

## DISTRICT-WIDE CONFERENCE DAY 2024

### THRIVING TOGETHER: Promoting Mental Health and Well-Being



#### 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual District-Wide Conference Day Message to the WCCCD Family

*"District-Wide Conference Day is the one day each year when all the members of the WCCCD family come together to celebrate our shared mission, values, and goals. I value Conference Day because it is an opportunity for me to thank each of you for your support in making WCCCD one of the most outstanding community colleges in the nation. And yet, our work is not done by any means. It is time, for example, to refocus and evaluate our vision statement to meet the evolving needs of the college community. We will be inviting you and other stakeholders to give feedback to make sure our vision aligns with the future of higher education.*

*As you know, I have encouraged all WCCCD faculty and staff to become future thinkers and speed up the pace of innovation and entrepreneurship at all levels of the college. We must actively consider the impact of future-shaping trends and forces in our environment as decisions are made and actions are taken. The future of WCCCD is happening right now in the face of rapid societal change such as the growing impact of artificial intelligence. These trends and forces will have an impact on all aspects of our work at WCCCD.*

*I thank you for the privilege of serving as your Chancellor and I look forward to our continued work together."*

Dr. Curtis L. Ivery

To read the full message, [click here](#).







One Vision, One District, One College



# DIVERSITY EQUITY & INCLUSION



## United Nations International Day of the Girl Child Downriver Campus

The United Nations International Day of the Girl Child is celebrated to recognize girls' rights and the challenges they face. The day aims to:

- \* Promote girls' empowerment and education
- \* Address gender inequalities, discrimination, and violence against girls
- \* Showcase a world where girls influence government policies, business practices, and research priorities



# CURTIS L. IVERY HWEC

Health & Wellness  
Education Center



## Senior Strength Training

Senior strength training is the perfect opportunity for members to stretch and tone while building muscle.



## Vibrant Health Workshop Series

The HWEC hosted Vibrant Health, a healthy living workshop. "The Benefits of Sauna Detox" led by Mozell P. Scovil, NS Science Educator, CEO Healthyself, Inc. focused on detoxing to naturally eliminate toxins from the body as well as the benefits of a plant-based lifestyle.

## CPR/AED Training

HWEC personal trainers, fitness instructors, and staff participated in an a CPR/AED workshop presented by MIPSE instructor Jeffrey Moore.





# Northwest Campus

## THE VIEW

This week, the View hosted community members from across Wayne County. Every Wednesday, community members can enjoy an executive dining experience with meals prepared by Chef Lorenzo and students in the Culinary Arts and Hospitality Program in the Denise Wellons-Glover at the Northwest Campus.





# Division of Student Services



## Detroit Public Schools Community District Administrators

WCCCD's Department of Outreach and Recruitment met with Detroit Public Schools Community District administrators. This planning and strategy meeting was designed to improve logistics integration between both institutions to improve dual enrollment student outcomes.

## Phi Theta Kappa Alpha Upsilon Zeta Chapter Community Services

Leanne Hunn, President of the Phi Theta Kappa Alpha Upsilon Zeta Chapter, filled comfort bags for the Susie Q's Kids Foundation. Susie Q's Kids addresses children's mental health and well-being in the community.



## Frontier International Academy College Fair

## TRIO Student Highlight



Meet TRIO Student Venise Gonzales. Ms. Gonzales joined the TRIO Program in the Spring 2024 semester. As you may guess from her photo, she is majoring in American Sign Language here at WCCCD. Upon graduation, she plans to transfer to a four-year college or university and pursue a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology. She aspires to become a psychiatrist, specializing in working with deaf clients, where she can utilize her sign language skills.





## Division of Educational Affairs



### **Detroit Drives Degrees Community College Collaborative Fall Convening**

Members of the District participated in clusters related to Mobility, Student Success and K-12 strategies.



