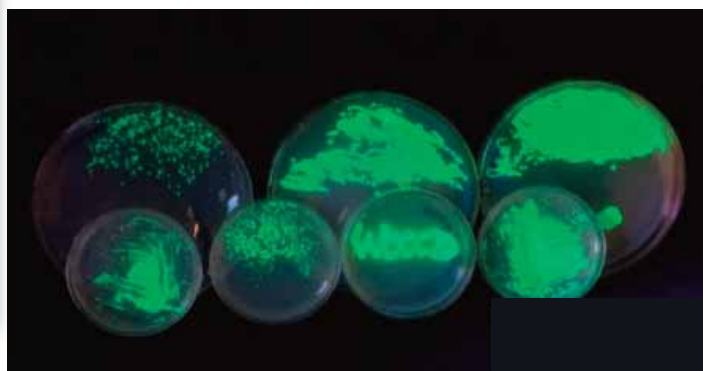


WCCCD Students Bioengineer E.coli to Glow!

E.coli bacteria do not naturally glow when exposed to ultraviolet light. However, students taking microbiology with Desiree Meyers, Ph.D., bioengineered E.coli cells by inserting a jellyfish gene into their DNA to enable them to glow bright green. The image below shows agar plates of genetically modified E.coli glowing under UV light. This is a first for WCCCD students!



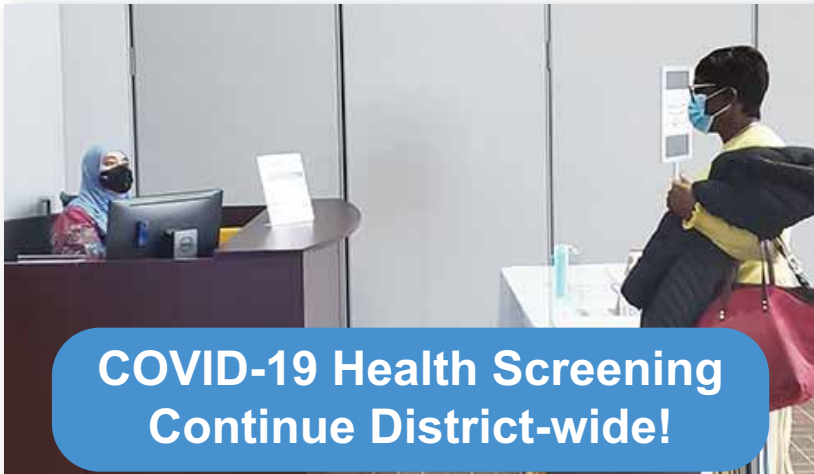


COVID-19 Special Unit

Michigan Institute of
Public Safety Education

Michigan Department of Health and Services

Our partnership with MDHHS is expanding to include the launch of pediatric vaccinations at our Northwest Campus beginning on December 4, 2021. Children ages 5 to 11 are now eligible for the Pfizer BioNtech’s COVID-19 pediatric vaccine. This is an important step which brings us hope and will help to protect our children and families against COVID-19.



**COVID-19 Health Screening
Continue District-wide!**



**COVID-19 Student
Contact Tracing**

Testing, vaccinations, and boosters are also available at our Downriver and Ted Scott campuses as well as at the Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center. Please contact the campus for hours and availability.



WCCCD Recognized for Educational Programs

I was honored to accept the Inkster Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority’s “2021 Diamond Community Partner Award.” The award, which will be a part of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority’s Eta Iota Omega Chapter of Inkster’s 60th Anniversary Virtual Gala, recognized WCCCD’s support in achieving major milestones which include initiatives related to enhancing and enrichment educational programs throughout the community.



Division of Workforce and Economic Development

Workforce and Economic Development Grants and Contract Training Update

NEW CONTRACT: Detroit Economic Solutions Corporation recently entered its second Master Training Agreement with WCCCD, providing tuition support for training residents to become professional truck drivers.

NEW GRANT: Two trucking companies are providing retention payment bonuses for WCCCD completers who hire with their companies.

PEPSICO GRANTS: Stipends were provided for 20 Summer 2021 Commercial Driver's License Program completers.



Commercial Driver's License Program

WCCCD is entering its fifth year as Michigan's only community college training professional truck drivers, 18% whom are women, who only make up 7% of the industry.



Grant Submitted!

