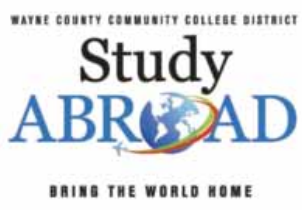


# Chancellor's Weekend Memo



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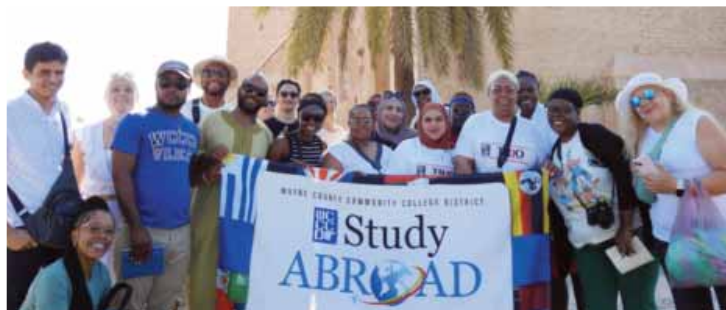
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## Welcome Back to our Students from their Educational Study Abroad Experience in Morocco!

Students who participated in the Summer Study Abroad to Morocco gained valuable educational experiences which included:

- Enhanced language proficiency in Arabic
- A deeper understanding of the country's rich cultural heritage
- Appreciation of Morocco's architectural styles, traditions and more!



# WCCCD's Study Abroad Students Return From Morocco!





# Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation

## Board of Director's Meeting

I participated in the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation's (SMART) Board of Directors Meeting. Some of the agenda items included the Chairman's Report, General Manager's Report, Updates on Hiring and Quarterly Ridership and the SMART Fiscal Year Program of Projects.



## Strengthening Community Partnerships



## Meeting to Discuss Enhancing Campus Safety Initiatives District-Wide

## Chancellor's Executive Leadership Team Meeting



Our Executive Leadership Team met to discuss:

- Leadership and Campus Alignment
- Budget Development
- Staffing
- Customer Service Initiatives
- Facilities Management
- Enrollment Management
- Continuing Education Programming
- Workforce Development Initiatives
- Website Redesign
- And More



## Website Redesign Project Updates

The Website Redesign Taskforce has been collaborating with the Divisions of Educational Affairs and Student Services to refine student-centered content. The taskforce has identified key areas for enhancement and crucial updates to improve the online experience for our students.

The taskforce has also been working with our partner, Stamats, to conduct thorough site reviews to ensure optimal site structure and navigation, all while prioritizing ADA compliance and boosting our search engine optimization.

# Program Highlight

## Practical Nursing Education



### WCCCD's Practical Nursing Students Achieve 100% NCLEX Pass Rate!

Congratulations to Sheila Douglas Collins, Dean of Nursing, Dr. Abby Freeman, District Provost of Health Sciences, and the Ted Scott Campus Practical Nursing Team for their efforts in our students achieving a 100% pass rate on the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX).

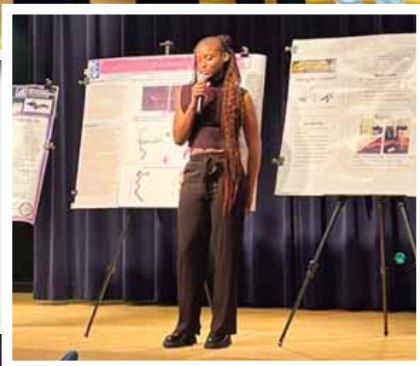


# Division of Student Services



## Michigan College and University Partnership (MiCUP)

MiCUP interns returned from Michigan Technological University after an educational seven-week paid internship. Students presented their science research projects and shared insights from their experiences.



# Division of Student Services



Staff presented information about the TRiO Program at the Dental Assisting Fall orientation.



## Fall 2024 Semester Preparation Meeting

## Phi Theta Kappa

This month's chapter and general meetings of the Phi Theta Kappa Alpha Upsilon Zeta Chapter were held to discuss activities for the Fall 2024 semester.



## Student Success Center

The data to the left illustrates the types of student inquiries addressed by the Division of Student Services this week.