### **Faculty Observations**

The Department of Instruction at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus has initiated the faculty observation process to ensure academic quality in teaching and learning.



### **Learning Resource Center**

The Learning Resource Center at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus held an orientation for Hamtramck High School dual enrollment students on available services and resources.



# *Faculty Spotlight*

By Dr. CharMaine Hines



**Bill Sanders**  
(Digital Photography)

An accomplished and nationally renowned photographer and visual artist, Professor William Sanders has been a valued WCCCD faculty member for more than 17 years. A passionate supporter of students, Professor Sanders showcases our student works in the Arts Expo, featuring the work of fine, performing, visual artists and musical performances. He informs his students, "There are over 30 career pathways for digital photography including underwater photography, medical, public relations, product commercialization, industry and criminal justice forensics, to name a few."

He is the recipient of many local and national awards including the WSU Betty Jacob Grant, Michigan Foundation for the Arts Award and the Delta Sigma Theta Arts and Letters Award. Mr. Sanders earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts, Master of Arts and Master of Fine Arts from Wayne State University. He is a commercial and fine arts photographer. Of his many featured works, "The Art of Photography," an exhibit centered on a collection of images he took of Detroit's famous Belle Isle. Mr. Sanders captured its elegance and beauty in ways that speak to its history and the setting as a distinctly American landscape paying homage to urban life and history in America.

His art is in the permanent collections of prestigious venues including The Detroit Institute of Arts, Los Angeles African American Museum of Art, and Huntington Convention Center. Exhibits featured at the DIA Foundation in New York, The University of Kentucky and the National Conference of Artists and venues in the United States, Canada, and Germany. When asked about his passion he states, "Students are at the center. The knowledge I've acquired as well as a successful career as a photographer is worthy of passing along and teaching is the best way to achieve that goal in partnership with education and WCCCD."



# Division of Educational Affairs

## Spring 2025 Faculty Selection





# Institutional Effectiveness

## External Compliance Reporting

The Division of Institutional Effectiveness and the Division of Information Technology collaborated with multiple divisions to meet external compliance reporting obligations with state and federal agencies. The Division of Student Services is critical to the reporting process to ensure accurate student records and transcript audits are completed to promote quality data and alignment with statewide systems. External compliance reporting is the District’s data footprint in demonstrating use of data, analytical reports and benchmarking to demonstrate student success. Key areas addressed this week and longitudinal analysis include:

### 12-month Enrollment Activity



- Determine First-Time in Any College Students
- Determine Student Types (Transfer, new, returning, dual enrollment)
- Credit momentum towards first year attendance

### Awards Completed



- Time to Completion
- Popular Completion Majors

### Course Enrollment Activity



- Credit Momentum in First Term and First Year
- Gateway Course Completion Success Rates
- Enrollment Cadence and Persistence

## External Reporting Process







# Division of Human Resources

## Benefits Open Enrollment

- Add or Drop Dependents.
- Choose to Participate in Healthy Futures, Take your Health Assessment and Record your Healthy Activities.
- Opt Out of Insurance. Must Have Other Group Medical Coverage to Opt Out.
- Enroll or Change Flexible Spending Savings Account (FSA).
- Enroll or Change Optional Life Insurance or Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D).
- Update Personal Information

The Division of Human Resources is preparing for the Benefit Open Enrollment next month. During this time, employees will have the opportunity to enroll in medical, vision and dental plans.



