

# Chancellor's Weekend Memo



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## Global Conversations SPEAKER SERIES



WCCCD's Global Conversations Speaker Series seeks to enrich students and the community's global perspective by inviting top executives, government leaders, and other distinguished guests to speak on globally relevant topics. Yxta Maya Murray was our guest speaker at the Downtown Campus today. Ms. Murray spoke on "Blight's Bad History and the Questions it raises for Detroit." Coordinated by Josh Bassett, Director of Institute for Social Progress.



The Western Campus hosted an All about the Arts concert with performers from the Michigan Opera Theater. More than 100 community members and patrons of senior citizen centers from Westland, Romulus, Van Buren Township, Sumpter Township and Inkster attended this special performance sponsored by the Heinz C. Prechter Performing Arts Center.



# Russian Delegation Visit

A delegation of Russian university and college officials visited the Northwest Campus. Discussion focused on best practices for community colleges. Guests were provided a tour of the Health Science Center and the energy efficiency systems designed into the Larry K. Lewis Education Center. Representatives from the St. Petersburg Technical College, Novgorod State University, Chukotka Multi-Industry College, Tyumen State University, and Urals State Mining University Junior College of South Urals State University, St. Petersburg Polytechnical College and Ivanovo State Power Engineering University. They were greatly impressed by the visit and their reception by District staff and faculty. Visitors were greeted by Dr. Letitia Uduma and staff for the visit coordinated by Dr. George Swan and the International Visitors Center of Detroit with assistance from the U.S. State Department.

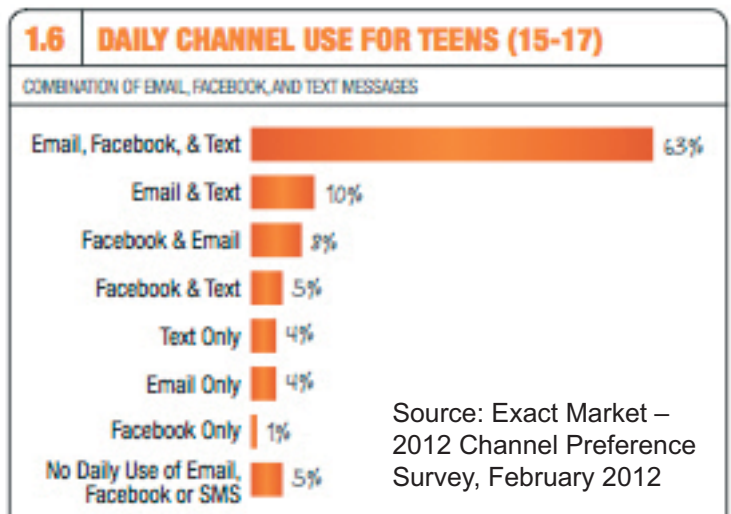


## Office of Institutional Advancement

### 63% of Teens Use Email, Text, and Facebook to Communicate

Teens are more likely than any other age group to use text messaging, Facebook, and Twitter. They are also more likely to communicate through a greater number of channels on a daily basis, picking the right channel based on speed, convenience, and privacy. When it comes to marketing communication preferences, however, teens aren't that much different from the rest of us. In fact, teens and adults alike said that they prefer email over other channels for most marketing communications.

Furthermore, while teens have historically used emerging channels like text and social media more than older consumers, the reality is that all age groups are increasing their use of these channels. Between 2008 and 2012, even consumers over the age of 45 have significantly increased their preference for using text and social media when communicating with friends.







## In the News...

### Sharpen Your Networking Skills

By Sherry Zylka, Published in the Community College Daily of the American Association of Community Colleges on September 4, 2014.

Most people will tell you that networking is a skillset that they wished they were more comfortable with in both their personal and professional lives. Four simple techniques identified in the article can make networking easier for you. Enhancing your network today can help build your brand and the connections you make can last a lifetime and be kept readily available for when you need them most or they can become a great resource when you least expect it.

