

Chancellor's Weekend Memo



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American Black Journal with Stephen Henderson



This week I was interviewed by Jennifer White from American Black Journal with Stephen Henderson for a special Father's Day show to be aired on Sunday.



Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center and Madonna University Partnership Signing Ceremony



Sister Rose Marie Kujawa
President of Madonna University



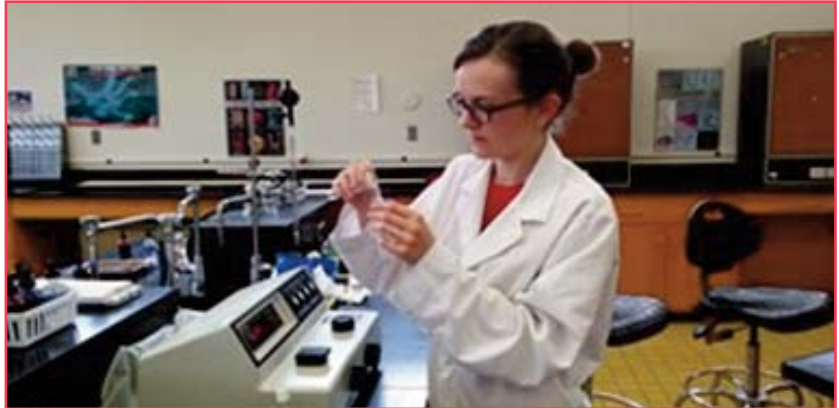
Professional Development

Conversation with Dr. Zackary Hodges

President, Houston Community College, Northwest Region



Division of Student Services



A select number of WCCCD students are taking part in a research experience supported by the Division of Student Services and the Michigan Louis Stokes Alliance Minority Participation (MI-LSAMP). MI-LSAMP is a federally funded program offered by the National Science Foundation. The research groups are making an assessment of micro-aquatic life and chemical analysis of select sites on the Detroit River.



Financial Aid

The District Financial Aid Office is preparing for the new aid year, while closing out 2014-2015 at the same time. Processors work to ensure that student's accounts are processed within the turnaround time of four weeks.

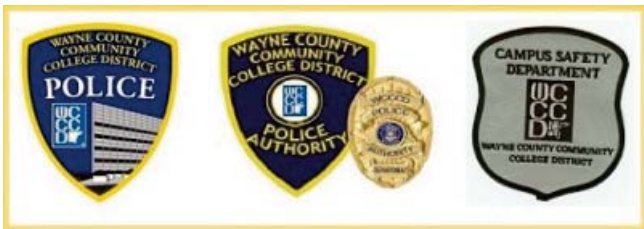


Adult learners complete their GED studies at the WCCCD Considine Center.

Next stop.....WCCCD!!
Congratulations!!



The Division of Student Services has specialized programs for all demographics. **TRIO** supports first generation and/or disabled students; ACCESS supports disabled students while veterans affairs supports veterans and their families. These services are available to assist the students with the necessary tools for college success!



District Police Authority

Wayne County Sheriff's Partnership

The District Police Authority Department and the Wayne County Sheriff's Department recently launched an initiative to enhance safety of areas near and around all WCCCD campuses through additional police patrols. In partnership with the Wayne County Sheriff's Department, District Police Authority are responding to the concerns of our students and our community and creating a safer environment for everyone.



The Wayne County Sheriff's Special Response Team train with officers for rapid deployment.

Chief Darrick Muhammad and Captain Barihja Livadic met with Wayne County Sheriff Deputy Chief Jaafar.



Deputy Horn and Corporal Austin assess the new Wayne County Sheriff's Department detail office.



Administration and Finance



Travel Expense Reports for FY 2014-15



To ensure timely processing of fiscal year-end professional development travel-related expenses, approved travelers should complete and submit a Professional Development-Travel Expense Report to Finance by June 30, 2015, and include the following:

- Appropriate supervisory signatures
- Back-up documentation and original receipts where required
- Conference Summary Report

Per Section 10.8 (Professional Development Travel) of the Finance Handbook, professional development expense reports are to be submitted for processing within ten working days after the conference or workshop.



Financial Aid Disbursements

The Bursar's Office is in the process of completing the refund audit for the first financial aid disbursement of Summer 2015. Once complete, refunds will be issued by Higher One to students based on their refund preference. Students can choose to have their refund delivered to their Higher One card, by direct deposit, or via check. It is extremely important for students to select a refund preference as soon as they receive their Higher One card to prevent delays in receiving their refund.