### The Human Resources Team to Visit all Six Locations!

#### **CURTIS L. IVERY DOWNTOWN CAMPUS**

1001 West Fort St.  
Detroit, MI 48226

November 4, 2024  
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

#### **CURTIS L. IVERY DISTRICT OFFICE LOBBY**

801 West Fort St.  
Detroit, MI 48226

November 5, 2024  
9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

#### **TED SCOTT CAMPUS**

9555 Haggerty Road  
Belleville, MI 48111

November 6, 2024  
9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

#### **DOWNRIVER CAMPUS**

21000 Northline Road  
Taylor, MI 48180

November 6, 2024  
1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

#### **NORTHWEST CAMPUS**

8200 W. Outer Drive  
Detroit, MI 48219

November 7, 2024  
11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

#### **EASTERN CAMPUS**

5901 Conner St.  
Detroit, MI 48213

November 8, 2024  
9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

#### **MARY ELLEN STEMPFLE UNIVERSITY CENTER**

19305 Vernier Rd.  
Harper Woods, MI 48225

November 8, 2024  
2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

# Brown and Juanita C. Ford Art Gallery

Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus

The School of Continuing Education presented the opening reception of “Making History: Painting and Collages”, featuring the artwork of Taylor Childs.



## Silver Circle Program

Silver Circle students engage in the class “Getting Started with Computer.” The course is designed to introduce participants to the computer and also includes keyboard functions and the Internet.

## Get The Lead Out

This week, the School of Continuing Education partnered with Detroit Get the Lead Out Coalition to provide a webinar to educate the community on the dangers of lead exposure and how to identify lead in their homes.

**GET THE LEAD OUT**  
 DETROIT COALITION

**LEAD POISONING IS 100% PREVENTABLE!**

**GET THE FACTS    GET YOUR HOME TESTED    GET YOUR CHILD TESTED**

**STEP THREE: Wipe & Wipe**  
 Always spray windowsills with soap and water and wet-wax floors. Do not use a broom to sweep lead dust. Throw away rags after cleaning each area.

**STEP FOUR: Mop**  
 Mop with a disposable mop head or paper towel to wipe away lead.





The **Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center** hosted the Detroit Renaissance Pearls, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority (AKA) informational program.

The **Ted Scott Campus** hosted Public Service Credit Unions All Staff Training Day Workshop.



The **Eastern Campus** hosted the Console Gaming Society. Participants were able to plan, strategize and develop their critical thinking skills, as well as network.

The **Northwest Campus** continues to provide an engaging environment for Mary Mahoney Professional Nurses.



The **Downriver Campus** hosted Wayne Metro CAA Quarterly Leadership Meeting.



The **Downriver Campus** hosted Boy Scouts of America Great Lakes Council Mahican District Round Table Monthly Meeting and Workshop.





# Division of Administration and Finance

## Student Financial Services Meeting



### DR. RANDALL MILLER SHARES LEADERSHIP THOUGHTS WITH THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

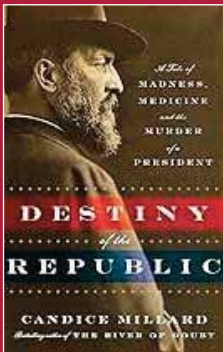


#### The Importance of Relationships

Alexander Graham Bell arrived at the U.S. Centennial Exhibit of 1876 following a series of mishaps that caused him to miss the deadline for registering. Consequently, his exhibit for the new invention of the telephone was in a location nearly impossible to find, and it would not even be listed in the fair's program.

Fearing he would be forgotten altogether, he went to where the judges were gathered following their evaluations. They were about to leave when Brazilian Emperor Dom Pedro, who was the darling of the fair, recognized Bell from his work with the deaf and learned of his dilemma. Dom Pedro insisted that the judges view a successful demonstration of Bell's telephone, and the rest is history.

One of the most significant inventions of humankind was validated and applauded because of a personal relationship that resulted in a showcase of science that dramatically changed how we communicate.



#### Book Recommendation

Destiny of the Republic, A Tale of Madness, Medicine, and the Murder of a President

Written by Candice Millard





# Division of Workforce and Economic Development

## The Southeast Michigan Community Alliance (SEMCA)

SEMCA provides administrative services to the Workforce Intelligence Network (WIN).



## Connecting Minority Communities (CMC) Pilot Program

The CMC Pilot Program consists of three core program components that includes broadband capacity building, access to broadband, digital inclusion, and building digital skills.