To read the whole article please visit

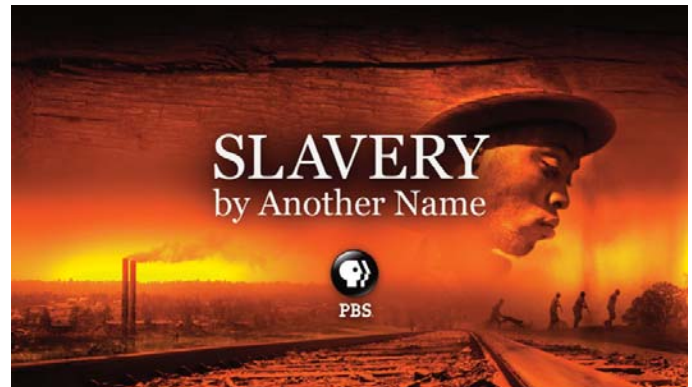
<http://www.ccdaily.com/Pages/Campus-Issues/Sharpen-your-networking-skills.aspx>

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## Dr. Wallace Peace- Guest Lecturer for PBS Documentary “Slavery by Another Name”

Dr. Wallace Peace served as a guest lecturer at the screening of the PBS documentary “Slavery by Another Name” presented by the Dale Rich Collection, in collaboration with the main branch of the Detroit Public Library. Mr. Rich, a lifelong Detroit, has photographed African-American life and struggles for several decades. A collection of his photos are at the Walter P. Reuther Labor Library on the campus of Wayne State University in Detroit.

Source:



<http://www.detroitnews.com/story/entertainment/arts/2014/09/19/hours-erebus-birmingham-art-fair-weekend/15907941/>

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## Legislative Corner



Senate Bill NO. 223 Introduced by Senators Warren, Whitmer, Hood, Young, Gregory, Bieda, Johnson, Hopgood, Smith and Hunter. This Bill is called the Michigan Higher Education Grant Act. This bill will establish an educational grant program for eligible resident students who attend public community colleges and universities in this state; to provide for the administration of the program; to create the Michigan higher education grant trust fund; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain state governmental officers and entities.

The authority shall administer the Michigan Higher Education Grant Program. The authority shall do all of the following:

- (a) Award grants to eligible students under this act.
- (b) Develop a grant agreement to be entered into by a grant recipient and the authority that contains the terms of a grant made under this act and the rights and obligations of the grant recipient and the authority.
- (c) Conduct periodic audits of grant recipients to ensure compliance with the terms of the grant agreement and take necessary steps to enforce the terms of the grant agreement.
- (d) Promulgate any rules that it determines are necessary to implement and administer this act under the administrative procedures act of 1969.

# District Police Authority



## Closed Circuit Television

The purpose of Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) monitoring of public areas on/around campuses is to deter crime and to assist in protecting the safety of our students, faculty, staff, guests and our neighbors as well as college property. A standard is in place and helps ensure consistency in the use of this system allowing all cameras to be available for use in emergency situations. Cameras on this system are able to be viewed by District Police Authority. The recordings are most often used to gather information through reviews of historical images. District Police Authority officers have been fully trained through the State of Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES) and have full arrest powers.



## Courts and Law Enforcement Management Information System

District Police Authority staff met with retired Detroit Police Lieutenant Larry Adams to discuss obtaining the Courts and Law Enforcement Management Information System (CLEMIS) report writing system. The key principle of CLEMIS is sharing data between law enforcement agencies in a county. Police and public safety agencies from multiple cities, villages and townships provide law enforcement information to the CLEMIS database and enjoy the benefits of having access to this data.



## Meet Officer Sheree Willis Johnson

Officer Sheree Willis Johnson graduated from the Detroit Metropolitan Police Academy in 1977. Following graduation, she was assigned to the 11th Precinct where she worked patrol for five years. In 1982, she was assigned to work the Morality Squad. In 1985, she was transferred to the Eastern Operations Bureau. In 1994, she was transferred to the First Precinct Patrol Unit and later worked in the Executive Protection Unit. Her assignment was protection for the Honorable Judge Trudy Duncombe Archer, wife of the Honorable Mayor Dennis Archer. After serving eight years with Executive Protection, she was transferred to the Telephone Crime Reporting Unit and Auto Theft. She was certified as a Law Enforcement Information Network operator. In October 2012, after 35 years of policing, she retired. She recently joined the WCCCD Police Authority Department.





