

CHANCELLOR'S WEEKEND MEMO

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Wayne County Community College District is Preparing for the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission Site Visit



Wayne County Community College District's Department of Nursing is preparing for the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) accreditation. The NLNAC self-study is currently underway for the team site visit scheduled for September 2013. The nursing faculty are working diligently to compose a report that reflects the quality of our program. The entire District supports and looks forward to the accreditation process which will assist strengthening this significant program for WCCCD.



District Command Center

The Division of Student Services has continued its commitment of providing students with excellent customer service by utilizing the District Command Center to respond to student inquiries. The Command Center staff has handled more than 8,000 incoming calls already for the month of January.



Dual Enrollment Partnerships with Harper Woods High School

Drs. Sandra Robinson, and Frank Dunbar met with Harper Woods High School counselor Marion Thrasher as well as parents and guardians of high school students. The discussion focused on dual enrollment opportunities for the Spring semester.



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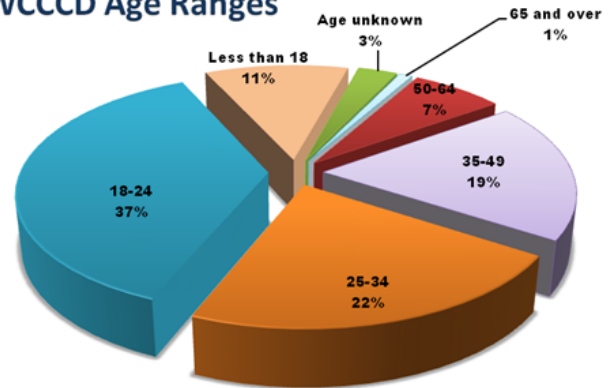
Did you know?

According to American Association of Community Colleges, the average age of a community college student is 28 years old. Community colleges provide access to education for many nontraditional students who are adults and work while enrolled. Source:

<http://www.aacc.nche.edu/AboutCC/Trends/Pages/studentsatcommunitycolleges.aspx>

The chart represents WCCCD age ranges. The average age of a WCCCD student is 29 years old.

WCCCD Age Ranges



INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Monica Wiggins attended a National Help Desk Institute (HDI) meeting on Service Desk Salvation. HDI is the professional association and certification body for the technical service and support industry. The association serves a community of more than 120,000 technical service and support professionals and is the premier resource for best practices and emerging trends. The session demonstrated how clearly defined outcomes help institutions make necessary improvements that can drive value from Information Technology Service Desk operations.

DISTRICT PUBLIC SAFETY



◆ Tamra Green, Wayne State University (WSU) Criminal Justice student from the WSU mentor program met with Chief Darrick Muhammad. The mentorship program will give Ms. Green opportunities to talk and visit with professionals in the field. While at WCCCD, she will have the chance to ask questions, observe the workplace, and learn about the daily operations of a public safety department.

◆ The District's Public Safety Department was recently approved for the Michigan Law Enforcement Information Network (LEIN). LEIN is a computerized system that is used primarily by criminal justice agencies to share criminal background and fugitive information. The network is connected 24 hours a day and seven days a week.

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

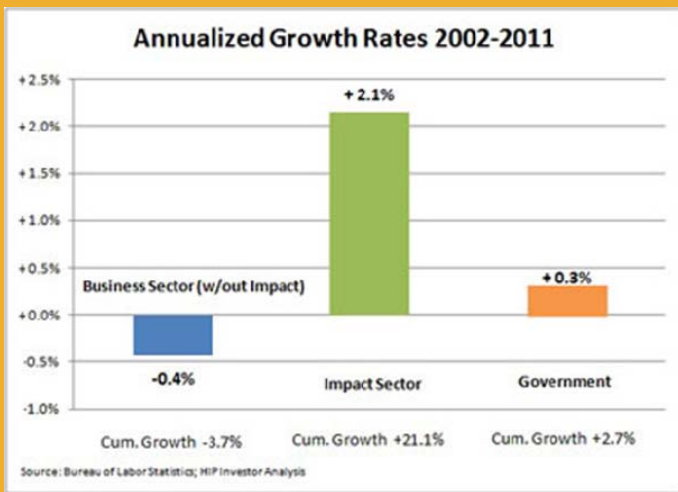
The Finance and Financial Aid departments are meeting on a weekly basis to discuss the ongoing changes in financial aid regulations as well monthly reconciliation. The team utilizes the Financial Aid Handbook along with the Blue Book in order to review these regulations. These meetings also include looking at best practices in order to improve current policies to better serve our students.