Administration and Finance **Deferred Maintenance**



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Legislative Corner

Hearing Set for Baccalaureate

The Senate Commerce Committee chair Wayne Schmidt scheduled another hearing this week. The bill would expand community college baccalaureate authorization to include nursing, ski area management, wastewater treatment, allied health, manufacturing, and information technology.



In the Mail...

Dear Edgar Vann III,

Thanks for traveling with our coalition yesterday to Lansing. Your presence and participation made a huge impact. WCCCD is better positioned because you are on the team. Great presentation on our bus ride home. Let's plan to connect and look for natural moments to collaborate over these summer months. Call me when you need anything.

Heaster Wheeler
Director of Outreach, The Choice is Ours



Edgar Vann III and other higher education advocates met with Representative Ed McBroom in Lansing who serves on the Education Committee.

House Passes Road Plan

The House of Representatives passed its plan to pump additional funding into Michigan roads. The plan, which relies largely on assumed growth as well as redirecting funds from Michigan's film incentives, certain economic development tools, and the repeal of the Earned Income Tax Credit passed largely along party lines.

First in the World Grants

The U.S. Education Department is accepting proposals for its \$60 million First in the World program. Grants will fund the development and testing of innovative approaches to improve postsecondary education. The deadline is June 26, 2015.

State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA)

There are now 23 states approved as part of the national SARA initiative. SARA is a nationwide initiative of states that will make distance education courses more accessible to students across state lines and make it easier for states to regulate and institutions to participate in interstate distance education.

NEH Grant Program for Community Colleges: The Humanities Initiatives as Community Colleges Program aims to enhance community college humanities programs, resources and courses.

WEEKLY UPDATE

ITTP Project Update Western Campus Student Kiosk Installation

The student kiosk project has been implemented at the Western Campus!



CISCO 3850 PoE Switch

The new Cisco 3850 Power over Ethernet switch deployment is complete at the Downriver Campus, allowing the deployment of the new VoIP phones across the entire campus. The UPS battery backs have been shipped and will be installed in each data closet, providing back up emergency power. The first remote data center has been installed at the Downriver Campus. TThe backup data center will provide backup access to critical applications such as Banner and Cisco call manager for phone call routing in the event of a failure in the data center.



Division of Educational Affairs



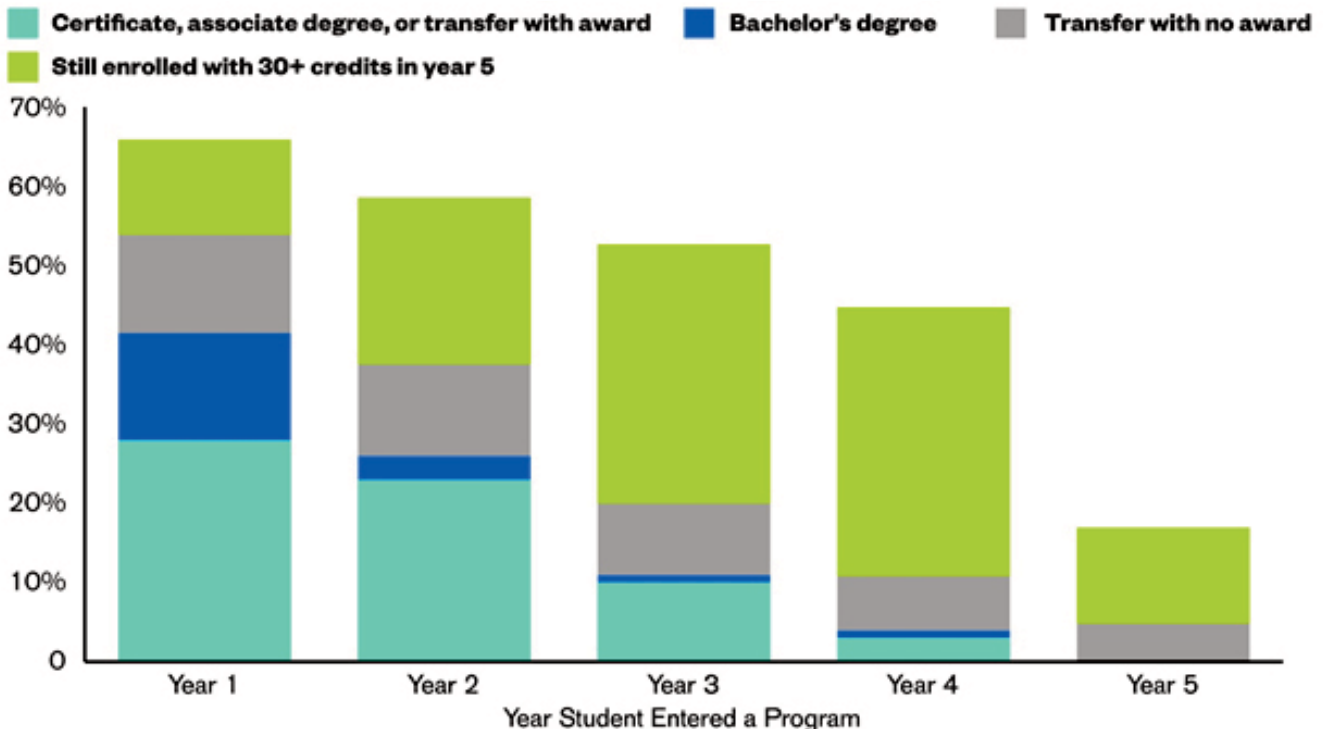
Accelerated or Fast-Track Developmental Education