# Deferred Maintenance

## Eastern Campus Upgrades

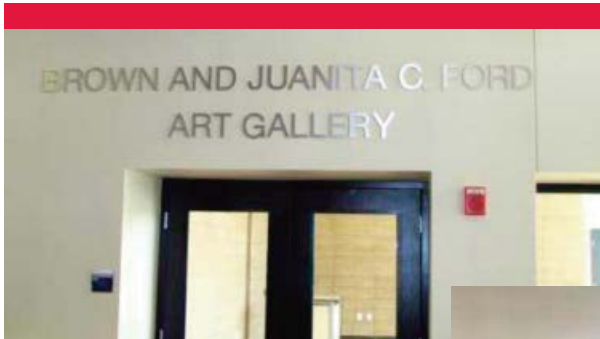


Atrium Upgrades:  
Artwork Donated  
by Students

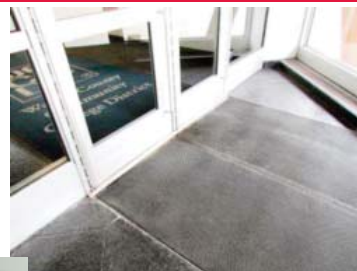


Installation of  
Vehicle Paint Booth

Equipment Repair  
Air Handler Unit



Installation of Signage:  
Brown and Juanita C. Ford  
Art Gallery at the  
Northwest Campus



Upgrading  
District Office  
Building Entrances



## Board of Trustees Meeting- September 24, 2014



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### Michigan Center for Student Success (An Initiative of the Michigan Community College Association)

#### Michigan Project Win-Win



Project Win-Win began in 2009 with 61 colleges in nine states. Round one of the Michigan Project Win-Win resulted in an increase of nearly 2,000 awarded associate's degrees last year. WCCCD is one of 12 Michigan community colleges participating in Round 2 of the project. Project Win-Win's purpose is to identify former students whose records qualified them for degrees, as well as identify former students whose records indicated that they were within striking distance of an associate's degree to complete a few required credits and earn a degree. Dr. Patrick McNally, Brian Singleton and Johnesa Hodge met with Chris Baldwin and Gail Ives from the Michigan Association of Community Colleges for a kick-off discussion.



# Division of Student Services



The Division of Student Services is dedicated to supporting student activities as it pertains to the vision and mission of WCCCD by enriching students' college experience outside the classroom. Through a holistic approach it is our mission to enhance student learning and personal development through our social, cultural, community engagement and leadership programs. The Division is committed to providing programs and events that complement our students' in-the-classroom experience to help them to develop their life and leadership skills.

## Women's Cross Country Team

The WCCCD Women's Cross Country Team grabbed an eighth place finish at the Commodore Invitational. Teairrah Griffin, the top individual finisher for WCCCD placed in 32nd place. The Lady Wildcats performed well at the meet with each athlete improving their time. "Go Wildcats"



## District Command Center

Administrators continue to assist in providing great customer service to the students we receive calls from in the District Command Center



## Michigan Center for Student Success 2014 Student Success Summit



Brian Singleton and Johnesa Hodge attended this year's annual Student Success Summit held in Lansing, MI. The summit featured national expertise and emerging best practices from Michigan community colleges on issues related to student access and success. This year's Summit theme was "After ten years of reform and innovation on student success...where do we stand and where are we going?"

# Michigan Colleges and Universities Having Increased Default Rates- Except WCCCD!

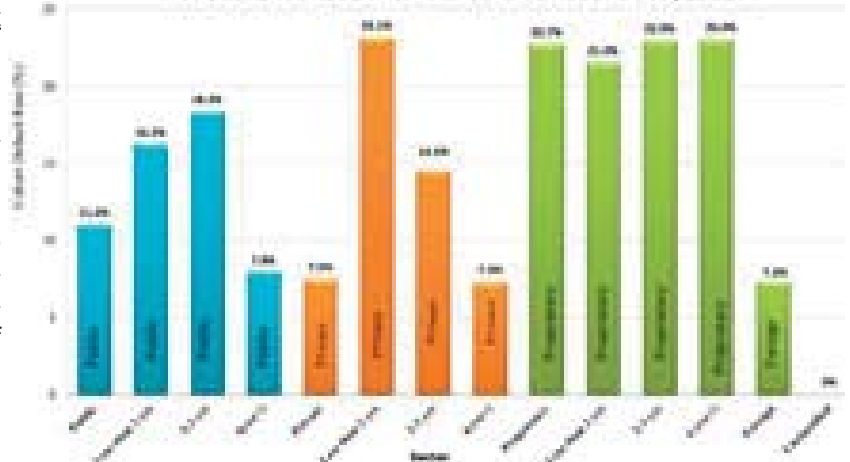


On Wednesday, September 24, 2014, the Detroit Free Press released an article that displayed all Michigan colleges and universities having increased default rates. Increased rates could ultimately place schools at risk of losing the ability to offer students Title IV scholarships, which includes; Pell, SEOG, and federal student loans. However, WCCCD is the only institution reported to have seen a decrease in its default rate. This drastic decrease is due to the implementation of the Student Loan Management Center and as a result of the comprehensive Loan Default Management Plan implemented by the Financial Aid Office. WCCCD's rate is now lower than the national average and most institutions in this area.

