Students From Bridge Academy West Explored Careers at the Northwest Campus!

“The trip I took to your college was really fun. The subject that I loved was being a doctor, because I saw students working to be doctors. I hope they are my doctor because they are taking their job seriously. I would like to come back to WCCCD to see more cool jobs people do.” ~ Mohamed

“The FIELD TRIP WAS AMAZING. I loved making cookies and having them with ice cream!!!” ~ Samaa

Principal Raihan Akther

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Students From Bridge Academy West Explored Careers at the Northwest Campus!

“The people who work at WCCCD were very welcoming and kind. We were in different groups and I was in the cooking class. I would go back again but when it’s not Ramadan. I appreciate you taking us there!” ~ Fowzia

One Vision, One District, One College
Trustee Marla Edwards-Wheeler, along with Mayor Patrick Wimbersly and Councilwoman La’Gina Washington from the City of Inkster met with members of the District to discuss educational programming.
The Silver Circle Program is for senior citizens within the community to offer courses that will provide leisure as well as enhance skills.
Members of the Workforce and Economic team met to develop strategies to meet the increased demands of workforce trainings from community partners.

Construction Trades Training Program

Students in the Construction Trades Training Program have completed the program and are on their way to pursue their career goals!
Division of Workforce and Economic Development

Brian Nesbitt
Working for SK & MK Logistics

Albert Robinson
Working as a Switcher for Magna

Marvin Bowie
Working for Trans Am
Command Center

Each week, the Division of Student Services reviews data indicating the number of students who are assisted by the Division.

Admissions and Records

Staff continue to evaluate incoming transcripts.

Financial Aid

The District Financial Aid Office will be updating policies related to the COVID-19 flexibilities that were granted by the Department of Education.

Federal Work-Study Program

Staff continue to orientate students into the FWS Program by providing policies and procedures.

Phi Theta Kappa (PTK)

PTK representatives Tuesday Dixon and Akindele Akinyemi delivered 4,000 folded bags for the Gleaners Stamp Out Hunger community volunteer project.
Michigan College and University Partnership (MiCUP)

The Martin Luther King, Jr. - César Chávez - Rosa Parks (KCP) Initiative is dedicated to supporting under-served students as they transition from community college into a four-year institution by providing critical services like mentoring, academic preparation, financial education and scholarships. MiCUP, a program funded by the King-Chávez-Parks (KCP) Initiative that aims to prepare transfer students for attendance at a four-year institution.

MiCUP Program

Staff is finalizing plans for students traveling to Michigan Technological University for their paid seven-week internship in May.

The Chancellor’s High School Leadership Institute

Members of the Chancellor’s High School Leadership Institute met with representatives from East English Village Preparation Academy to discuss higher education learning for high school students.
Community College of Aurora Site Visit

The Community College of Aurora (CCA) hosted members of the WCCCD team for a site visit after the American Association of Community Colleges 2023 Annual event in Colorado. The visit included a meeting with CCA’s President, Dr. Mordecai Ian Brownlee, and his staff, along with a tour of their campus and amenities.

MCCAO Meeting

Dr. David Beaumont participated in the monthly Michigan College Chief Academic Officer (MCCAO) meeting that featured updates from Michigan Community College Association team members. In addition, the CAO’s discussed the pros and cons of the national movement to create dual enrollment certification.

MODAC Meeting

Allan Cosma attended the Michigan Occupational Deans Administrative Council (MODAC) Conference. Discussion focused on Perkins funding and best practices in formulating a data-driven plan to meet the needs of students in career and technical programs.
Students in the Early Childhood Education Program participated in a seminar titled *The Impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences: Trauma*. This seminar was sponsored by Detroit Wayne Integrated Health Network.

Students in the Early Childhood Education Program also participated in the Lesson Plan Resources, Science and Technology for Infants and Toddlers program held at the St. Paul Tabernacle Head Start building.
Nursing students and faculty attended Implicit Bias training.

Ceremonies and Rituals Committee Meeting

**Phi Theta Kappa Induction Ceremony**
April 28, 2023  6:00 p.m.
Downriver Campus

**Allied Health Pinning Ceremony**
May 5, 2023  6:00 p.m.
Northwest Campus

**Commencement Ceremony**
June 3, 2023  11:00 a.m.
Ford Field
Division of Administration and Finance

General Ledger Closing Process Meeting

The Division of Administration and Finance Team met to review and discuss the General Ledger Closing process.

Kim DiCaro attended the annual "FRÜHLINGSFEST" - a German festival to celebrate the start of spring for the Culinary Arts Program. Traditional German food was all prepared by students in the Culinary Arts Program.
Staff Meeting
Staff met to discuss District-wide initiatives and project updates.
HR Compliance: Fiscal Year-End Assignment Audit

In preparation of the 2023 year-end activities, the Division of Human Resources is working closely with the Divisions of Information Technology and Payroll to ensure that all employee assignments are “rolled over” to the new budgeted fiscal year accurately.

The team is also reviewing staff assignments, job description, qualifications, training and professional development requirements in addition to the following:

- Staff Performance Evaluations 2022-2023
- Reviewing Pathways Contract Renewals
- Personnel File Organization
- Reviewing District Staffing Alignment
- Credential and Background Checks
- Ensuring Compliance with Department of Labor and other related agencies.
This week, we discussed the book *Culture Map* written by Erin Meyer.
There seems to be a never-ending parade of financial scandals all around the world, from Bernie Madoff’s disastrous Ponzi scheme to Sam Bankman-Fried’s FTX Crypto Empire collapse. What the principle players all have in common is an absence of ethics and values and a raging inability to fight temptation.

