The Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus hosted a special program to celebrate international students. Highlights included updates on the Language Institute’s upcoming events, the Study Abroad Program, and how to engage in student organizations and access resources such as SwiftMD.
Leadership in developing an ecosystem that encompasses the total student experience: I have always had a soft spot in my heart for the low-income single moms and other marginalized racial and economic groups that come to WCCCD, trusting us to empower them in overcoming the barriers they face, getting a good job, and advancing in careers that will provide a family-supporting income. As an open door higher education institution, admitting all persons who can benefit from our services, we must design and deliver equity-focused programs and services to the students we actually have, not a mythical student body that some may wish we had. With our mission statement as our “north star,” it is the responsibility of WCCCD’s leadership, faculty, and staff to design and deliver programs and services that make profound differences in the lives of the students that we actually serve. We must therefore respond to the basic needs of our students in areas such as finances, food, transportation, childcare, mental health, and access to the internet and computers. We are called to create a humanizing environment in which every student feels they belong and are welcomed, respected, valued, safe, and empowered. To do so, we can build on the success of the “guided pathways’ model of the Division of Student Services to engage faculty and staff members at every level in the improvement of all aspects of the student experience at WCCCD. We are challenged to develop an enterprise-level ecosystem that identifies gaps between actual and ideal student experiences and creates innovative and high impact practices that “advances the needle” of student success, belonging, and satisfaction at each stage of the flow of students through WCCCD’s services and programs. At each stage of the student journey—recruitment, admissions, financial aid, orientation, assessment, advising, course placement, registration, progression in a program of study, and completion—assigned leaders, faculty, and staff can make a positive difference by continuously bringing about improvements that advance student success, belonging, and satisfaction.

Develop a student success, belonging, and satisfaction ecosystem that encompasses the total student experience. Further develop the student success ecosystem based on the foundation of the existing guided pathways processes of Student Services, incorporate college and career pathways initiatives, and engage faculty and staff in increasing student success, belonging, satisfaction, and completion at each stage of the student journey through WCCCD programs and services. Increase the focus on the financial, food, housing, transportation, childcare, mental health, access to the internet and computers, and other basic needs of students. Links to goals of the strategic plan: Goal 1, objectives 1, 2, 3, and 5; Goal 2, objectives 4 and 5.
Staff from the Division of Administration and Finance met to discuss financial policies and procedures, budget development and cost allocation management.

The Website Redesign Taskforce has been working with our vendors, Ingeniux and Beyond Web Solutions, to optimize our site scale on certain components, mobile appearance, and printer-friendly options for program sheets. While content editing and reviews are ongoing, the taskforce is working with the Leadership Team with a special focus on finalizing campus content.
The Division of Workforce and Economic Development provides many opportunities that span a diverse range of industries including:

- Apprenticeships
- Automotive Careers
- Entrepreneurship
- Mechatronics
- Healthcare
- Information Technology

**Student Success!**

Congratulations to two of our apprentice students, Martinez Allen and Jeffrey Treadaway, who recently satisfied the criteria for CDL-Class drivers at Faygo Beverage Company. According to Treadway, “This was my first real job in over 10 years. I’m a consistent provider now for my son and his mom. And I’m out them streets for sure.”
WCAA Apprenticeships

The Wayne County Airport Authority (WCAA) has enrolled two new students for the CDL Class-A training. These students will earn $17 per hour while they learn and work immediately upon completion. As a result of this partnership, WCCCD continues to train WCAA apprentices.

More Student Success!

Student Tyler Dewitt states he had a great experience at WCCCD. “The instructors were incredible and wanted to make sure that we were completely prepared for our road test. We got plenty of time in the semis, and I felt very confident the morning of my exam. I passed the test in the manual transmission on my first try thanks to all the help from Elbe, Paul, and Dalvin.”

Former WCCCD student Robyn M. Scott-Benson graduated in October 2022 with her CDL Class-A and is now employed at the WCAA.
Michigan College and University Partnership – MiCUP

Congratulations to our WCCCD MiCUP Interns who presented at our Annual MiCUP Research Symposium. They presented their research findings and shared their experiences during their seven-week paid internship at Michigan Technological University! Great Job to all and we wish you much success!
PTK student members participated in an Edge academic celebration of achievement.

Phi Theta Kappa Alpha Upsilon Zeta conducted its monthly officer meeting to discuss the upcoming LOC Conference that will take place on September 8-10, 2023 in Maple City, Michigan.
Career Planning and Placement Portal

Number of students with completed and active registrations at WCCCD (students, alumni, employers).