## Federal Student Aid

PERIODIC OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

FY 2009 3-Year Official National Cohort Default Rates by Sector



# Division of Educational Affairs

## Office of Academic Program Planning



The field of Information Technology (IT) holds some of the fastest growing employment areas. In order to keep current and apply insights gained to our programs in Computer Information Systems and IT, Dr. Curtis Johnson, Asia Browner and Dr. Frank Dunbar attended the Michigan Council of Women in Technology 2014 Executive Connection Summit. Focused on the changing world of IT and the expanding role of women in IT careers, the summit provided valuable information from Chief Information Officers (CIO) from many companies.

## Office of Career Education



The Office of Career Education stays committed to student success and the Completion Agenda. As part of this commitment, we are always looking at ways to increase educational opportunities for our communities and students. This week, several opportunities to explore additional career paths for our students took place:



Dr. Ron Harkness and Dr. George Swan met with representatives from Wayne State University's College of Health Sciences and School of Mortuary Science to explore opportunities for our students within the pathologists' assistant field, mortuary science and health sciences.

Dr. Harkness and Dr. Mark Shikhman continued discussions with Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe to start the process of securing Beaumont for clinical opportunities for surgical first assistant students.



Dr. Harkness and Dr. Harvey Dorrah explored collaborative opportunities with Central Michigan University (CMU) as part of the Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center operations. Potential partnerships could include Central Michigan University working with WCCCD to provide under graduate and graduate degrees for our community and students at both the Harper Woods and Belleville locations.

## Best Practice Visit to Everett Community College



Best Practice Visits (BPVs) can lead to rapid and relevant changes in institutions that are open to new ideas. Additionally, best practice visits are opportunities for new administrators to gain perspective on community colleges and develop relationships with colleagues. Instructional administrators visited Everett Community College and the Seattle Colleges to see a Health and Fitness Center model, and instructional support for students in an urban environment. Dr. Stephanie Bulger, Shawna Forbes, Diane Gonzalez, Dr. Abby Freeman, Mike Dotson and Denise Mallett participated in the site visit and will present their findings in an upcoming meeting.





# CAMPUS STEPS



According to the latest data from the American School Counselor Association, there's a single school counselor for every 471 students in this country. The typical student may get only a few minutes with an advisor over the course of his or her high school experience. A new program hopes to help pick up some of the advising slack by guiding students through tasks related to getting into college. Campus Steps is a free matchmaking application that helps students identify appropriate colleges to apply to based on self-reported data, such as academic achievements, assessment scores and future goals. The database from which it draws matches includes more than 8,500 public and private four-year universities, community colleges and trade and vocational schools.

Advocates for students with disabilities and groups representing colleges and universities are sparring over federal legislation that would set new standards for accessible technology on campuses. At issue is a four-page provision in Senator Tom Harkin's massive proposal to rewrite the Higher Education Act that would require a federal board to establish guidelines for evaluating whether instructional materials and other technology used on campuses are accessible to students with disabilities. Colleges and universities would have to either use only instructional materials that conform to the guidelines or assure the education department that they are providing disabled students with materials that are "substantially equivalent" to those provided to their non-disabled peers.

**Source:**

<http://campustechnology.com/articles/2014/09/18/free-software-matches-students-with-college-choices.aspx?admgarea=news>

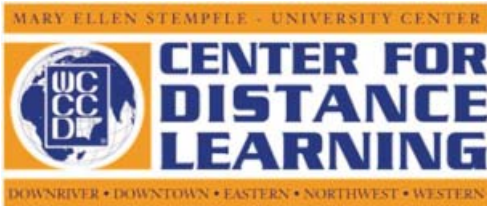
**Source:**

<https://www.insidehighered.com/news/2014/09/19/higher-ed-associations-disability-rights-groups-clash-over-campus-technology>