The Division of Workforce and Economic Development submitted a Connecting Minority Communities grant application with our partners Detroit Department of Innovation, Inclusion and Technology, and Verizon Wireless.



Division of Student Services



Outreach and Recruitment

Mumford High School seniors were excited to complete their WCCCD application for Fall 2022 admission.



Virtual Global Conversations Speaker Series

Brian Dixon with Off the Chain Capital, spoke on wealth and the digital future. Topics included: The History of Money; Bitcoin as Innovation; Bitcoin Value, Digital Asset Universe and Decentralized Finance.



Phi Theta Kappa

Phi Theta Kappa officers met to practice for the virtual PTK induction ceremony scheduled for December 10, 2021. A link will be sent out to all students to share with their friends and family.





Division of Student Services



Student Success Center

The MI Reconnect team reached out to students reminding them that online registration will be available through the holidays 24/7.



Veteran Affairs

Staff continue to meet with new veteran students to assist them in making a smooth transition into college. WCCCD offers numerous resources for veteran students.



Student Support Services

Staff met to discuss disability support services available to students for the Spring 2022 semester.

Student Success!

Phi Theta Kappa member and TRiO student Tonesia Nesbitt recently published an article in the November/December issue of the medical journal *Home Healthcare Now*.



The Voice of Faculty Excellence

As the Vice Chancellor of the Division of Educational Affairs and my enduring commitment to the faculty and their learning environments, it is my pleasure to present to you “The Voice of Faculty Excellence.” ~ Dr. David Beaumont



Jamie Strassner

Professor Jamie Strassner is now teaching the same classes that he once took as a student in the Emergency Medical Technology Program at Wayne County Community College District (WCCCD). He shares, “...the mentorship from the instructors was instrumental in my career achievements. I am motivated by the student’s willingness to learn and to potentially act as a mentor, being able to share perspective during my career in public service.” He hopes to pass that mentorship along to current and future students to leave a positive mark.

Professor Strassner has been primarily teaching EMT program courses at WCCCD since January 2009 and currently works as a Deputy Fire Chief in the Public Safety sector. Sharing more background on the industry and why he enjoys teaching, “Public service jobs are in high demand with plenty of positions and few workers to replace depleted agencies. I enjoy teaching course curriculum and instructing technique of practical skills. It is gratifying to measure and observe a student overcome a challenging skill or understand complex physiology concept.”

He earned his Associate’s of Applied Science from WCCCD and a Bachelor’s of Applied Science from Sienna Heights University. Outside of the classroom, he enjoys time with his family, especially spending time at their vacation lake home. He also plays guitar and works on various household projects.



Division of Educational Affairs

Chancellor's Annual Innovation Cycle

The results are in!



The Chancellor's Annual Innovation Cycle has received scores from our panel of judges on what proposals they recommend for funding. While it was a lengthy process, the proposals recommended incorporated the Chancellor's annual priorities.

The Innovation Committee will be working with faculty to help cultivate their projects and move them forward. We want to thank all of our participants for their wonderful presentations and being a part of the Chancellor's Annual Innovation Cycle.



Desiree Meyers
"DNA Barcoding of
Local Species"



**2nd Place
Corine Mann**
"Life Merge: Integrating
Community Health and
Work with Everyday
Tools for Better
Health Outcomes"



**3rd Place
Henry John
Dryovage**
"WCCCD Educational
Metaverse"



**4th Place
Verna Brown**
"Step-up Success"

If you are interested in viewing the Innovation Cycle Shark Tank, a link will be provided in the Teaching and Learning Blackboard shell in the coming week. To access the Teaching and Learning Blackboard shell please go into the Blackboard link on our website and click Teaching and Learning Center (TLC123) under course options.



Division of Educational Affairs



Learning Resource Center/ Commons Virtual Library

Oneka Samet, Ed.D. met with Learning Resource Center staff at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus to discuss a library project collecting database usage statistics. Reviewing this data will help provide tools for assessment, goal setting, and accountability.