Research from the Center for Community College Student Engagement (CCCSE) shows promising results in accelerating students through development courses. The District is engaged in looking at a pilot program that would assist individuals in reaching math proficiency through adaptive learning technology prior to enrolling for their first course at WCCCD. According to CCCSE, this is one of seven best practices noted to promote student persistence, retention and completion.

Promoting the Completion Agenda Through Early Program Entry

The Division of Educational Affairs is exploring ways to strengthen programs of intent early in a student's matriculation as it supports the Completion Agenda and the development of course and program offerings throughout the District. A Community College Research Center (CCRC) study of community colleges in one state found a strong correlation between early program entry (defined as passing three courses in a program area) and degree completion or transfer: More than half of the students who entered a program in their first year earned a credential or transferred within five years.

Five-Year Student Outcomes by Year of Program Entry¹²



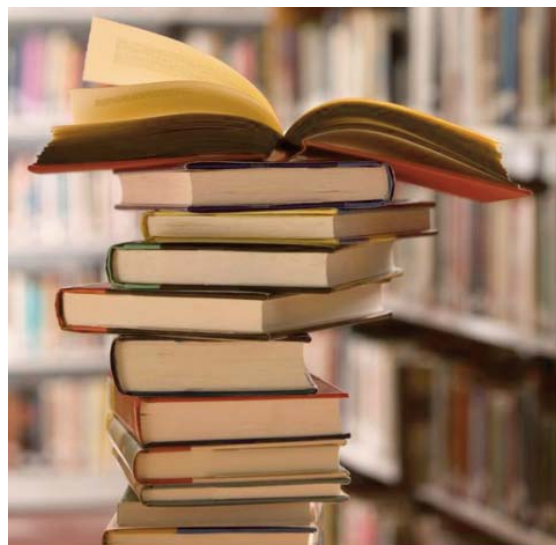
Division of Educational Affairs

Learning Resource Center

LRC Satisfaction Survey is Now Available for Summer 2015 semester!

Your input and feedback is needed to help the Learning Resource Centers with strategic planning and to improve the quality of services and resources offered to users. Click the following link to participate today.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/SU15LRCSurvey>



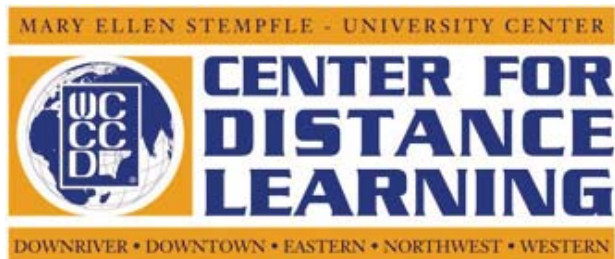
LearningExpress
LIBRARY™

LRC Resource of the Week

Learning Express Library: Whatever your goal, Learning Express Library's resources will help you succeed. Each of our Learning Centers offer practice tests, exercises, skill-building courses, eBooks, and information you need to achieve the results you want—at school, at work, or in life.

Access from LRC's Learning Tools page. http://www.wccd.edu/dept/learning_resource_center.htm

<http://www.learningexpresshub.com/productengine/LELIndex.html#/college-center/resources/prepare-for-college-placement-exams/accuplacer-preparation/accuplacer-arithmetic-practice-tests>



WCCCD online students and faculty will have a new tool to help increase student interaction, which may result in increased student success. Blackboard Analytics will allow students to track their activity within the online classroom such as; course access, time within the course, interactions with others, and assignment submissions. Students will also be able to compare their activity to those of their classmates to see how they fare. Faculty will be able to obtain class averages for these activities and compare them to other classes within their discipline. These metrics will help student and faculty see how much effort they are putting into their course work.