Google is opening up its Google Maps Gallery service with an expanded array of historical and contemporary maps, as According to Google, the gallery will provide access to all public maps. In addition to the expanded selection of maps, Google is also offering tools through My Maps that allow students and educators to create, edit and share maps. Users can take existing maps and add overlays consisting of starting points, destinations, waypoints, markers, lines, shapes, text and multimedia objects. Google Maps Gallery and My Maps are both available now and are free of charge. **Source:** <http://campustechnology.com>



## Technology on Campus



WCCCD is in the process of increasing Wi-Fi access throughout all campus locations. This upgrade in technology comes at a time when students and faculty are increasing the use of electronic devices on campuses. A recent survey by Pearson Education discovered that the majority of students use laptops or smartphones for school, but many believe that electronic tablets will change the future of education. Eighty-two percent of students surveyed believe that tablets encourage students to buy electronic books and make learning more fun. Some other interesting findings from the report include:



- 54% of college students use a single mobile device during a typical school day
- 9% use three or more devices during a typical school day
- 89% use a laptop every week for school work
- 56% use a smartphone every week for school work
- 33% use a tablet every week for school work
- 96% have wireless Internet access at home
- 91% have wireless Internet access at school

**Source:** <http://campustechnology.com/articles/2014/09/10/report-students-believe-tablets-will-transform-the-future-of-higher-ed.aspx>



## ServiceDesk

As part of the ITTP (Information Technology Transformation Plan), the Division of Information Technology (IT) implemented enhanced a technology incident reporting solution (formerly known as “Helpdesk”). ServiceDesk is an automated incident response and problem resolution for quick, effective remediation of end-user incidents, systemic problems and essential managed changes. ServiceDesk offers a Management Suite to reduce service interruptions, accelerate service restorations, correct systemic issues and reduce downtime – saving valuable IT resources and expenses. Training for the IT Support Team was conducted at the District office. ***The District-wide rollout is coming soon!!***

## Key Benefits

- \* Reduces IT costs and human errors
- \* Streamlines IT and business processes and procedures
- \* Provides a single point of contact to identify and resolve end user incident and systemic problems and essential management changes
- \* Reduces service interruptions, accelerates service restorations, corrects systemic issues and reduces downtime
- \* Makes better informed, time-sensitive decisions based on real-time, data-driven conclusions
- \* Drives innovation by automating common IT processes and adopting new technologies without adding new tools, staff or methodologies



## Information Technology Transformation Plan Display Board



As we continue with the roll-out of the ITTP, informing the District about the numerous benefits of the plan is key. A bulletin board has been created and displayed in the Division of IT showcasing literature summarizing highlights of the ITTP plan.

Website Hits 

September 15-21.014  
48, 071 Hits





# Division of Institutional Effectiveness

## Spotlight



**Kuda Walker and Keri Wallace** from the Division of Institutional Effectiveness, attended the Michigan Community College Collaborative for Accountability, Research and Effectiveness (MCCCARE) quarterly meeting in Lansing, MI. The one-day meeting provided opportunities for collaboration, exchange of ideas and sharing of best practices. Additionally, the meeting covered topics such as:

- National Benchmarking Initiatives (Voluntary Framework of Accountability) Legislative and State Leadership Update
- State Community College Branding Campaign Update
- State Appropriations Act Changes and New Reporting Requirements
- Gainful Employment - Reporting of Disclosures Updates
- Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) Reporting Updates
- Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Reporting Updates
- Voluntary Framework of Accountability (VFA) Presentation and Discussion

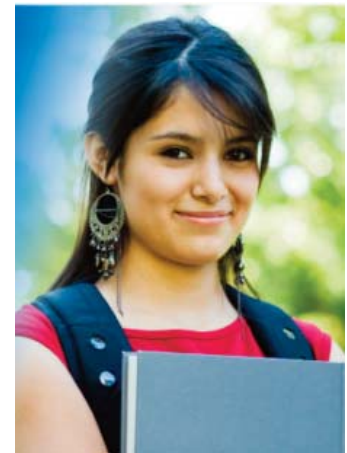
## Program Reviews



The Division of Institutional Effectiveness continues to support the Division of Educational Affairs by providing qualitative and quantitative data to assist in the program review process through creating and updating 50 career program binders.