# Division of Educational Affairs

## D3 Credit Mobility Coalition

The Educational Affairs team met with members of the D3 Credit Mobility Coalition to unearth strategies for credit mobility related to credit transfer and credit for prior learning. The team shared the District's lens on strategies the region could possibly pursue to strengthen credit mobility for the benefit of both students and institutions.



## Career Programs



Staff participated in a webinar hosted by Carole Franklin, Director of Standards Development at A3 Robotics, and Maren Roush, A3 Standards Manager, who shared key updates on robot safety standards and technical reports. The information collected will be utilized to enhance advanced manufacturing clusters at WCCCD, ensuring alignment with industry-supported outcomes and standards.

## Future Thinking

Representatives from the Division of Educational Affairs also participated in the webinar, *Higher Education's Future: Four Scenarios for the Next Decade and the Role Data Will Play*. Key issues such as demographic shifts, pandemic impacts, and mental health challenges were discussed.





# Division of Educational Affairs

## Learning Resource Center



Staff from the Division of Educational Affairs met with campus staff to discuss LRC needs for the 2024-25 academic year.

## Did you know?

LRC Updates



### Faculty can request:

- Virtual Office Hours (Blackboard Ultra - By request)
- Classroom Orientations and Information Literacy Instruction
- Academic Workshops - How to Write an A+ Paper; Citing Sources
- Embedded Virtual Classroom Reference Interactions (via Blackboard Course Shell)

Please email us at [lrhelp@wccd.edu](mailto:lrhelp@wccd.edu) with requests.



## Instructor Spotlight

### Providing a Decade of Inspiring Guitar Instruction

Ron English is one of our remarkable guitar instructors in the School of Continuing Education. For more than 10 years, he has taught an array of guitar classes for students of all ages at WCCCD, which have included beginners guitar, intermediate guitar, advanced guitar and jazz history.



### Division of Administration and Finance

Members of the Division of Administration and Finance and the Bursar's Office met with the Division of Student Services to discuss enhancing internal processes and controls related to invoicing for the Fall 2024 semester.



# ***DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE***

## ***OFFICE OF FACILITIES PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT***

Deputy Chancellor/CFO Kim DiCaro continues to work with the Facilities Management Team to enhance the delivery of our services across the District. The Office of Facilities Planning and Management serves the District by developing and maintaining clean, safe, functional, and attractive campuses. This office has a diverse range of functions. Some of these include:



PLANNING AND  
CONSTRUCTION/  
PROPERTY  
MANAGEMENT



MECHANICAL  
SYSTEMS  
MAINTENANCE



MANAGEMENT OF  
EXTERIOR AND  
INTERIOR ASSETS



STUDENT  
APPRENTICESHIP/  
INTERNSHIP PROGRAM



### **MANAGEMENT OF EXTERIOR AND INTERIOR ASSETS**

The District remains committed to a comprehensive range of facilities upgrades, extending beyond the interiors of our campus buildings. Our Pavement Maintenance Program ensures the continuous enhancement of the safety, appearance, and attractiveness of our entrances, parking lots, and sidewalks.

# DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

## OFFICE OF FACILITIES PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT



### DEPARTMENTS INCLUDE:

#### **BUILDING MAINTENANCE**

- BUILDING SERVICES
- CAMPUS SERVICES
- DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION
- ELECTRICAL SERVICES
- ENERGY SERVICES

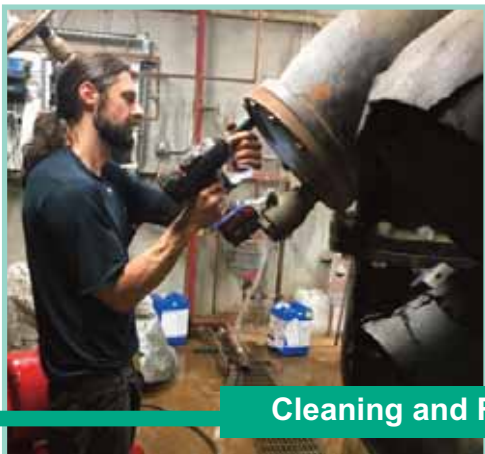
#### **GROUNDS MAINTENANCE**

- HVAC MANAGEMENT
- LIGHTING AND SAFETY MAINTENANCE

#### **MECHANICAL SYSTEMS**

#### **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT**

- RECYCLING OPERATIONS



Cleaning and Replacing Chiller Pump Strainers



Installation of New Plug in Lower Courtyard Pond

Painting of Parking Lot Poles



Sprinkler System Water Line Replacement

# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

## Leadership Development



### Olivet University

Dr. CharMaine Hines participated in a professional development retreat held at Olivet University, as part of the MI-ACE Women's Network.