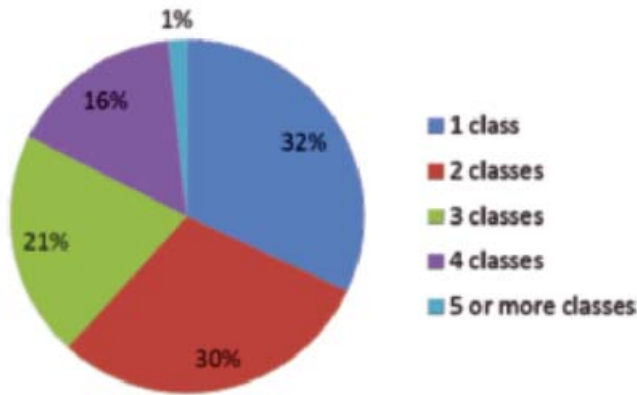




How Are We Serving Our Students?

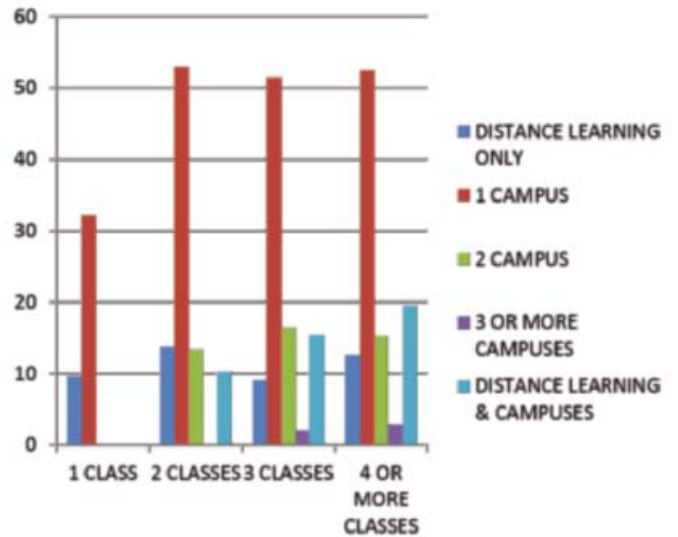
The Division of Institutional Effectiveness collects data and conducts analysis on service satisfaction to support improvements on each of the campuses. This data is used to evaluate opportunities and strengths to support decision-making to meet the needs of students as well as promote alignment district-wide. Below is a snapshot of student mobility and campus locations.

Number of Classes



AVG: 2 CLASSES PER STUDENT

Percentage of Students by Class Load



With more than 40% of the students taking classes through distance learning and/or two or more campuses, the Division conducts the Learning Resource Center and Self-Service Center survey each semester to gather feedback from student experiences and usage of these campus services.

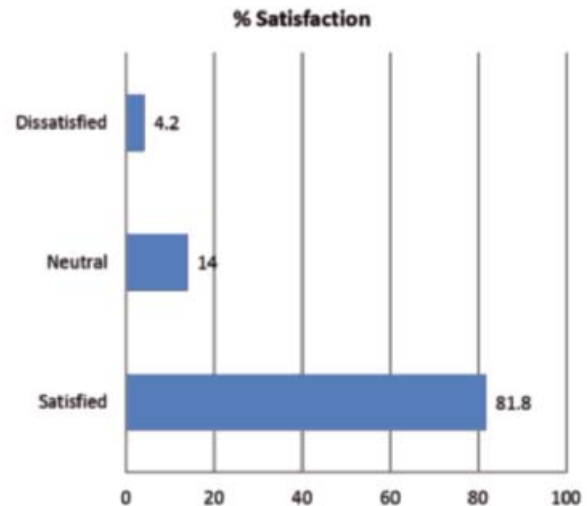
Top 3 Reasons for Visiting the Learning Resource Center

72.4% use computers

53.7% to find a quiet place to study.

52.8% to borrow books.

Self-Service Center



Division of Human Resources



HR Process

Returning From Medical Leave

All employees returning from a medical leave are required to have their return to work documents sent **directly from the physician's office to the Division of Human Resources** via fax at (313) 963-5816 or via U.S Postal Service.

Please be aware that this a compliance protocol that is essential in ensuring confidentiality, as well as, an assurance of an expedient return to work. The process may take up to 72 hours for review and reconciliation. If you have any questions please contact the Division of Human Resources at (313) 496-2765.