Program binders include such things as:

- Student Perceptions of Occupational Programs (PROE) Survey Results
- Advisory Committee Perceptions of Course Evaluations Results
- Student Survey of Instruction (SSOI) Survey Results
- Graduate Exit Survey Results
- Awards Conferred
- Grade Distributions

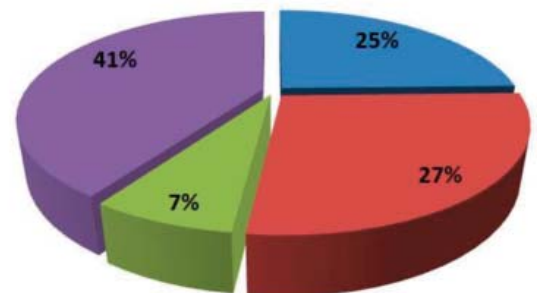


## Program Review Data: 2013-14 Awards Conferred

■ STEM ■ Health Sciences ■ Other Career ■ Transfer

A total of **3,261 awards** were conferred in 2013-14.

- STEM:** Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math
- Health Sciences:** Examples include - Nursing, Dental Hygiene, EMT, Surgical Technology
- Other Career:** Examples include - Criminal Justice, Business Administration, Accounting
- Transfer:** Includes all Associate of Art, Science, and General Studies





During the period of September 15-20, 2014, the District served 1,400 participants by partnering with 13 community organizations.

- Downriver - 932 students
- Downtown - 43 students
- Eastern - 118 students
- Northwest - 286 students
- Western - 21 students

## Continuing Education Staff on the Move...



Shawna Forbes served as a guest speaker for the UST Global Step IT Up training group at the Eastern Campus. She shared insight on her role as the vice chancellor of the School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development and her climb to success with hopes to encourage participants as they near the completion of a successful training.



Melodie Bunkley represented the District at the Michigan Association of Community and Adult Education conference. The session she attended was entitled “First Impressions Count: Options for Managed Intake and Enrollment.” The information shared was valuable as the School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development’s Adult Education Program works to enhance and improve its current processes and building a sense of community for adult learners.



Dr. James Robinson and Michael Poole represented the District at the Conference for Community College Advancement. The conference focused on foundation and grant strategies to increase resources to support student learning and retention. Topics also included blueprints for engaging alumni and partners to advance institutional goals and objectives.



Sheila Mulhern also represented the District this week as she attended the Career Pathways Day hosted by the Workforce Intelligence Network (WIN) for Southeast Michigan, Detroit Jobs Alliance and Corporation for a Skilled Workforce (CSW). The conference focused on strategies to build and develop strong career pathways in the areas of technology, manufacturing, customer service, and healthcare.



# International Programs and Global Partnerships



## Film Screening of “Vincent Who?”

The International Programs and Global Partnerships Department hosted the film screening of “Vincent Who” by Curtis Chin at the Eastern Campus. Mr. Chin is an award-winning writer and producer who spoke on the 1982 tragedy of Vincent Chin. As a community activist, he co-founded the Asian American Writers Workshop and Asian Pacific Americans for Progress. In 2008, he served on Barack Obama’s Asian American Leadership Council where he participated in helping the campaign reach out to the Asian American Pacific Islander community.



## Office of Accountability and Transparency

The Continuous Quality Improvement Audit Center collects, reviews and conducts monthly reconciliations and on-going audits of all District data. A systematic approach is used to procure data from multiple sources, allowing for collective knowledge through accountability and transparency. The Office of Accountability and Transparency is currently working to review inventory procedures for our Distribution Center. All inventory is delivered to the Distribution Center to be logged, inventoried and delivered to the appropriate division or campus.





# Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE)



## Detroit Fire Department Training Division

MIPSE hosted the Detroit Fire Department's Training Division for Hazardous Materia training.



## Confined Space Program Training Course

MIPSE hosted the County of Wayne's Wastewater Treatment Facility staff for a Permit-Required Confined Space Program Training Course taught by Elite Technical Services Group, Inc. Participants learned about controlling and, where appropriate, for protecting employees from permit space hazards and for regulating employee entry into permit spaces.



## Wayne County Sheriff's Training Unit



MIPSE hosted the Wayne County Sheriff's Training Unit for a prescription drug trafficking seminar. This seminar will enhance law enforcement officers with prescription narcotics enforcement techniques and drug recognition.

## MIPSE IS-700 and 800 Courses



# FEMA

MIPSE presented a FEMA IS-700 National Incident Management System Awareness (NIMS) Training and IS 800A National Response Plan course. Participants engaged in incident command leadership training.