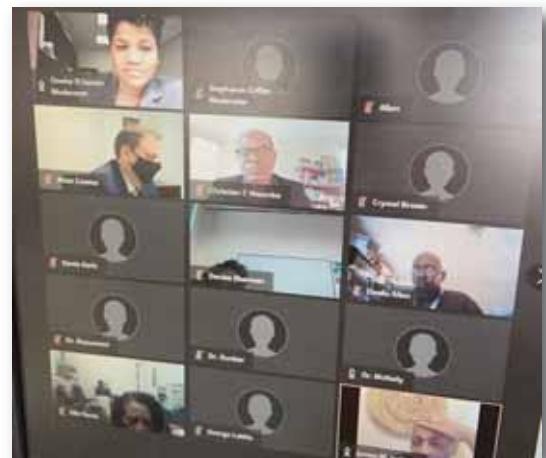
Teaching and Learning Center

The Educational Affairs team met with Ella Davis, Ph.D. regarding her Chancellor's Annual Innovation Cycle to discuss a possible research project through the Teaching Learning Center. The project will center around teaching modalities and their impact on student learning outcomes.



Faculty Observations

The Educational Affairs Team is in the last week of processing faculty observations for the Fall 2021 semester. These observations provide important feedback on how we can improve and support faculty as they work to help students succeed.



Curriculum Committee

The Curriculum Committee met to discuss items including Project Management course updates, a new Computer Numerical Control certificate, and Surgical Technology: Central Service Technician program updates.

DIVERSITY & INCLUSION

Intercultural Conversations

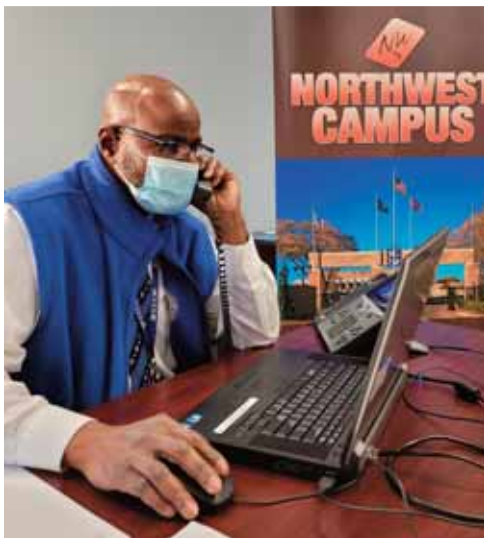
At this week's virtual Intercultural Conversations, Yvette McElroy Anderson, Ed.D. gave a presentation on the Tulsa massacre and riots in Greenwood, Oklahoma. Professor Bruce Ewen shared on the National Museum of the American Indian and the National American Veteran's Memorial. Attorney London Bell expounded on UN International Day to end violence against women.



New Day, New Way Initiative



The New Day, New Way Call Center continues to provide high quality customer service to our callers. As of week 73, the team has assisted more than 45,000 callers.



DR. RANDALL MILLER SHARES LEADERSHIP THOUGHTS WITH EXECUTIVE TEAM



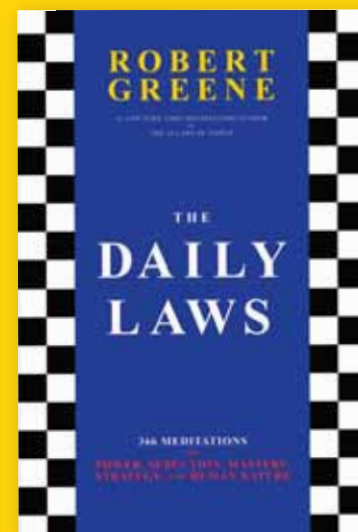
How to Inspire and Retrain Good People

Falling down never stopped children from developing. But getting yelled at, criticized, and put down can stop them for life,” notes Dr. Henry Cloud in *Integrity*. Children are often deeply influenced by the experiences of their youth, and their ability to grow and thrive does require some positive reinforcement.

We all require affirmation in our lives no matter our age or how many wonderful experiences we may have had. We need each other just to be part of our normal human interactions. That is one of the reasons our COVID-19 experience has been so challenging: we have had a reduced level of human interaction. We feed off of each other, and that interaction provides an important part of our personal growth.

The nature of our human interactions helps to shape our character development. People who have experienced a lot of negativity in their lives may tend to internalize that so that it becomes part of their character. Showing negativity towards others may harm their growth if they fear being attacked, and it is a sure way to stifle their desire to contribute. Life becomes a flat line for those who feel under attack.

