learned concepts to their everyday lives.



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 of these include:



**PLANNING AND
CONSTRUCTION**



**MECHANICAL
SYSTEMS
MAINTENANCE**



**PROPERTY
MANAGEMENT**



**MANAGEMENT OF
EXTERIOR AND
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**STUDENT
INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS**



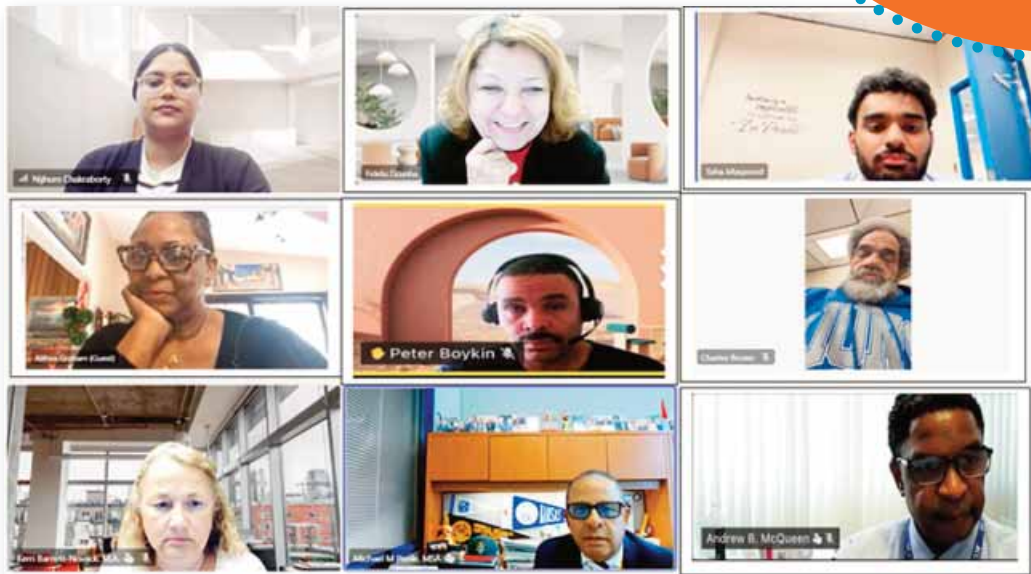
Downriver Campus Beautification

Trustee Susan Steeby and Andy Steeby planted flowers to create a welcoming atmosphere for students, faculty, and visitors.



Ted Scott Campus

Staff are making hard at work making enhancements throughout the campus.



This week's Virtual Intercultural Conversations celebrated French American Heritage Month, U.S. Independence Day, and Canada Day through engaging presentations highlighting the shared history and cultural connections among France, the United States, and Canada. The session opened with a musical prelude curated by Dr. Fidelis D'Cunha, followed by a presentation on the lasting French influence in North America and Detroit's French heritage. Taha Maqsood highlighted the significance of the United States' 250th anniversary of independence in 2026, while the Canada Day presentation explored the nation's history, government, multicultural identity, and the traditions observed each year on July 1.



Division of Workforce and **Economic Development** **Student Success!**

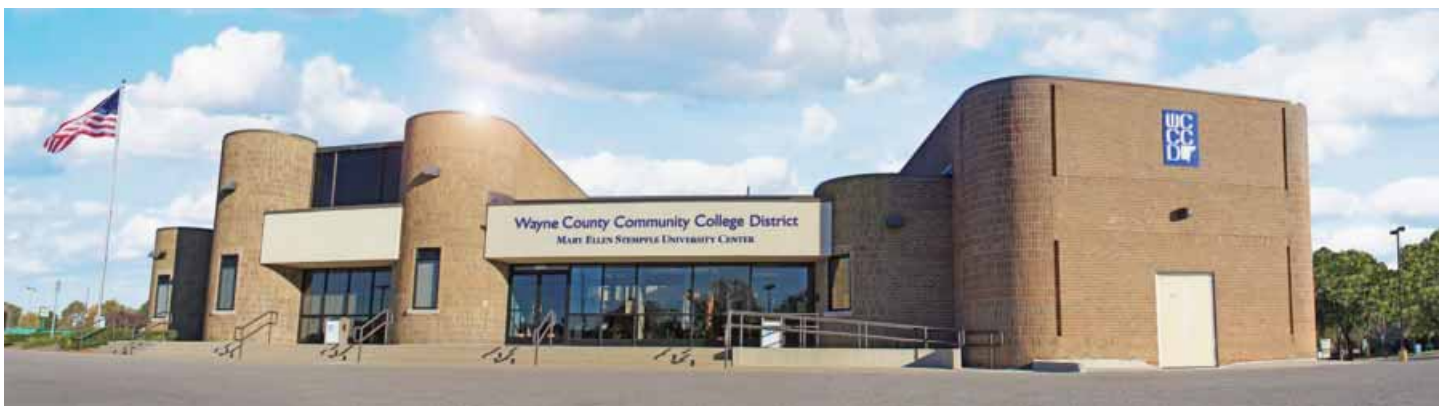
Ime Umana, one of WCCCD's outstanding Civil Tech Engineering Program students, secured a paid internship with MDOT. Mr. Umana is now gaining hands-on experience working on real-world civil engineering projects.