## AWR-160 WMD Awareness-Level Training Course



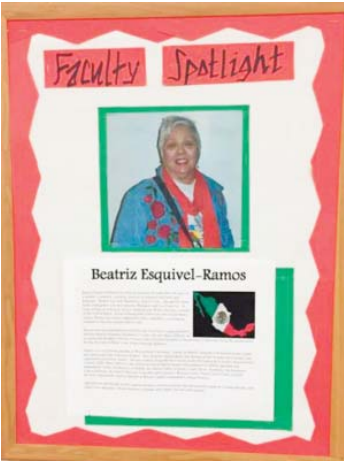
MIPSE presented a Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) Terrorism Awareness for Emergency Responders Level training course that provides emergency responders with awareness-level instruction on recognition, avoidance, isolation, and notification techniques in a WMD environment.



## Michigan Department of Transportation

MIPSE hosted the Michigan Department of Transportation for a Train-the-Trainer session in Mi-TIME (Michigan Traffic Incident Management Effort) for a 10-hour intensive course. This course is a new coordinated, multi-disciplinary training program developed through the Strategic Highway Research Program (SHRP2) and deployed in Michigan and made available for all first responders supporting traffic incident management operations.





## Faculty Spotlight at the Downtown Campus

The Downtown Campus Instructional Office will be highlighting faculty that have achieved major accomplishments in their career as well as in the community. This month the “Faculty Spotlight” will be showcasing Spanish Instructor Beatriz Esquivel-Ramos. Ms. Esquivel has been an educator for more than 30 years as a teacher, counselor, catechist, director of religious education and principal. In her spare time, she enjoys cooking and serving dinner to the Southwest Detroit community Latinos of Southeastern Michigan.

## Work Study Job Fair

The Job Fair started with a supervisor orientation giving an overview of the Federal Work Study Program. Following the orientation each partner hosted a table to present information and conduct interviews with current work study students.



## Sickle Cell Disease Association of America

Participants had the opportunity to experience in a simulation walk that represented the “flow” of blood in individuals living with sickle cell disease. Educational information regarding Sickle Cell Anemia Disease was also disseminated. Resources regarding client assistance support, educational programs and facts to dispel myths were also given to participants.



# TRIO

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

## TRIO 50th Anniversary

TRIO celebrated their 50th Anniversary by hosting an event at the Downtown Campus. Students enjoyed cake to celebrate this milestone. Informational sessions were held to help recruit new members and provide existing members with information about the program, study-skills development, tutoring benefits, as well as personal/academic advising.




## Empowerment Project

The Downtown Campus continued the Empowerment Project series this week. This is an interdisciplinary non-credit course designed to equip WCCCD students with both the essential skill-set and knowledge base to realize their potential through action. This course of study is comprehensive, detailed, illuminating and impactful; designed to take the participant from self-doubt to self-actualization over a concentrated six-week period.



The Eastern Campus hosted the 50th Anniversary of Federal TRiO programs. The theme for the anniversary is TRiO: Celebrating 50 Years of Promoting Excellence by Providing Hope and Opportunity for Success.

## Open Mic Poetry Night

The Eastern Campus closed the evening of "Welcome Week" with an open mic poetry night with students and staff.



## President's Book Club

Mawine Diggs hosted an appreciation luncheon for the closing session of "How to be a Lady and How to be a Gentleman" President's Summer Book Clubs.







### Dental Hygiene Program

Second year dental hygiene students welcomed the 2014 first year dental hygiene students with a luncheon. This

was a wonderful opportunity for our first year students to network and formally meet their second year student “Big Sister/Big Brothers” as well as introduce the new students to their professional organization and responsibilities of the Student American Dental Hygiene Association.

### Classic Car Show

The Northwest Campus recently hosted a classic car show. Community members were invited to participate and also showcase their classic cars and share with other car enthusiasts their knowledge of the automobile industry.



### Flat Screen Display Programs

New flat screen monitors have been installed at the Larry K. Lewis Education Center at the Northwest Campus. The screens display program sheets and necessary courses. Students seem very pleased to have this advising tool available to them while they move around the campus. This also provides additional opportunity to relate current information about program offerings, upcoming events and other information that will be of interests to students, faculty and staff.