Step 1: Doctor must submit return to work documents directly to HR

Step 2: All documents are reviewed by HR for accountability

Step 3: Decision is communicated to the employee and appropriate campus president or vice chancellor



Dates to Remember

- Employee Contracts are due **July 8, 2015**
- UAW Appraisals are due **June 30, 2015**
- Employee Pay for the July 4th will be on **July 3, 2015**
- WCCCD Retirement Celebration



Office of Accountability and Transparency

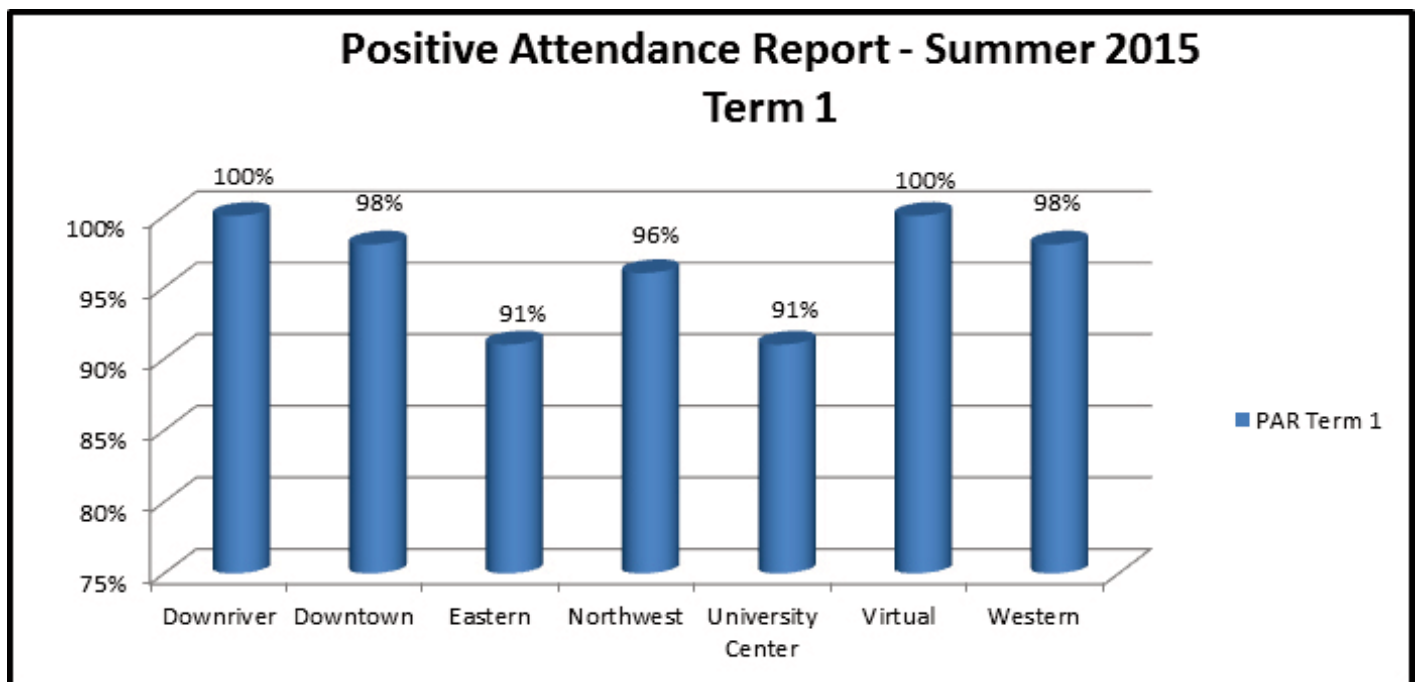


Positive Attendance- Summer 2015

The Office of Accountability is working with the Divisions of Student Services and Educational Affairs to monitor attendance reporting to remain compliant with financial aid requirements. Campus presidents support both divisions by working directly with faculty to ensure 100% of student attendance. Below is a representation of each campuses Term 1 attendance.



Drive for Perfect ATTENDANCE



The School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development

Congratulations GED Class of 2015!

The School of Continuing Education and Economic and Workforce Development would like to congratulate the 2015 GED graduates. Their dedication and hard work deserves special recognition as a result of their astonishing accomplishments.



The School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development



Downriver Campus

Kids' Fish 'n Fun Day

Program Objective: This educational program was designed to bring practical information and combined hands-on instruction about fishing and water safety to young people between the ages of 7 and 12 years. Certificates of completion were awarded.

