New Board of Trustees Member Roy Edmonds Tours the Ted Scott Campus
I congratulate you on receiving this year’s Benchmark Award, in offering a state-of-the-art Mechatronics Program to an underserved community that will prepare them for future robotics employment opportunities. On behalf of Rev. Jesse Jackson and the entire Rainbow PUSH/CEF team, we are proud to recognize you for implementing this outstanding program. The Benchmark Award will be given during the Business Luncheon on November 14, 2022.

Regards, John A. Graves, Chairman
ACS CE Review
This week, the School of Continuing Education conducted its ACS-Activities Classification Structure Review. The review provides an in depth overview of CE programs that are classified by the Michigan Community College Structure.

CE Program Planning Session
In preparation for the Spring 2023 semester, the School of Continuing Education reviewed and discussed CE program evaluations. This preparation is essential to ensuring quality programs and instruction as well as meeting the learning needs of the community.

All About the Arts
Madelyn Porter
Storyliving-Life is Fine: A Celebration of Life Through the Literacy Works of African Americans
September 14, 2022
Northwest Campus
Construction Trades Training Program

The unions listed are scheduled to visit students in the Construction Trades Training Program this month, to talk about employment opportunities.

CPR Training
Division of Workforce and Economic Development

Infoblox Partnership

All former Infoblox trainees have been invited to join the Google Data Admin Certification Program.

Student Success!

Commercial Driver’s License Training Program

Anton Willis, pictured between CDL-A Instructor Elbe Dunson (left) and CDL-A Graduate turned driving coach, Keith Jones (right) is one of two graduates of the recently concluded CDL-A Program that has been hired by Faygo as a driver’s apprentice.
Student Executive Council ~ Food Pantry

Students stated that it felt like they had won a prize on a game show to be able to come in to get items from the WCCCD Food Pantry at no charge! One student said “you have no idea how much this will help us out!”

Staff met with WCCCD TRiO Alumnus, William Dawkins regarding scheduling a tour of the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus for students at Faxson Academy.

International Students

Staff continue to meet weekly to audit credit hours for international students for the Fall 2022 semester.
Division of Student Services

Professional Development

Dr. Sherry Saggers, Dean of the Physical Therapy Program, was the presenter for the weekly District Student Services Information Session. Dr. Saggers provided a comprehensive introduction of the possibilities for students interested in pursuing a certificate and/or degree in Physical Therapy.

SwiftMD Orientation

Brian Singleton met with students to discuss the benefits of SwiftMD. Benefits include talking to a doctor by phone or video conference 24/7. They can also add their dependents by using the Group Passcode: WCCCD SWIFTMD.

Career Planning and Placement

Members of WCCCD’s Career Planning and Placement team attended the City of Detroit Returning Citizens Job and Resource Service Fair. During the event, a team member met a representative from DTE that would like to hire ten students from our HVAC Program.

Admissions and Records

Staff continue to process degrees for the Spring 2022 semester.

Phi Theta Kappa

Safa Saaidi, Vice President of Fellowship, was the winner of the PTK Game Night for the game titled “PTK Among Us.” Game Night incorporates the PTK chapters from the region and gives students down time while having fun and getting to know one another.
Planning meeting regarding the Health and Job Fair scheduled for October 25, 2022.
Division of Educational Affairs

Pre-Physical Therapy Assistant Program Discussion

Staff met with Dr. Sherry Saggers, Dean of the Pre-Physical Therapy Assistant Program, and Celestine Walker, Associate Dean, to discuss learning resources for the program.

Physical Therapy Training Program

The team met to discuss the status of the Physical Therapy Assistant Program Associate Degree self-study, the lab space build out, and equipment acquisition.

Wayne State University Collaboration

The team met with representatives from Wayne State University to discuss new articulation agreements, early intervention recruitment strategies, and co-curricular collaborations.