Ratio of new student registrations to Jobs posted at the Career Planning & Placement job site.

Number of jobs posted at WCCCD based on the Job Types that have posted. The total may be larger than the total number of jobs if more than one job type was selected for any job.

Recruitment & Outreach

WCCCD Department Of Outreach and Recruitment (Open D.O.O.R.) participated in the 40th Annual African World Festival (AWF) in Hart Plaza. This three-day event featured local and international performers, more than 100 vendors and countless opportunities for family fun. WCCCD provided potential students information about the District’s numerous options in both academic and career/technical areas. This is an example of WCCCD's commitment to strengthen partnerships with the culturally diverse population in the greater Detroit metropolitan area.
Transfer and Dual Enrollment at WCCCD Helps Students Optimize Their Summer for Success

Whether a university transfer student optimizing time and saving money learning Differential Equations, existentialism in Philosophy or Art and Humanities, staying on track taking as Chandler Park Academy takes dual enrollment courses to graduate high school with both an Associate’s degree and diploma, WCCCD is where students are optimizing their summer for success.

Global Speakers
Dawud Muhammad and Dr. Tammy Anderson review options for upcoming fall student programs and speakers.

Athletics
High school athletes from Windsor, Canada visited WCCCD to learn about our Athletics Program. Student athletes were put through several skill drills and had the opportunity to work out with the Wildcat team. Coach Osborn of Kennedy Prep High School in Canada said this opportunity to show case their skill on a college level will be motivation for his athletes...Go Wildcats!
Admissions and Records

The records team met to discuss plans for upcoming Registration Celebration.

Student Success Center

The data reflects the number of students assisted by the Division of Student Services this week.

Federal Work-Study Program (FWS)

The FWS Office continues to orientate students to prepare them for the workforce.

International Students

The International Programs team continues to review Degree Works to keep students on track for the Fall 2023 semester.

Financial Aid

The District Financial Aid Department offers information to students on Financial Literacy when applying for student loans. It is important to know the responsibilities of borrowing student loans and how it can impact you later on in the future.

Orientation

The students at Downriver and Ted Scott campuses continued to seek professional assistance.

Veteran Affairs

Veteran students often need assistance with understanding and establishing their education benefits. WCCCD’s Office of Veteran Affairs is here to explain the different benefits and how claims are processed.
Podcast #26
Now Available!

Tune into our latest podcast featuring guest Mary Bohling, District 12 Director of the Michigan State University (MSU) Extension, to learn about the MSU Extension and resources such as the Downriver Linked Greenways and the Michigan Sea Grant which continue to positively impact the region. MSU Extension, the community outreach arm of the university, helps Michigan communities, families, individuals and businesses transform and grow through locally-based education.

LISTEN TO THE PODCAST SERIES!

WCCCD’s Critical Conversations Podcast series continues to feature guests who share their professional and personal experiences on a diverse range of topics. The series is available on the college’s website and on streaming platforms including Spotify, Apple Podcasts and Google Podcasts. Some of our previous guests include:

Sue Trussell
Director of the Brownstown Downtown Development Authority

Ron Hinrichs
President and CEO of the Wayne County Regional Chamber

Jim Perry
Executive Director of the Downriver Community Conference

Joseph Comartin
Consul General of Canada

Christopher Girdwood
Executive Director of the Detroit Region’s Aerotropolis
Division of Educational Affairs

Educational Affairs staff met with the Deputy Director of the Wayne County Department of Public Services and Lab Leads to build out the lab component of the Civil Tech curriculum, which is essential for Level I training.

Fall 2023 Faculty Convocation
As we prepare for our Fall 2023 Faculty Convocation, staff members from across the District met to discuss themes, programming, and logistics. Faculty Convocation will be held Saturday, August 19, 2023 at the Downriver Campus.

SAVE THE DATE:
Student Recruitment Fair: August 18, 2023
Fall 2023 Faculty Convocation
Saturday, August 19, 2023
Heinz C. Prechter Educational and Performing Arts Center
English and Math Developmental Rethink
The Math and English Developmental Rethink teams held their faculty professional development this past week. Faculty from both departments had the opportunity to learn how the developmental rethink courses are conducted, review course material, and engage in activities to help them understand students’ needs.

Cyber Suite Tour
Staff provided a tour of the Cybersecurity Suite to students from Hamtramck high schools.