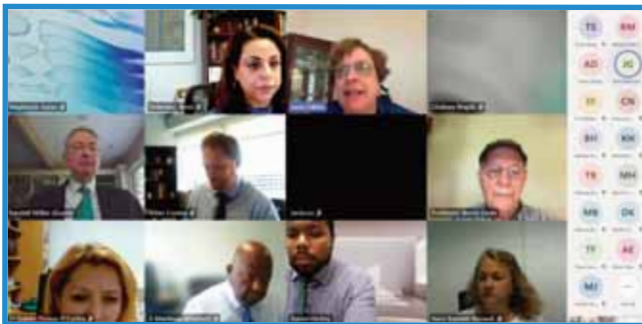


## Cultural Development



Students learned about cooking foods from different cultures in a culinary class with Chef Lorenzo Spratling at the Northwest Campus.

## Social Enrichment Series



Dr. Randall Miller moderated a presentation on "The Aftermath of World War II: What we can Learn from the Germans" taught by Dr. Janis Gibbs, a professor of history at Hope College. Dr. Gibbs drew parallels with how Germans have embraced rather than avoided their history to emerge healthier and stronger following World War II, and she raised questions about how the United States can learn from their experiences.

# DIVERSITY EQUITY & INCLUSION

## International Tastefest Provides Education About World Cultures

The 15th Annual Tastefest, presented by the School of Continuing Education and International Education Council, provided participants the opportunity to learn about world cultures. The program, held at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus featured various educational activities, sampling international cuisines, tips on eating and cooking healthy, arts and crafts, a fashion show and more.



# International Tastefest





Staff attended the Michigan Transfer Expansion Retreat 2.0 held at University of Detroit Mercy. This statewide convening of community colleges and independent institutions focused on improving access and completion of bachelor's degrees for transfer students from community colleges.

Trustee Sharon P. Scott and Matt Green attended the ribbon cutting of the new Westland office of the Livonia/Westland Chamber of Commerce.



Dr. Yvette Anderson met with staff from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services to discuss expansion of the Neighborhood Wellness Center Program.



Staff represented the District at the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber Legislative Forum with Congressman Shri Thanedar. Discussion focused on business legislation and policy affecting the Downriver community employers and workforce.



Trustee Scott and Mr. Green also met with Beth Welkenbach, Director of Senior Resources at the Westland Friendship Center, to discuss partnership opportunities.



## Division of Information Technology

### Connecting Minority Communities (CMC) Grant Project Update



The Division of Information Technology and Workforce Development teams met with the senior executive team to debrief on grant progress, milestones, and achievements. The discussion included reports and planning for additional offerings of online and in-person training and workshops.

The support of the CMC pilot program underscores WCCCD's commitment to continuous improvement, enhancing our IT career readiness, accessibility, and education program offerings to equip students with the skills needed for success in a highly technical and competitive labor market.

## Cybersecurity Infrastructure Upgrade



Staff met to discuss an infrastructure upgrade aimed at incorporating hybrid and cloud-hosted solutions to support the cybersecurity courses offered. This upgrade plan includes the integration of both simulated and hands-on labs, providing a comprehensive and practical learning environment for students. We are currently in the planning stage, focusing on setting technology standards based on best practices and selecting current and scalable technologies. The goal is to create a robust and flexible infrastructure that can adapt to future needs and continue to provide high-quality educational resources for our cybersecurity programs.

### Summer Intern Training

Staff met with the summer interns to discuss IT training.