Madoff and Bankman-Fried’s egocentricity caused them to forget about the bigger picture: the impact of their actions on investors, markets, business partners, and family members. Ignoring that bigger picture and focusing exclusively on self-gratification will never end well, as can be seen in both their cases. But this kind of behavior is applicable for all of us in all our transactions and interactions.

Even when laws exist to fill the gap and police a failure of character, those laws can never do what integrity and values can do for an individual. Ultimately, “there is only one true ‘regulator,’ and that is a person’s character”, notes Dr. Henry Cloud in his book, *Integrity*. When a person’s character lacks integrity, the end result in day-to-day interactions with co-workers and others is the destruction of trust. And when trust is destroyed, there can be no positive outcomes in any human endeavors.
Meeting to finalize plans for the open house scheduled for May 18, 2023.

Members get pumped up with another high energy Zumba class!

The Health and Wellness Education Center hosted a training session for new volunteers of the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy.
Downriver Hazmat Team Training

The Downriver Hazardous Material Response Team’s monthly proficiency training and material update.

Lifeline Ambulance - Coaching Emergency Vehicle Operations (CEVO)

The Downriver Hazardous Material Response Team’s monthly proficiency training and material update.

Fire systems testing at Downriver and Northwest Campuses, as well as the Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education.

Staff continue their weekly inspection at our campus locations to ensure safety protocols are in compliance.

Campus Safety Inspections
Dr Yvette McElroy Anderson attended State Representative Stephanie Young’s Community Conversations. Representative Young provided a Legislative Update and took questions from the community.

WCCCD staff attended the Michigan Community College Association’s Legislative Advocacy Day in Lansing.

They were able to meet with the following State Representatives:

- Donovan McKinney
- Lori Stone
- Mike McFall
- Tyrone Carter
- Helena Scott

Michael Poole represented the District at the Detroit Economic Club Meeting with Ron Clark. Mr. Clark is an innovative educator, speaker, and best-selling author who shared easy-to-implement techniques that inspire employees, and team leaders to work harder and smarter to drive the organization to succeed.
Experience
Virtual Reality

The Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus hosted a hands-on workshop about what the metaverse means in the world of education.

Staff Meeting

Meeting with Faculty
Jamila Sudduth met with Dr. George Lakkis regarding supplies, work orders, scheduling, and upgrades needed for the Electrical Electronic Engineering Program.

AmeriCorps Urban Safety Program
AmeriCorps held its Urban Safety Program at the campus. Attendees discussed youth comp stats and urban safety.
Community Partnerships for High School Students
Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus

The Detroit Public School Community District and LinkedIn partnered with WCCCD to introduce local high school students to the benefits of LinkedIn and to create professional profiles.
The Downriver Campus hosted the Southern Wayne Conference Quiz Bowl weekly competition.

The Downriver Campus hosted the Wayne County Heritage Chapter meeting of American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) meeting.

Student Success!

Uplift Michigan Online School, MSTEP, PSAT, SAT Prep Workshop

Southern Wayne Conference Quiz Bowl

The Downriver Campus hosted the Southern Wayne Conference Quiz Bowl weekly competition.
PrepNET Academy

PrepNET Academy held a workshop at the Eastern Campus for high school students preparing for the SAT and ACT tests.

Preparing for Finals

Art students are working on their final projects for the semester.
Meeting with Chief Bahrija Livadic to discuss District Police Authority initiatives.

One Vision, One District, One College
April is Community College Month. This month provides us the opportunity to broadly share the important impact of our nation’s community colleges. At WCCCD, “community” is a part of our name and who we serve. This week, we are featuring snapshots of WCCCD’s presence and partnerships in the community.

**GoldenDent and WCCCD Community Extraction Days**

“Thank you to WCCCD for providing more than 380 dental extractions free of charge resulting in over $718,150.00 in free services to the community in 2022!” Extraction day is a partnership between GoldenDent and WCCCD’s dental programs providing free dental extractions from licensed dentists from across the country.

**Cornbread Restaurant: Lessons in Black History “History in a Box” Shoebox Lunches at WCCCD**

“Thanks to Cornbread Restaurant for providing lessons in the form of ‘History in a Box’ lunches containing a meal and information at the Downriver Campus.” The idea comes from when black people used to tote food in shoe boxes while traveling during segregation because they were not allowed to go to many restaurants.

**Detroit at Work and WCCCD’s Entrepreneurship Resource Center**

In partnership with Detroit at Work, WCCCD’s Entrepreneurship Resource Center hosted a “WCCCD Entrepreneur Student’s Business and Funder’s Pitch” presentation featuring student presentations for a panel of special judges with backgrounds in city government, banking and marketing.

**Art in the Airport Program: Wayne County Airport Authority at WCCCD**

“Thank you for going above and beyond to host the DTW Art in the Airport Visioning Workshop! The location was perfect for our participants who traveled from across Wayne County and the surrounding area. The workshop generated some incredible ideas that we know will enhance our Art in the Airport program. The entire WCCCD team exceeded our expectations.”
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