Virtual District Instructional Council
  September 15, 2022

Discipline Leads Meeting
  September 16, 2022

Curriculum Committee Meeting
  October 14, 2022

Virtual Career Advisory Committee Breakfast Meeting
  October 28, 2022

Mark Your Calendar! District-wide Conference Day
  October 18, 2022

Collaboration with River Rouge High School

April McCray met with Renita Williams, Principal of River Rouge High School, to finalize the start up of the Fall 2022 Physical Therapy Technician and Criminal Justice programs.
The Eastern Campus classroom upgrades are complete!

Our team is scheduled to proceed with the initiative at the Ted Scott Campus next week.

Technicians assisted the Division of Student Services by facilitating the relocation of the GED Testing Center.
Continuous Quality Improvement

As a part of the Division of Human Resources’ continuous quality improvement efforts, a comprehensive analysis is being conducted in order to facilitate operational efficiency, strengthen alignment, and improve customer service.

Areas currently being reviewed include:

- Position Control
- Leave Time
- Job Description
- Recruitment
- Benefits

Mark Your Calendar!
District-wide Conference Day
October 18, 2022
Welcome back Officer Ryan Farrelly!
Officer Farrelly has completed training and is now a member of the Michigan National Guard.

Thank you for your service and dedication!
Partnership Opportunity

Staff met to discuss a new partnership opportunity with the Detroit River Walkers, a part of the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy.

Membership sign-ups at the campuses.

The Wildcat’s Men’s Basketball Team is prepping for the season.

Construction on the new café continues!

Members enjoy a fun fitness bootcamp with trainer Rebecca.
How to be a Better Problem Solver

If we are interested in growing, we cannot only spend time with the familiar and what we like. Instead, we must also seek out the unfamiliar. We can do that by leaving our comfort zone and exploring things that we would not usually pursue, notes Amy E. Herman in *Fixed, How to Perfect the Fine Art of Problem-Solving*. When we figure out what we are drawn to and what repulses us, we will begin to get a more accurate picture of who we are.

As we begin to form a more accurate look at ourselves, warts and all, we will position ourselves to become better problem solvers. When we learn more about and acknowledge our own strengths and weaknesses, we can recognize and confront our own biases and overcome them.

Most of us think we have far fewer biases than the average person, which is a phenomenon known as ‘bias blind spot.’ We tend to overestimate our good qualities and underestimate our bad qualities. The best way to get to the truth we don’t hold to be self-evident about ourselves is to ask our co-workers. Ultimately, gaining that insight will make us better problem solvers.

Building Community Relationships

Nahla Baaqi visited Hampton University Campus in Hampton, Virginia.

Dr. Fidelis D’Cunha represented the District at the International Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in Higher Education Conference hosted by Coventry University. She is pictured with Dr. Ian Dunn, Provost, Chief Academic Officer, and Vice President, Diversity Equity and Inclusion at Coventry University along with Dr. Benjamin Reese, Past President of NADOHE.

Staff from the Division of Student Services participated in the City of Detroit Returning Citizens Job and Resource Service Fair. They provided information on how to obtain a GED.
Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center

Student Success!

Campus Operations Meeting

Harper Woods High School Dual Enrollment Orientation

One Vision, One District, One College
District Alignment Meeting

Technology Training
Staff attended a smart projector technology training. Participants learned how using the smartboards will create collaborative learning, allow them to access films, online resources, and educational software.

Professional Development
Yolanda Russell participated in a webinar titled "Knocking Down the Silos: Real Tools for Building Intentional Relationships Across Campus."
Downriver Campus

Fall 2022 Classes are in Full Swing!
Eastern Campus

Federal Work-Study Orientation

Customer Service at its Best!

Continuing Education Tax Relief Workshop

Student Success!

One Vision, One District, One College
Northwest Campus

Community Partnership Meeting

Detroit Police Department Training

Federal Work-Study Orientation

Sigma Academy

Student Success

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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