Total Continuing Education Student Participation: 82



Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber Connections Networking Group Workshop

Program Objective: The purpose of the workshop was to expose local businesses to one another and provide resources available which may help them move their businesses forward.

Total Continuing Education Participation: 9

The School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development



Downriver Campus

Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education



Downriver SWAT Team Training

Program Objective: Participants were provided training in the tower building. They also practiced the proper way to prepare, descending, and the importance of effective communication.

**Total Continuing
Education Participation: 17**

Coaching Emergency Vehicle Operations

Program Objective: The goal of the CEVO course was to facilitate the student's knowledge of the laws involving the operation of an emergency vehicle, with practical hands on opportunities to evaluate each student's driving abilities.

**Total Continuing
Education Participation: 12**



The School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development



Downtown Campus

Celebrating a New Generation of Leadership

Program Objective: The National Newspaper Publishers Association presented National Youth Empowerment Day 2015. This conference was designed for youth to explore new ways to redefine success and how to achieve it.

Total Continuing Education Participation: 307



Detroit Urban League – “Before the Job Hunt”



Program Objective: This program was designed to provide participants with useful information that will assist them to identify a career path and support their job search strategy.

Total Continuing Education Participation: 96

Toastmasters

Program Objective: This workshop was designed to help participants manage the fear of speaking before a group and to make them effective in projecting their message to an audience.

Total Continuing Education Participation: 17

The School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development



Eastern Campus

Ecommerce Marketing with Mark Maupin

Program Objective: The purpose of this workshop was to help people improve in their presence.

**Total Continuing
Education Participation: 17**



The Forex Investment Market

Program Objective: The purpose of this workshop was to give an overview of the currency trading market and strategies to make a profit.

Retirement Planning

Program Objective: This workshop identified how retirement is changing and why pensions are so critical to the future. There was also information available on personal pension and Social Security options.

**Total Continuing
Education Participation: 36**



The School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development



Northwest Campus

2015 Kids Summer Camps

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics)

Program Objective: Camp provided an exciting opportunity to build STEM knowledge and incorporate teamwork and foster a creative environment with the use of LEGO® Mindstorm and a computer.

Total Community Education Participation: 23

Grammar Blast Camp

Program Objective: The Grammar Blast Camp gave children ways to explore the wonders and quirks of the English Language which included the parts of speech, sentence usage, punctuation, and spelling.

Total Community Education Participation: 17

Chess Camp

Program Objective: Chess Camp provided ways for children to tap into the critical thinking process as they learned board setup, chess piece movement, game theory and how to win the game.

Total Community Education Participation: 10



The School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development



Western Campus

Romulus Library/Romulus Chamber/WCCCD Lunch and Learn Workshop

Business and community leaders gathered to learn about current leadership strategies and tactics to make the most of their organizations.

Total Continuing Education Participation: 65



Jack and Jill Programming Workshop

Program Objective: Families and community leaders met to investigate workshop topics to help area youth grow and develop.

Total Continuing Education Participation: 20





Multi-Campus Highlights



Taylor Rotary – Robotics Team

The Downriver Campus hosted a special Taylor International Rotary meeting with the Taylor School District Robot Team.



Taylor Conservatory Music and Art in the Gardens

Staff from the Downriver Campus attended the opening performance of the Taylor Conservatory Foundation presented by WCCCD's Heinz C. Prechter Educational and Performing Arts Center, 2015 Summer Concert Series.



On the Move...

- * Anthony Arminiak attended the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber Executive Board of Directors meeting. He also attended the Taylor International Rotary Executive Board of Directors meeting.
- * Andy Steeby and Anthony Arminiak met with Terri Brinston from Romulus High School's, Health Occupation Program to discuss additional partnerships opportunities and training for dual enrollment students.
- * Deborah Duyck and Steve Wildern met with David Osborne, Director of Production for the Michigan Opera Theatre to discuss partnership opportunities.

Southgate Community Schools Adult and Community Education Graduation Ceremony

The Asher School of Southgate Adult and Community Education held its annual graduation ceremony at the Heinz C. Prechter Educational and Performing Arts Center.



Multi-Campus Highlights



Staff, students and the community came to join us for fitness and fun with Zumba!

Participants learned steps for improving coordination and mobility; ways to incorporate healthy diet and lifestyle into their daily routine; and how to tone, sculpt the body and maximize caloric output.

Classroom Enhancement

World renowned, jazz musician, Kevin Toney stopped by Dr. Ella Davis' AAS 175 class to speak about the rich experience of African American music history.