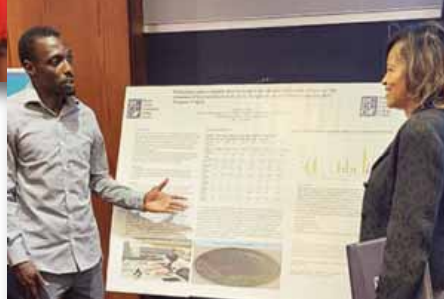


# Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus

## 2024 Summer Water Research Student Symposium

Students participating in the District's 2024 summer water research internship presented their original poster presentations during the student symposium. The summer water research internship supports the District's 2022-26 strategic goals and objectives including:

- Expansion of Student Success Initiatives and Opportunities
- Rapid Integration of Innovative Learning, Teaching, and Technological Strategies



# CURTIS L. IVERY HWECC

Health & Wellness  
Education Center



## Great Lakes Water Authority

The HWECC partnered with the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) to host a Women's Health Initiative workshop.



## Member Spotlight

India Shepard is a very consistent participant who takes multiple classes a week. She brings amazing energy to the gym. From doing challenges, working out with others, and accomplishing intense goals, India is an example of what hard work and commitment can bring.



## Kickboxing and Circuit Training

Members put the new kickboxing equipment to the test in the Cardio Kickboxing and Circuit Training class.

# Downriver Campus



## *Student Success!*

The Downriver Campus offers a variety of services designed to support and empower WCCCD students in reaching their personal, professional, and academic aspirations. From recent high school graduates to senior citizens, our campus provides a welcoming environment aimed at providing students through the pursuit of an associate's degree, a career-focused certificate, GED, or enrichment courses.



MIPSE hosted the Detroit Police Special Response Team for training. The training consisted of a rapid entry course to practice room entry and tactics.



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EDUCATION



## Partnerships with the Detroit Police and Fire Departments



The Detroit Fire Department held a Driving Rodeo training with several Detroit Fire Department vehicles.

# Program Highlight

## Automotive Service Technology Program



### Automotive Service Technology Students Gain Hands-On Experience in Lab

Students in the Automotive Service Technology Program are gaining hands-on experience in a state-of-the-art lab at the Downriver Campus.



# Eastern Campus



## Cool Tech Kids Camp



This week, the Cool Tech Kids Camp kicked off at the Eastern Campus. The camp is designed to make technology enjoyable, engaging, and innovative. Participants will create videos for various social media platforms and develop their own brand, as well as participating in outdoor sports activities.



# Program Highlight

## Robotics

The Mechatronics Lab at the Eastern Campus is providing students with the latest in high-tech training related to mechanical systems, sensors, automated machinery and robotics technology.



## Robotics Summer Camp



Youth participated in the *Robotics 4 Youth* summer camp at the Ted Scott Campus. This camp develops kids curiosity and problem solving skills in the STEM fields.



# Northwest Campus



## Nursing Pathways **Great News!**

The District received an award letter from the State of Michigan Labor and Economic Opportunity Division regarding funds from the U.S. Department of the Treasury. The \$2 million award will be used to increase opportunities for ADN-holding nurses (RNs) in Michigan to succeed in BSN-granting programs and obtain a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing (BSN) by building four-year partnerships.



### Kresge Foundation Tours Health Science Center

Dr. Phyllis Meadows, Senior Fellow, and Dr. Jacquelynn Orr, Senior Program Officer of Health Programs from the Kresge Foundation, toured the Health Science Center. The Kresge Foundation works to expand equity and opportunity in cities across America through grant-making and social investing.



### Surgical Technology Program



Corewell Health Dearborn residents, circulating nurses, Surgical Technology and Surgical First Assistant faculty and students participated in a two-day seminar of activities and procedures that guide students to perform as a member of the surgical team.

### McKinney Foundation



Dr. Tiah McKinney, Co-Founder and Executive Director of the McKinney Foundation Inc., toured the Health Science Center to learn about the various program opportunities and state-of-the-art facility we provide to our students and community members.



# Ted Scott Campus



## All About the Arts

The *All About the Arts* series featured Power Play performing the “Greatest Hits of All-Time.” The *All about the Arts* Series is intended to expose different genres of music to all campuses. This cultural enrichment program is made to foster diversity and community spirit.



# Chancellor's Weekend Memo

## 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