LRC Monthly Meeting
During the Monthly LRC Meeting, the Educational Affairs team discussed updates on available resources, the development of learning resources, the progress of ongoing projects, and highlighted milestones achieved as well as future projects.
Students collected diapers, wipes, and clothing for the quarterly baby shower given by “Because of His Love Outreach”. Forty pregnant mothers were able to receive baby essentials.
This endeavor supplements an overall college experience, which ultimately leads to a more successful student.
~ Holly Hanna

I was very excited about my trip, especially since I had never traveled to Central America before.
- Valerie Kindle
Members of the Information Technology Division met with Educational Affairs and campus administrators to discuss the upcoming implementation of advanced technology offerings at the Ted Scott Campus.

IT staff met with Northwest Campus to discuss technical support and technology upgrades for the Fall 2023 semester.

IT and Facilities staff met with Johnson Controls to discuss the upgrade and support of the Metasys application which is used throughout the District for building automation. Items discussed included:

- Preventative maintenance agreement
- Lunch and learn training sessions
- New system features

IT staff met with Dell Technologies to discuss APEX Backup Services, which allows for a simplified yet robust backup solution without the need for on-premise backup infrastructure. Key product features include:

- Ransomware protection and recovery
- Protection for onsite, cloud, and SaaS workloads
- Immutable backups
Professor Bruce Ewen presented on the Role of the Detroit River and the Prominence of Detroit as a city as part of the celebration of French American Heritage.

Professor Dib Saab shared on the globalization of the French Language in various parts of the world due to French Colonization.

Dr. Fidelis D’Cunha presented a workshop entitled “Cultural Intelligence” at the Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center.

Visit to the River Raisin Native American Museum Battlefield Park
Facilities Maintenance

LEC Enhancements
Enhancements are taking place in the Larry K. Lewis Education Center (LEC) to prepare for the fall semester.

Staff completed a deep cleaning of the Language Institute.

Air conditioning unit upgrades at the Ted Scott Campus

Annual Boiler Inspection Preparation

MESUC MAINTENANCE

Giant Janitorial cleaned the windows of the Heinz C. Prechter Educational & Performing Arts Center.
Students from Pershing High School toured the HWEC and participated in an interactive workshop on exercise and nutrition.

Staff continue to visit classrooms at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus to promote upcoming HWEC program offerings.

HWEC members enjoyed a moment of serenity during Yoga class.

Campus Fitness Fridays

Staff at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus learned about the importance of stretching.
Dr. Yvette McElroy Anderson participated in the July 2023 MI ACE Public Policy Committee Meeting. Agenda items included Equal Pay Subcommittee and Public Policy Committee updates.

Keith Binion attended the Wayne County Pharmacist Association Executive Board Meeting.

Muna Khoury attended Manufacturing Day planning committee meeting at the Downriver Career Technical Consortium.
The School of Continuing Education

ROAD TO CREDENTIALS

The School of Continuing Education partnered with Wayne County Health to offer a Health Literacy Certificate for participants to earn CEU’s towards health education.

WCCCD’s Credentialing Center continues to provide services to organizations, professionals and the community at-large, including test development, administer of national certification, measurement services, and professional certification both locally and nationally. This week, credentials were awarded in the following:

- Real Estate License Preparation
- State Continuing Education Clock Hours (2.4 SCECH’s)
- State Continuing Education Clock Hours K-12 Educators

Music

Nique Loves Rhodes and the NLR Experience
  July 27, 2023
  Northwest Campus

Whiskey for Ransom
  August 2, 2023
  Ted Scott Campus

Aisha Ellis Trio with Deblon Jackson
  August 16, 2023
  Ted Scott Campus

N4structure
  August 24, 2023
  Northwest Campus
Human Resources Strategic Processes

Human Resources staff met to review the following strategic processes:

- Performance appraisals
- Benefits administration
- Recruitment
- Hiring
- Training

Celebrating our Retirees

Preparations are underway for the upcoming Retirement Celebration in August 2023 at the Northwest Campus' Culinary Arts and Hospitality Center.
Greg Dunmore presented a workshop on the topic of “Commitment, Staying the Course.” Participants learned about the value in making a commitment and how it increases the odds of follow-through and success.

Melodie Bunkley provided staff with a presentation on WCCCD’s Continuing Education Programs which are diversified non-credit courses, certificate programs and seminars offered on current topics in a variety of areas.