SOCIAL SECURITY INCREASE

As a result of the expiration of legislation that temporarily reduced the rate of social security tax by 2%, effective January 1, 2013 the employee share of social security changed from 4.2% to 6.2%. Final approval of the legislation resulted in insufficient time for Banner system upgrades to be made before the 1/4/13 pay date. Pursuant to IRS guidance, at the end of 2012 the District made required adjustments with compensation today, January 18, 2013. We appreciate your cooperation as we implement this federally mandated change.

Bureau of Labor Statistics on Jobs

The employment landscape in the United States is changing according to a study by the Bureau of Labor Statistics on Jobs. Businesses and organizations resolving social issues and making a positive impact on how we live are noted as the consistent engines of job growth. One example is Michigan Energy Michigan Jobs, a coalition of business labor organizations and health care advocates supporting initiatives that expand Michigan's renewable production.



According to the article, Skills Match by Anthony Carnevale and Nicole Smith, nearly one-third of job openings will require a postsecondary vocational certificate, industry-based certification, college credit or an associate's degree through 2020. The article discusses middle jobs and how they have been overlooked due to four-year universities that market higher employment positions. Twenty-one percent of all jobs are classified as good middle jobs of which 29 million pay an annual salary of at least \$35,000. Nearly 10 million jobs average a salary of more than \$50,000 and 3.6 million with a salary of \$75,000. Even though these middle jobs are available, Georgetown University estimates that the United States does not produce enough workers with a postsecondary education.



Learning Resource Center

Fall 2012 Circulation Statistics Summary

Campus	General Circulation Books	Textbooks/ Reserve Books	MeL Cat Books
DR	343	657	87
DT	734	2,824	45
EA	412	622	41
NW	958	2,134	87
WE	231	281	78
Total	2,678	6,518	338

- ◆ Students, faculty, and staff rely heavily on the availability of library materials to support the District's curricula as evident by the statistics.
- ◆ We are continuously adding new titles to the collections. For the 2012-2013 academic year nearly 500 titles have been added to the campus print collections District-wide.
- ◆ Borrowing library items for the Spring 2013 semester will begin on Tuesday, January 22, 2013.

In Observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day on January 21, 2013



Students, faculty, and staff have access to more than 114 resources available in WCCCD's online catalog including short video clips that may be accessed at http://www.wcccd.edu/dept/learning_resource_center.htm

The DALNET (Detroit Area Library Network) - King Collection may be accessed from the following link: <http://www.dalnet.lib.mi.us/king/>



Faculty Organization Day is Saturday, January 19, 2013



WCCCD Wildcats

Our basketball teams recently traveled to Mott Community College and played against some fearsome opponents. The men's team put up a good fight but fell short of victory to Mott, the team with the best record in the Eastern Conference. On the other hand, our women's team won over the Mott Bears. Go Wildcats!



Learning Platform: Connect

Student Services staff attended an English Department informational meeting for Administrators and faculty. Representatives from McGraw Hill Publishing Company provided a broad overview on McGraw Hill's learning platform called Connect. Connect uses digital teaching and learning tools, including adaptive learning technology, an integrated eBook, lecture capture software and more. According to McGraw Hill's case studies, effectiveness studies and testimonials from students and faculty, students utilizing Connect come well prepared to class, are more engaged in their courses and achieve better results.



Achieving the Dream

Donnell Mason and Dr. Ella Davis, English Chair and AtD Learning Community faculty trainer, provided an information workshop at the Downtown Campus for the Spring 2013 Learning Community instructors. Collaborative assignment techniques and Lecture Capture Technology were topics covered in the workshop. The instructors were excited about being the first instructors to pilot the Lecture Capture Technology for the AtD Initiative.



Michigan College/University Partnership Update

Michigan Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (ML-SAMP) representatives from the University of Michigan and Wayne State University joined Student Services Michigan College/University Partnership (MICUP) coordinator, Judy Smouter, to host informational workshops at the Northwest and Downriver campuses for students interested in summer internship opportunities. Students were informed about primarily science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) internship requirements and all students left with the needed information to apply for six lucrative internships.