We can all see how others react when we provide honest, legitimate praise and support. It feeds their desire to grow and improve, and it contributes to a more upbeat, positive character where people feel they are being listened to and are part of a common purpose. Providing that feedback and showing that you care about others goes a long way towards helping to inspire and retain good people on your team.



Book Recommendation

*The Daily Laws:
366 Meditations on Power,
Seduction, Mastery, Strategy,
and Human Nature*

by
Robert Greene



Student Success!

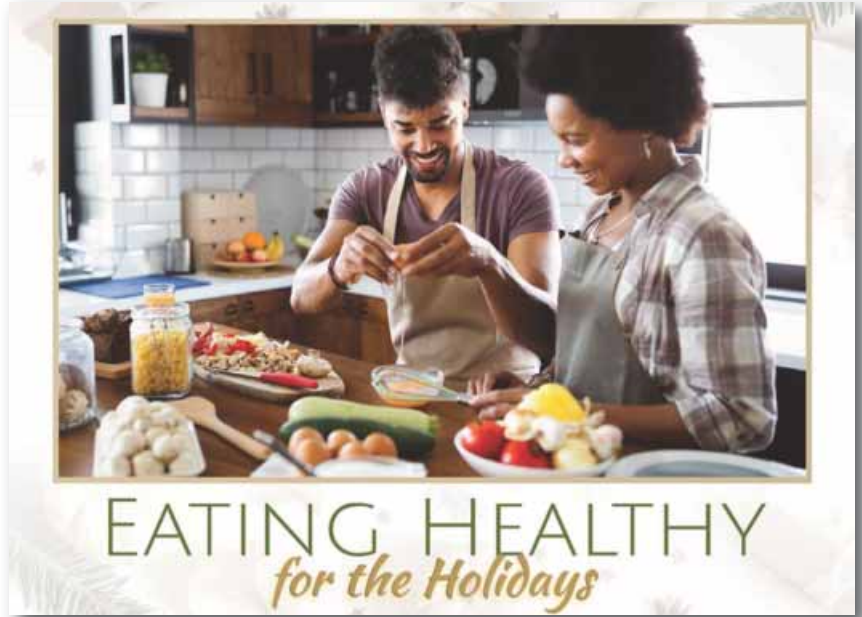




Continuing Education

Right in Time for the Holiday Season!

The School of Continuing Education presented the virtual “Eating Healthy for the Holidays” workshop. Participants were provided healthy alternatives and ideas on how to modify traditional favorites.



Continuing Education Program Enrollment

November 15-20, 2021

Curtis L. Ivery
Downtown Campus
TBD

Downriver Campus
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Eastern Campus
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Northwest Campus
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Ted Scott Campus
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Mary Ellen Stempfle
University Center
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Legislative Corner

Yvette McElroy Anderson, Ed.D.
Government Relations

News from the Michigan Community College Association

House of Representatives Pass the Build Back Better Act

On Friday, November 19, 2021, the House of Representatives passed HR 5376, the Build Back Better Act. This is the reconciliation legislation that Democrats have been working on to advance President Biden’s Build Back Better Agenda.

Free or Low-Cost Childcare to 105,000 More Kids and Working Families

Governor Gretchen Whitmer announced that 105,000 more children and their families are now eligible for free or low cost childcare. Families are eligible if they have a qualifying need (like working or going to school), make less than 185% of the federal poverty level (\$49,000 for a family of 4), and have a child under age 12.

House Education and Labor Committee Holds Hearing on Implementation of Covid-19 Education Funds

On Wednesday November 17, 2021, two House Education and Labor subcommittees - Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education Subcommittee; and Higher Education and Workforce Investment Subcommittee – held a joint subcommittee hearing entitled Examining the Implementation of COVID-19 Education Funds.

House Hearing on Community College BSN Authority

MCCA staff have learned that the Chair of the House Education Committee, Rep. Pamela Hornberger, would like to schedule a hearing on House Bills 5556 and 5557, the community college Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) legislation. The hearing will take place on Tuesday, November 30, 2021 at 9:00 a.m., in room 521 of the House Office Building.



District Police Authority

Emergency Phone Stations

Emergency phone stations were recently installed inside the Curtis L. Ivery Health and Wellness Education Center.



Expansion Meeting

The District Police Authority and Information Technology met with the CCTV team to plan the Curtis L. Ivery Central Educational Complex expansion.