LRC Training Sessions

A training session on Microsoft Word and PowerPoint was presented in the Downtown LRC. Learning these programs further enhanced the student's working knowledge of computers and it will also help students excel in their course work.

District-Wide Book Club

"Book Club in a Bag" is held every third Tuesday of the month. Downtown Campus participants had a fun-filled afternoon engaging in conversation around this month's book "Perfect Peace" by Daniel Black. The campus LRC will have 10 copies of the selected title that can be checked out with a valid library card.





Multi-Campus Highlights



Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning

Instructor Gerard Hightower's HVA 118 Codes and Regulations and HVA 202 Steam 1 class shows off their skills brazing and soldering copper tubing.



Congratulations Daniel Saunders!

After training completion, the Association of Energy Engineers has certified Daniel Saunders as a Certified Energy Manager®(CEM); which recognizes individuals who have demonstrated high levels of experience, competence, proficiency, and ethical fitness in the energy management profession.



Library Orientations

The Eastern Campus Learning Resource Center conducted open library orientations to explain the various information resources and services available to students, staff and faculty.





Multi-Campus Highlights



WCCCD's Nursing Program Offers Several Tips to Keep You Healthy This Summer!

Be aware that heat exposure can cause severe injury and even heat related death. Most heat related incidents occur in the hot summer months, with the elderly, very young, and people with chronic health problems, however, healthy individuals are targets as well if preventive precautions are not practiced. You can protect yourself during the time of day when the sun's ultraviolet (UV) rays are strongest or when the heat index is at its peak – between 10:00am and 4:00pm. Taking the following precautions can reduce your risk:

- Drink plenty of water or other non-alcoholic beverages
- Alternate water with sports drinks if actively involved in strenuous activity during these hours
- Wear lightweight, loose-fitting clothing that is light in color
- Reduce strenuous activities until the cooler parts of the day when the heat index is at its lowest
- Wear sunscreen and protective lip balm to reduce your risk of sunburn - even a few serious sunburns can increase your risk of getting skin cancer (CDC, 2014)





Multi-Campus Highlights



MARY ELLEN STEMPFLE
**UNIVERSITY
CENTER**

Dual Enrollment Expansion Opportunity



The Mary Ellen Stempfley University Center administration team met with Todd Biederwolf, Superintendent of Harper Woods School District, to discuss the expansion of the current degree program offerings, to include a career program track, for the dual enrollment students.



Chandler Park Academy Dual Enrollment Students

Summer semester courses started for the dual enrollment students from Chandler Park Academy. There are 57 students enrolled in seven courses that are offered at the Academy and at the Eastern Campus.

On the Move . . .

* Denis Karic and Orlando Wilkins represented the District with an information table at the “Music on the Plaza” sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Village Downtown Development Authority.



* Dr. Sandra Robinson represented the District at the monthly meeting of the Metro Bureau. (Dr. Robinson is pictured with Dr. Janice Green, Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs at Wayne State University.)



Multi-Campus Highlights



Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning Lab Updates

Instructor Dick Reutz and students in HVAC class have been working during the summer semester to make updates to the HVAC lab, and have completed installation of ductwork and new piping to update the configuration of the lab.



On the Move...

- * Mike Dotson attended the Belleville Community Annual Dock Party. At this event each year sponsored by the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce, new Board members are introduced and sworn into office.
- * Mr. Dotson and Cecile Taylor met with representatives from the Department of Human Services to make plans for a workshop at the campus this summer.
- * Frank Dunbar and Mike Dotson met with instructor Eric Bertram to review plans and budget needs for the new Craft Brewing Lab at the Western Campus.

Office of Institutional Advancement

The WCCCD Scholarship Committee's new Elsa Urbani Weissenberg Technology Program Scholarship for Fall 2015 deadline is set for July 1st! Please spread the word to our students and community members about this tremendous opportunity! Visit the following link to get more information and the scholarship application.

<http://www.wcccd.edu/about/pdfs/Scholarship%20App%20Packet%202015-16%20FINALx.pdf>



International Programs and Global Partnerships New Digital Strategies Needed to Recruit Foreign Students

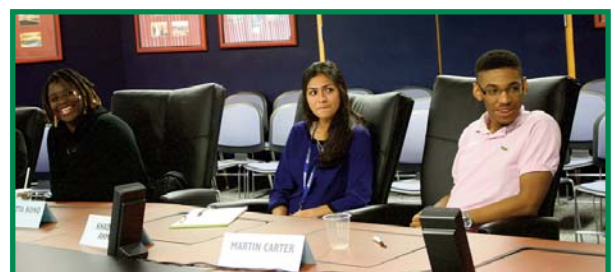
A survey of nearly 5,000 America-bound international students has recommended that to boost recruitment, colleges should adapt to student technology use, embrace the marketing power of the university network and tailor content to communicate their value propositions to students.