CAMPUS PRESIDENTS' CORNER

Agents of Hope

The Northwest Campus, in partnership with Agents of Hope, sponsored a Wealth Seminar titled "Attain Your Hopes and Dreams in 2013." Guest speakers gave real-life examples of challenges on the path to business success and ways to overcome them. Agents of Hope is a non-profit organization committed to spreading hope to individuals and families in disadvantaged situations through mentorship, financial literacy and other charitable means.



Film Partnership

Dr. Sandra Robinson, Dr. Frank Dunbar, Matthew Puwal, Rodney Patrick and Dr. Julie Corbett met with Jeremy Schroeder and David Rabbideau representatives from Harper Woods High School to discuss a film partnership.

Science Labs Reviewed

The campus chief academic officers and Dr. Greene, Faculty Science Discipline Facilitator had a meeting to review the Fall 2012 semester science lab procedures, safety procedures and to implement an improved communication plan of weekly activities of the science courses throughout the District for the Spring 2013 semester.

Connecting the Pointes

The University Center hosted a meeting with "Connecting the Pointes" to discuss partnership opportunities and share information about community events.



Wayne County Mental Health Agency

The Eastern Campus hosted the Wayne County Mental Health Agency's 2013 Kick-Off Workshop. This workshop emphasized the new discussion from the Federal Government concerning mental health issues throughout the country and possible grant funding for supporting local community organizations.

Automotive Program

Tool Crib Update

George Patrash from the Eastern Campus provided leadership and assistance to update the Downriver Campus tool crib for Automotive Services Technology Program in preparation for the Spring 2013 semester. Thanks so much for your help Mr. Patrash!



The Western Campus Congratulates Staff Scholars

Three staff members at the Western Campus successfully completed degree programs. As a learning community, we extend our congratulations to:

- ◆ Brian Constanti, Bachelor of Science of Applied Technology, Eastern Michigan University
- ◆ Avanti Herczeg, Master of Arts in Educational Leadership in Higher Education/Student Affairs, and Graduate Certificate in Academic Advising, Eastern Michigan University, College of Education/Leadership and Counseling
- ◆ Dionne Davis, Master of Science in Leadership, Central Michigan University



Pictured from left: Dionne Davis, Brian Constanti and Avanti Herczeg

Final Registration at the Western Campus



During this final week of registration for the Spring 2013 semester, faculty members at the Western Campus set up displays to promote enrollment in courses that are still available. Faculty members also worked with instructional office staff and student services staff to contact students that have not yet registered by phone and email. Pictured is German Instructor Gary Ott with an interested student.

Welding Students Pass Certification Test

Two students from the Fall 2012 Welding and Fabrication III class (WLT 103) at the Eastern Campus recently passed their American Welding Society (AWS) Certification tests. The AWS holds the 'gold standard' in third party certification for welders. The exams are rigorous and expensive. Congratulations to Chris Riley and Jody Raiford and to our instructors who prepared them for success!



THE SCHOOL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE

CONTINUING EDUCATION MAINTENANCE REPORT

During the week of January 7 - 12, 2013 the District served 319 participants in partnership with nine community organizations.

Downriver Campus- 180 students
 Downtown Campus- No report submitted
 Eastern Campus- 26 students
 Northwest Campus- 41 students
 Western Campus- 72 students

As the 2013 Spring semester approaches, the School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development is making preparation by conducting Classroom Preparedness Surveys.

Mark your calendars!



11th Annual Passport to Africa
 Saturday, February 9
 Downtown Campus 11:00am- 3:00pm

Stormy Weather- The Lena Horne Project

February 8, 2013

8:00pm

Heinz C. Prechter Educational and Performing Arts Center

For tickets call the box office at
 (734) 374-3200



THE MICHIGAN INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY EDUCATION



Emergency Medical Technician Completion Ceremony

The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE) hosted a ceremony for the Emergency Medical Technician students. Students were presented with Certificates of Completion and a MIPSE pin.