Program Highlight

Students Power Ahead in Electrical Electronics Engineering Technology

Students in the Electrical Electronics Engineering Technology Program are gaining valuable skills in the installation, maintenance, troubleshooting, and repair of electronic equipment used in manufacturing.





Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center



Online Learning Innovation

Members of the Educational Affairs team met with representatives from McGraw Hill to explore ways we can enhance the virtual lab experience for students in our fully online science courses.



American Sign Language

The American Sign Language Program offers students immersive and interactive learning experiences. Students are practicing their signing skills in a collaborative environment.

Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus



Pathways to Excellence

This session empowered young African American males by enhancing their leadership skills and fostering a strong sense of identity and purpose through personal values, cultural heritage, and leadership styles, and gaining insights into various career paths and skills for success.



Tri-Beta Meeting

WCCCD's TriBeta National Biological Xi Alpha Chapter held its first meeting of the 2026/2027 academic year. Students elected officers, discussed volunteer opportunities, and details concerning the Water Research Project.



Addiction Studies-Mental Health Program Meeting

Staff met with Dr. Andre' Johnson, CEO of Detroit Recovery Project, and Professor Tasha Williams to continue collaborating on program modification and development for mental health and human services.



Summer Internship Program

During this week's professional development workshop, our interns learned about the importance of customer service and professional dress in the workplace.

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Health & Wellness
Education Center



Summer Swish Youth Camps

The first week of the Summer Swish Basketball Camp is officially done and this year's participants are already having a great time practicing basketball and volleyball skills with the athletic team.



Core and More

This class helps members to improve core strength through cardio workouts and intentional movements.



Indoor Workouts

Members escape the heat by working out indoors and on the indoor walking/running track.



Downriver Campus



Biology Students

BIO 250 students studied human anatomy and physiology as they reviewed course materials, collaborated with classmates, and prepared for upcoming exams.



Student Services

Staff continue to assist students with enrollment, registration, records, and other essential campus services.



Learning Resource Center

The LRC featured a new book display showcasing a variety of recently added titles. Students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to stop by and discover their next great read.



Summer Interns

Our summer interns are assisting with answering calls and connecting students with campus resources and support services.



WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



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



Downriver Campus

PR & Confined Space Training

The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE) hosted CPR and confined space training, providing hands-on instruction to strengthen emergency response skills and reinforce workplace safety procedures.



Downriver Mutual Aid SWAT - Team Training

The training team accessed the trailer home for entries, and some of the open areas for team movements.



Simulator Pond Maintenance

Simulator pond maintenance ensured the training facility remained safe, functional, and ready for continued use in emergency response simulations.



Eastern Campus



Freud Pump Station Workshop

District 4 provided a community session for residents regarding the Freud Sanitary Pump Station.



Zeta Phi Beta Sorority

Members met to review their 2026 community service calendar.



United Children and Family Head Start Transition Ceremony

The Eastern Campus welcomed the United Children and Family Head Start for a transition ceremony celebrating preschool students as they prepare to move on to kindergarten.



Biology Students

Professor Bertha Bird's class presented their class projects.

Ted Scott Campus



Northwest Campus



WCCCD Student Selected to Participate in ACEN Standards and Criteria Review Process

STUDENT SUCCESS!



Kenise Lynn, a student in the RN Nursing Program, was selected to participate in the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) Standards and Criteria Review Process.

Ms. Lynn was selected from more than 200 applicants nationwide and will help provide student input on future nursing education standards.

We are proud of her accomplishment and grateful for the excellent representation of WCCCD's Nursing Program.

Please join us in congratulating Kenise on this outstanding achievement!

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