A report on the survey, Bridging the Digital Divide: Segmenting and recruiting international millennial students, was published recently by World Education Services (WES). "To achieve effective and informed international enrolment strategies, we recommend that higher education institutions adopt evidence-based practices to better understand the constantly changing needs and behaviors of international students," says the report.

Source: The Chronicle of Higher Education



Summer Intern Luncheon

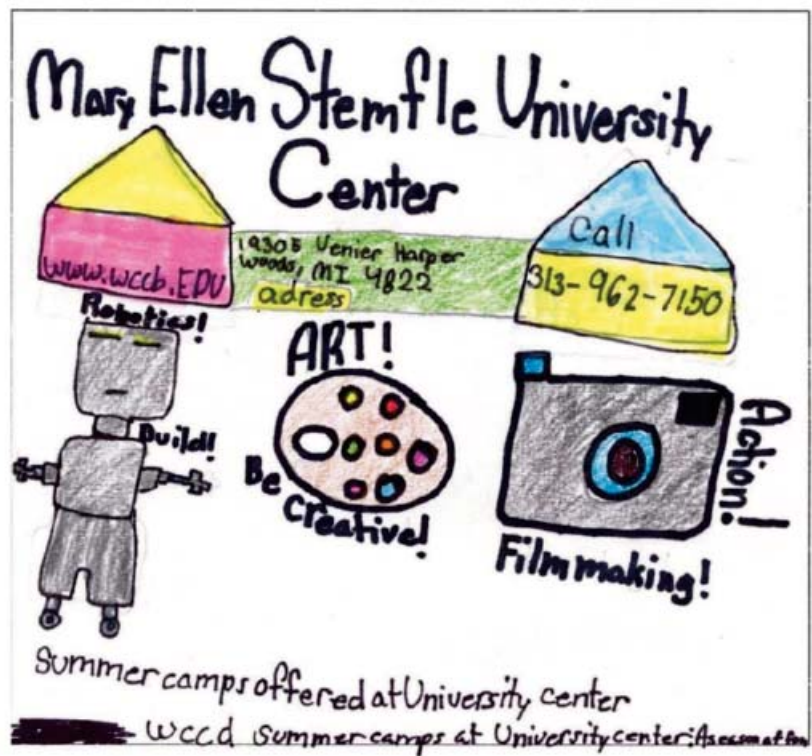


MEDIA



The Grosse Pointe News publishes an ad section where local public children create an ad for each participating business in the community. The ads were then judged and the winning ads were featured in the Grosse Pointe News supplement Kid's Ads. Sadie, age 10 from Defer Elementary School ad represented the Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center!

Kudos to Sadie for a job well done!



Sadie • Defer Elementary School • Age 10

See the News Herald for these other current articles!

“Congratulations to Taylor School District’s Early College Program Graduates”

“Congratulations to Wayne County Community College District’s Nursing Program”



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

District staff attended New Detroit's 17th Annual Closing the Gap Awards Ceremony. (Attendees: Donnell Mason, CharMaine Hines, Oluwatosin Balogun, Annette Black, Fidelis D'Cunha, Raquel Newell).



Michael Poole represented the District at the Detroit Economic Club workshop.



Dr. Curtis Greene attended the 7th Annual Symposium at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute in Ashburn VA.



Dr. Sandra Robinson represented the District at the community forum introducing the new president of St. John Hospital, Beth Meyer. Ms. Meyer talked about the expansion of partnerships with community organizations to promote health and wellness. (Dr. Robinson is pictured with community members.)

Drs. James Robinson and John Ray represented the District at the Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training Conference.



Blast from our past!



Faculty and students



Staff at signing agreement with University of Detroit 2002



Historic Campus Bookstore



Registration -Downtown Campus Atrium

Study ABROAD

BRING THE WORLD HOME

An article by Dr. Allen E. Goodman, President for the Institute for International Education (IIE), stressed the importance of foreign language education. "While English tends to be the lingua franca there are still many reasons to learn more than a few words from people with whom we share the world." This quote is on target with the WCCCD's Study Abroad Program where emphasis is placed on languages to enable students to carry on a daily conversation in a foreign language. The following are languages in which students have learned basic words and phrases:



Good Morning
German-guten morgen
Spanish-buenos días
Greek-Καλημέρα
Portuguese-bom dia
Italian-buongiorno