## Health Science Open House

September 30, 2014  
10:30am-1:00pm  
Northwest Campus  
Welcome Center



# University Center-West



# MARY ELLEN STEMPFLE UNIVERSITY CENTER

Staff from Siena Heights University visited the Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center-West leadership team to discuss the possibility of becoming a partner. Leading the team from Siena Heights was Deborah Carter, Dean, College for Professional Studies accompanied by Cheri Betz, Southeast Regional Director and Angela Pinkett, Assistant Center Director. Mike Dotson and Dr. Frank Dunbar represented the District. Program opportunities were discussed and a tour of the Western Campus was given to the team.



# Western Campus

## College Night

The Western Campus hosted College Night this week. Representatives from more than 60 colleges and universities were present to provide information about academic programs and transfer opportunities. Community members, WCCCD students and students from local high schools came to learn about the many opportunities available.



## Members of Freedom Riders Speak to Political Science Students

“Freedom Riders”, members of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) spoke to students in Professor Peggy Frankie’s Political Science class. The discussion was in remembrance of the Freedom Summer. Marilyn Lowen and Dorothy Aldridge presented to students about their experience in Mississippi, part of a larger efforts by civil rights groups such as the Congress on Racial Equality and the SNCC to expand black voting in the South.

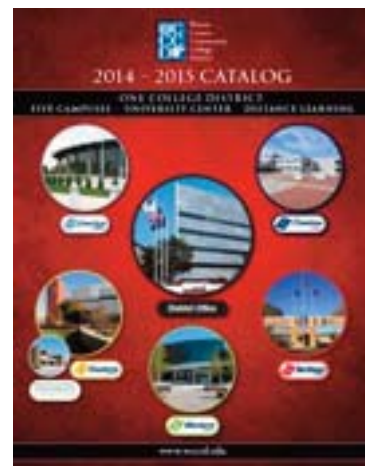
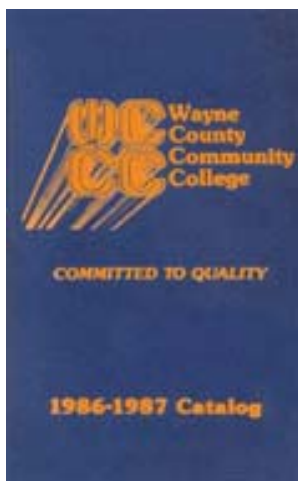






## In Celebration of 50 Years

For nearly half a century, WCCCD has served the higher education needs of Wayne County. As the 50th Anniversary approaches it is always interesting to have a visual reminder how the District has evolved over the years. As an example, here is a selection of catalog covers from four different decades to get a sense of the ongoing journey.



### Taylor International Rotary Meeting

Staff at the Downriver Campus attended the Taylor International Rotary meeting with District 6400 Governor Liz Smith as the guest of honor.



### City of Romulus



Mike Dotson and Cecile Taylor met with Larry Burcoff, City of Romulus Mayor and Time Keyes, Director of Economic Development for the City of Romulus to discuss future partnership possibilities and training initiatives.

Andy Steeby and Lina Warra met with Terri Brinston, Romulus High School Health Occupation Teacher, and a group of senior students and their parents to discuss dual enrollment in a Basic EMT class in October. During this meeting, students were given admissions applications and enrollment information.

### Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber

Staff from the Downriver and Western campuses attended the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber's (SWCRC) Legislative Forum. The guest speakers were Michigan House of Representative Candidates from Districts 6, 12, 13, 14, 17, 21 and 23. Anthony Arminiak also attended the SWCRC Board of Directors retreat.



Gil Solis, from MIPSE attended the Michigan Fire Inspectors Society Fall Seminar at Michigan State University.



Presents

WORLD RENOWNED ASTROPHYSICIST

**DR. NEIL  
DEGRASSE  
TYSON**

Please join Wayne County Community College District as we celebrate nearly two decades of student success at the Chancellor's Banquet with an outstanding presentation from

**WORLD RENOWNED ASTROPHYSICIST**

**DR. NEIL  
DEGRASSE TYSON**

The banquet will be held on  
**Tuesday, September 30, 2014**  
 at the Detroit-Marriott-Renaissance Center.

We hope you will be able to join us for this very exciting banquet. All proceeds will go to the WCCCD Student Scholarship Fund.

Tickets at \$150 each will be distributed on a first come first serve basis. To reserve your seat now call: 313-496-2510.