THE HEINZ C. PRECHTER EDUCATIONAL AND PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

- ◆ Steve Wildern, Theater Operations Dean, attended the Downriver Council for the Arts (DCA) annual meeting. The meeting provided an opportunity for members to meet the board of directors and staff.
- ◆ Mr. Wildern also attended the monthly meeting of the Wayne County Council for Arts, History and the Humanities. He recently joined the council which is the umbrella organization that fosters awareness, growth and support of the arts, history and humanities, enhancing the quality of life in Wayne County.



On the Move...



- ◆ Anthony Arminiak was accepted into the Taylor International Rotary Club as a Rotarian member.
- ◆ Mr. Arminiak attended the Brownstown Township 2nd Annual Business Expo. This provided an opportunity to promote the District's Spring and Summer 2013 Continuing Education Courses, new technology programs and events at the Heinz C. Prechter Educational and Performing Arts Center.
- ◆ Anthony Arminiak and Dennis Andrew attended the Wayne County Department of Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coalition meeting. They conducted a presentation on WCCCD's Closed Point of Dispensing Program.
- ◆ Downriver Campus administrators and staff attended a webinar titled Embracing the Opportunities of BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) in Higher Education Classroom AV Design. Speaker Bill Nattress, a certified technology specialist in design and installation, discussed how institutions can bridge consumerization expectations with enterprise-class technologies already on the market.
- ◆ Staff from the Downriver and Western campuses attended the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber Legislative forum. The guest speaker was Paul Tait, Executive Director of SEMCOG. Mr. Tait presented SEMCOG's 2040 forecast of the region's future, which supports regional and local planning.
- ◆ Cecile Taylor attended the Women and Leadership in the Workplace Annual Conference. The organizational mission of this annual conference is to promote high professional standards, encourage leadership, provide education and assure equal advantages for women who have demonstrated excellence in their professions, place of employment, and volunteerism.
- ◆ Mike Dotson attended Romulus Mayor Alana Lambert's State of the City presentation at the Romulus Chamber of Commerce meeting.
- ◆ Mr. Dotson, Yvette McElroy Anderson and David Rowsey met with the superintendent of Inkster Schools and their dual enrollment coordinator to discuss the school district's Ivy League Dual Enrollment Program for Inkster High School students.
- ◆ E. Martinus Whitfield attended the Detroit Employment Solutions Conversations meeting sponsored by Metro-Detroit Michigan Works. The conversation was designed to foster stronger partnerships and collaboration to ensure seamless employment resources and career opportunities for our students and the community.
- ◆ Staff from the Learning Resource Center at the Northwest Campus participated in a webinar for Gale Virtual Reference Library. The staff was able to see how the database has been updated to more than 8,000 authoritative reference titles, improved navigation, a colorful new interface, and cross-searching ease.

DEFERRED MAINTENANCE



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Accountability & Transparency District-wide Deferred Maintenance



Deferred Maintenance



Downriver

- ◆ HVAC energy upgrade project (In process)
- ◆ Additional external security lighting needed. (In process)
- ◆ Updated facility snow removal equipment
- ◆ Bus Shelter completion (Expected completion in February)
- ◆ New light fixtures for LRC
- ◆ Air conditioning unit for W-24

Downtown

- ◆ Concrete walls inside campus needs power cleaning (85% complete)
- ◆ New furniture and ceiling in the library (Bids have been placed)
- ◆ New receptionist cubicles in the One Stop Shop (No update)
- ◆ New receptionist cubicles in the learning lab, room 239 (No update)

Eastern

- ◆ Alarm system needs repair
- ◆ Boiler replacement/repair
- ◆ Window blinds in Cooper Room
- ◆ Marquee needs replacing/repair

University Center

- ◆ Handicap door upgrade
- ◆ Security cameras
- ◆ Expand stage in auditorium
- ◆ Marquee

Western

- ◆ Windows in café area leak. This has been an ongoing problem since they were installed
- ◆ Dead trees outside and mulch needed in beds (On hold until spring 2013)
- ◆ Marquee not working, needs replacing/repair
- ◆ Updated facility snow removal equipment (In purchasing)
- ◆ Light pole banners need to be purchased and installed (In process)



General Maintenance



WESTERN CAMPUS:
Interior and exterior lights need replacing

Campus Readiness

This week at the Western Campus members of the Facilities Department and Giant Janitorial staff worked to complete various cleaning and repair projects in preparation for the first day of classes on January 23rd.