David Butty wrote an article about living through the pandemic that was published in the Michigan Chronicle. Below is an excerpt, but the full article is in the November 10-16, 2021 edition.

“We all lived through a difficult time during the pandemic. Yes, the years of 2020-2021 have been hard on everyone. As for me, each day I lived in fear- a fear that a relative, a friend and or a colleague could fall victim to the COVID-19 virus.”

Downriver Campus



Taylor High School Financial Aid Workshop

Northwest Campus



Campus Staff Training

Eastern Campus

Art!

Instructor Francine Rouleau is teaching her class the fundamental techniques of drawing still life.

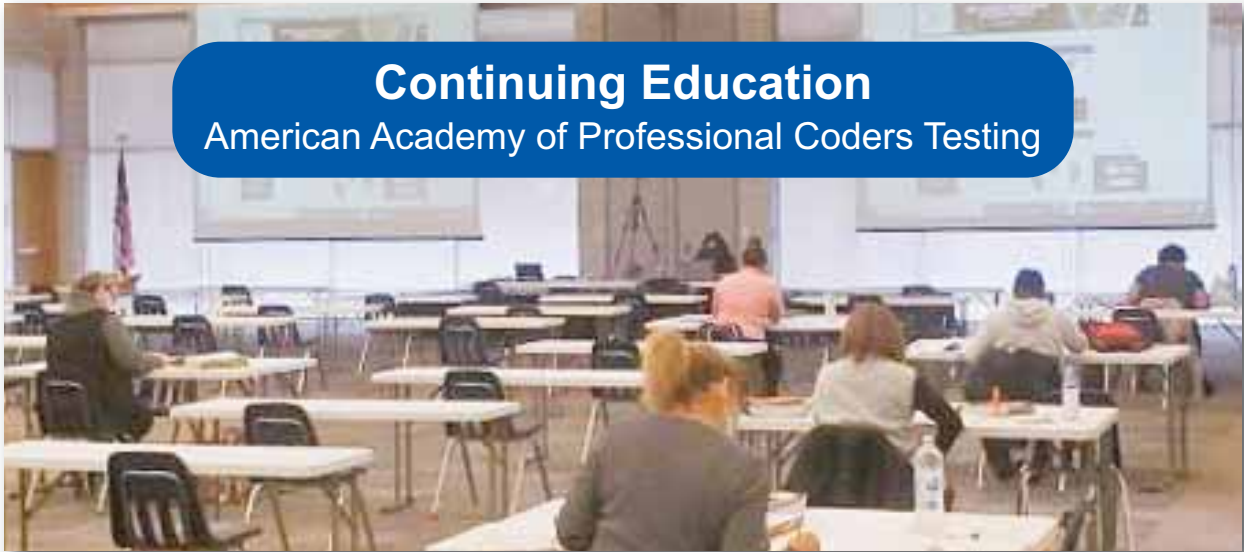


Welding!

Professor Larry Fuciarelli demonstrated the process of MIG and TIG welding to his class.



Ted Scott Campus



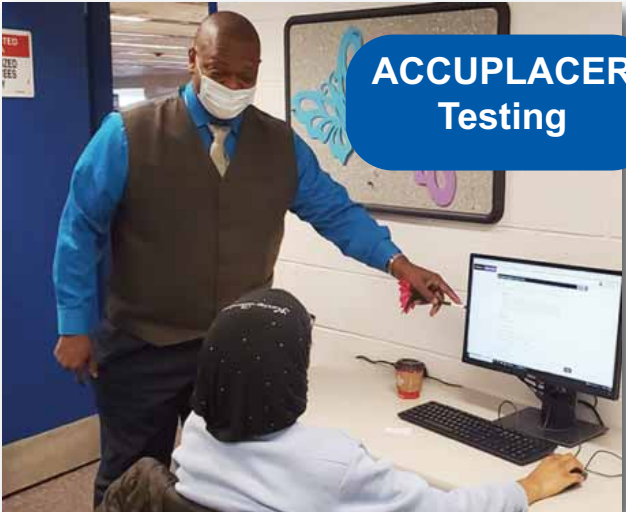
Continuing Education
American Academy of Professional Coders Testing



Continuing Education
Art Class



Practical Nursing Education Meeting



ACCUPLACER Testing



PTK Information Review

Chancellor's Weekend Memo



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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