## Helping Students Embrace Technology



## Department of Labor-Industry Infinity (SEMCA/WIN)

The grant supports curriculum development for Advanced Manufacturing, Transportation, and Cyber-Security Short-Term Certification programs.

## College Success Grant

The Division of Student Services and the Grants Office submits the state-wide College Success Grant application. The strategy is to integrate Guided Pathways into the existing Career Education Programs to improve access, student success, retention, and completion rates in Career Education (CE) at WCCCD.





## Division of Information Technology

### HAPPENING NOW! Connecting Minority Communities (CMC) Grant Update

WCCCD is committed to fostering a technologically inclusive environment that empowers students to succeed in today's digital world. Through the Connecting Minority Communities grant, the District is actively addressing the digital divide by implementing strategic initiatives to enhance student technological experiences.



#### Key project components include:

- **Free IT Certifications:** WCCCD is providing students with the opportunity to earn industry-recognized IT certifications at no cost, equipping them with the in-demand skills needed for successful careers.
- **Digital Literacy Workshops:** Weekly workshops offer valuable insights and practical skills to help students navigate the digital landscape effectively, boosting their confidence and competence.
- **Expansion/Upgrade of Computer Labs:** The establishment of new Student Success Centers provides students with modern, well-equipped computer labs, ensuring equitable access to technology. The enhancement of Mac labs caters to the specific needs of students pursuing design and creative fields, fostering innovation and skill development.
- **Infrastructure Upgrades:** Implementation of data center upgrades, including blade servers, software licensing, storage upgrades, and ISP bandwidth expansion.

### IT Technical Support District-wide







# Building Community Relationships



## Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber

Staff represented the District at the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber Women of Achievement awards program.



## Livonia-Westland Chamber of Commerce

Trustee Sharon P. Scott attended a coffee breakfast with the Livonia-Westland Chamber of Commerce at the 18th District Court. She is pictured with Judges Mark McConnell and Sandy Cicerilli.



## Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce and Grosse Pointe Foundation

Denis Karic represented the District at the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce and Grosse Pointe Foundation Board meetings.

## Bellville Area State of the Community Address

Members of the Ted Scott Campus attended the Bellville Area State of the Community Address.



## University of Michigan Detroit Center's 2024 Lupus Conference

Keith Binion presented at the University of Michigan Detroit Center's 2024 Lupus Conference.



## Right to Counsel Community Outreach Expo

Workforce staff attended the Right to Counsel Community Outreach Expo. The expo brought together a variety of essential services designed to support low-income renters, returning citizens, and individuals seeking training opportunities.

# Eastern Campus

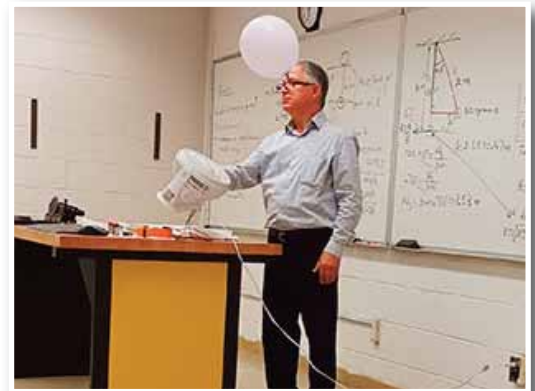
## Classroom Highlights



# Ted Scott Campus

## Physics

Professor George Lakkis demonstrates the Bernoulli principle which talks about how different speeds of air flow can hold a object in air.



*Students decorate  
the campuses for  
Halloween!*





# Program Highlight

## Product Development Prototyping Program

*Combines Innovation and Design*

Students in the Product Development Prototyping Program are learning key design concepts, testing analysis, and rapid prototyping using modern software, laser scanning, and industry-standard equipment. This program is ideal for those pursuing a career in product development, current professionals updating skills, or entrepreneurs developing new products.



# Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus

Community Partnerships



## Violence Prevention Seminar

Parent Real Talk held its second Annual Child to Parent Violence and Abuse seminar. Special guest panelists included Dana Nessel, Michigan Attorney General.



## Department of Elections

The City of Detroit Department of Elections held training sessions to prepare workers on the processes and procedures for working the polls.



## George W. Crockett Community Law School Seminar

George W. Crockett Community Law School continued its seminar series regarding basic knowledge and understanding of the legal system.

## Mental Health and Wellness Workshop

Park West Foundation held a workshop for youth in foster care and students in WCCCD's Smart Program. The workshop explored ways to equip youth with essential skills, inspire goal-setting, ignite ambition, and build resilience.

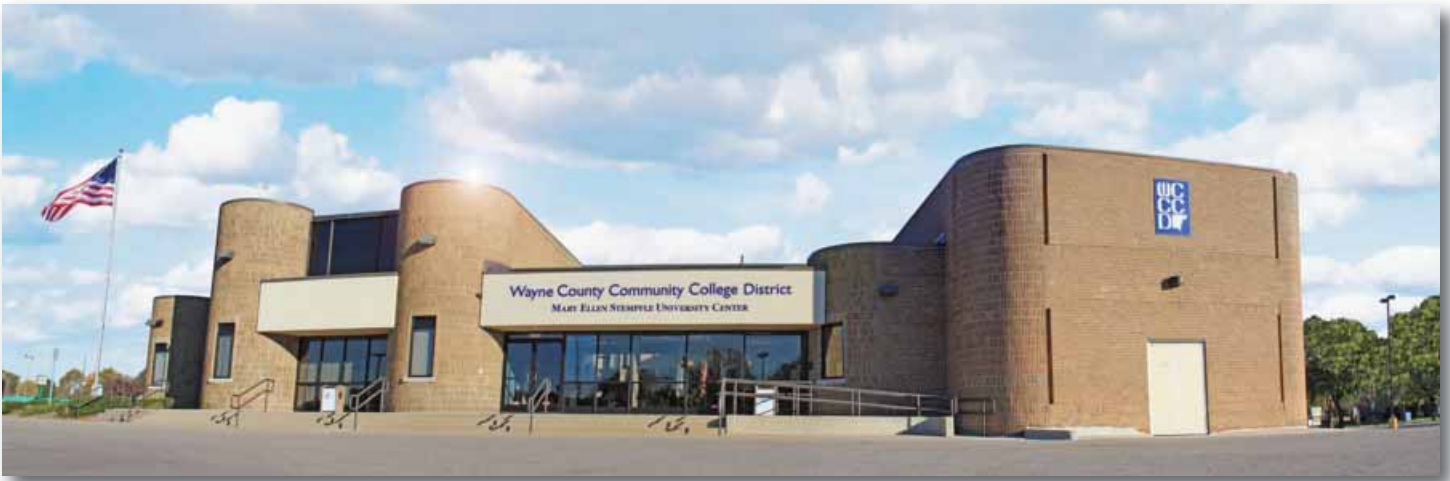


## Motor City Contractor Fund

The Motor City Contractor Fund held a networking program focusing on growing emerging contractor businesses within the city of Detroit.







# Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center

## Community Partnerships

Denis Karic and Kimett Hackworth met with community members to discuss the Spring 2025 semester course offerings for our Diverse Learners Program in partnership with Michael B's.



## Regional Campus Operations Discussion



WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



MICHIGAN INSTITUTE for  
**PUBLIC SAFETY**  
E D U C A T I O N



## Downriver Hazmat Team Training

The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE) hosted the Downriver Hazardous Material Response Team for their monthly proficiency training and material update.



# Dual Enrollment



Dual enrollment students from William D. Ford Career and Technical Center and the Downriver Career and Technical Consortium participated in fire practical classes.



# 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