Dr. Sherry Saggers and Celestine Walker from WCCCD’s Physical Therapist Assistant Program. Program presented on the admissions process, curriculum, accreditation, and employment opportunities of this new program. They also shared the wonderful news that WCCCD’s Physical Therapist Assistant Program is the first and only program in the City of Detroit!
Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center

Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors

Meeting at the Helm
Kimett Hackworth met with representatives from Helm to discuss fall CE course offerings.

University Partnerships at WCCCD
The District was pleased to host Eastern Michigan University at the University Center to refresh opportunities in support of increasing and expanding the pipeline of 4-Year student transfer opportunities.

CAMP INFINITY

One Vision, One District, One College
Boy Scouts of America Mahican Michigan
The Downriver Campus hosted the Boy Scouts of America Mahican Michigan Crossroads Council, Great Lakes Division Popcorn Kick-Off. This workshop provided participants with an overview of product promotion procedures and sales strategies.

Wayne Metro CAA Discover You Professional Development Training
The Downriver Campus hosted Wayne Metro CAA Discover You Professional Development Training. This training provided positive youth development by sharing knowledge and expertise to support other youth serving organizations.

The Guidance Center Head Start CPR Training
The Downriver Campus hosted The Guidance Center Head Start CPR Training for Head Start employees who are CPR and First Aid trained.
Marathon Emergency Response Team Training

The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE) hosted Marathon Petroleum’s Emergency Response Team training course on Fire Tactics.

Downriver Mutual Aid SWAT - Monthly Team Training

MIPSE also hosted Downriver Mutual Aid SWAT for their monthly team training. They accessed the tower for rappelling, trailer home for entries, and some of the open areas for team movements.

Great Lakes Water Authority

Participants in the Great Lakes Water Authority Traffic Safety Training learned about work zone safety.

Fermi 2 Fire Brigade Training

Operators of the Detroit Edison Fermi 2 Plant in Monroe County attended a Fire Brigade training. They refreshed their training in fire extinguishers, foam application and fire extinguishing including the burn room and shipboard simulator. This annual training is a requirement of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
Summer Students
Students from the Nursing program enjoy observing campus activities.

Camp Infinity
Campus administrators met with representatives from Camp Infinity to finalize details for the upcoming camp next week.

Good Place to Live
The Northwest Campus hosted “The Fabric of Faith Conference”. This community event provided workshops with educational activities for people of all ages.

Human Trafficking
Campus administrators met with representatives from Homeland Security to finalize the details for their seminar on human trafficking.
Michigan Reconnect Informational Session

WCCCD’s Department of Outreach and Recruitment (Open D.O.O.R.), in partnership with the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Development (LEO), participated in the state-wide Michigan Reconnect Week by hosting Information Sessions at the Curtis L. Ivery - Downtown Campus.
The CLI-DT Campus began hosting “The Academic Catch – Up Program” which is a four-week program for graduating high school seniors that helps them discover their strengths while exploring career pathways, earning up to six college credits, learning about available resources and gaining new math and writing skills. Best of all, there is no cost for those who qualify.

**LEARNING RESOURCE CENTER (LRC)**

CLI DT Campus LRC hosted several orientations during the week. Students learned the various services provided by the LRC including library catalog, ask-a-librarian, electronic books, online journals, remote access as well additional learning tools to assist in completing course assignments.

**ADULT EDUCATION**

Adult Education Department hosted their pre testing session at the CLI-DT Campus.

**STUDENTS FIELD TRIP TO THE DIA**

Professor Dr. Charmaine Johnson’s ECE 120 course participated in a field trip to the Detroit Institute of Arts. Students toured the museum, learned about children’s workshops, activities for parents, volunteering and membership.
Eastern Campus

Gaming Club Meeting
Members of the WCCCDC Gaming Club learned about the Video Game Design Program, Registration, Study Abroad, and much more during its weekly meeting.

Community Advisory Council D4 Meeting
The Community Advisory Workshop improves citizen access to city government. The Community Advisory Council (CAC) is established according to Article 9 Chapter 1 of the Charter and by an ordinance that was mandated there.

LEAR Orientation Workshop
In partnership with LEAR Corporation, individuals are taking a new employee orientation for the new plant on Connor Avenue.

CDL Simulation Training
Girls in grades 5-8 grades participated in Camp Infinity sponsored by the Michigan Council of Women in Technology.

New Practical Nursing students attending Orientation and Registration for the Fall 2023 semester at the Ted Scott Campus. Presenters: Dean Shelia Collins, Associate Dean Benita Dade, Dan Smigell from Wolters Kluwer.

Campus administrators met to discuss the Fall 2023 semester.
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