



Surgical Technology Students Receive Hands-On Training

Spring 2025 Semester learning is underway. Students in the Surgical Technology Program are gaining hands-on experience in the Health Science Center's state-of-the-art lab. This practical training is equipping them with the skills to work effectively as part of a surgical team in a professional setting.





Building Community Relationships



Trustee Sharon P. Scott and staff attended the Livonia Westland Chamber of Commerce Luncheon with keynote speaker Mayor Duggan.



Staff represented the District at the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber Legislative Forum. This featured Congresswoman Debbie Dingell's annual State of the District address to the Downriver community with an update on business legislation from the nation's capital.



Trustee Roy Edmonds and staff represented the District at the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce 2025 Annual Breakfast.



Staff attended the India Fest, India's Republic Day Celebration.



Denis Karic represented the District at the Regional Healthcare Talent Collaborative meeting.



Division of Student Services

Registration Celebration

The Division of Student Services warmly welcomes students preparing for the Spring 2025 semester. Staff offered personalized guidance, resources, and support to ensure students are fully prepared for the semester.



Martin Luther King High School students are filling out their Dual Enrollment applications for the Spring 2025 semester.



Members of the Dual Enrollment team met to discuss course offerings for the Spring 2025 semester.

Dual Enrollment Program

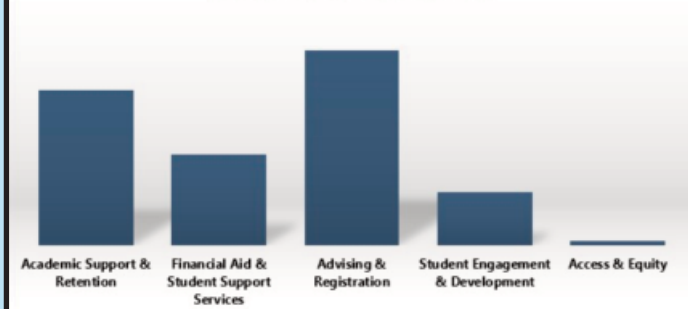
Division of Student Services

TRiO Program

We continue to assist TRiO students with graduation information and transfer opportunities once they graduate from WCCCD.



Student Success Center



Advising and Orientation

The District provides a range of academic support services, including tutoring and advising, to aid students in achieving academic success. We also implement initiatives like early alert systems, mentoring programs, and academic workshops to improve student retention.



Federal Work-Study Program

The Federal Work-Study Office (FWS) continues its recruiting efforts to encourage potential FWS students to join the program and earn while they learn.



Phi Theta Kappa (PTK)

The Phi Theta Kappa Alpha Upsilon Zeta chapter met to discuss their priorities for the upcoming calendar year, including plans for attending the upcoming PTK Catalyst Conference in April and community service activities. The conference helps students develop as scholars and future leaders.



Division of Educational Affairs



Learning Resource Center

Students continue to utilize computer resources to complete assignments at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus. Approximately 43% utilize the LRC for help with assignments and study.



Perkins Overview

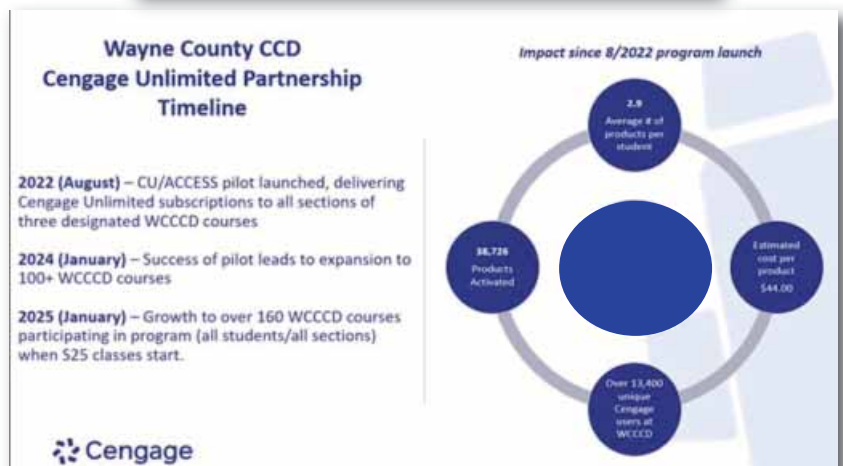
Dr. Allan Cosma attended the Perkins Overview session hosted by the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity. The session focused on compliance monitoring and reviews for the Perkins program. The Division of Educational Affairs collaborates with key divisions to discuss benchmarks and metrics for CTE programs.



Staff discuss dual enrollment initiatives.

Cengage Unlimited Program

Since the launch of the Cengage Unlimited (CU/ACCESS) Program at WCCCD in August 2022, the initiative has proven to be a resounding success, benefiting both students and the college. With more than 38,000 products activated, the partnership is making education more affordable for our students. The program now supports more than 160 courses, ensuring that students have access to essential learning materials across all sections. As a result, WCCCD has opened new pathways to support additional courses, continuing to prioritize student success while reducing costs.





Division of Workforce and Economic Development



Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) Career Fair



Staff represented the District at a Career Fair hosted by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT). Current Civil Tech Boot Camp participants also toured MDOT facilities. Several former WCCCD Civil Tech students attended the Career Fair to explore job opportunities.



Continuing Education Graduation Ceremony

We hosted a completion ceremony for students in the Basic Fundamentals of Sewing class at the Eastern Campus.



The Wellness Wednesday Program has become a very successful virtual series for the School of Continuing Education. Each presentation has been filled with methods for improving your health. This week, we held the Reflexology Workshop with presenter Veronica LaCasse, a WCCCD Faculty Member. She provided an insight of what reflexology is and how it can benefit numerous areas of the body. This workshop was informative and is another wonderful addition to the series.

Week 4:

HEART HEALTH: EATING FOR A HEALTHY HEART

2/12/25

Division of Administration and Finance

WCCCD 2025-2026 Budget Development Process

We are excited to launch the first phase of the 2025-26 Budget Development Process aligned to priority planning efforts District-wide. Development of action priorities based on strategic planning to identify budget requests is one of the most crucial and exhaustive steps in the process. The Executive Team’s involvement and contribution is a significant part for reviewing progress and opportunities to address the unique needs of students, faculty, staff, business partners, and community at large.

Currently, we are in the most critical stage to initiate exhaustive reviews and identification of potential resources specific to investment in vital infrastructure that impact technological, human, facilities, and professional development resources. Finance and Administration focuses on data-driven and inclusive discussions to determine the most prudent use of resources, especially during these challenging times specific to investment and expenditure categories listed below:

- Campus Facilities
- Equipment
- Instruction/Curriculum Delivery
- Campus Services (Enhancement and/or New)
- Technology
- Campus Safety
- New Programming and Accreditation



Kim DiCaro

Deputy Chancellor/CFO



Dr. Johnesa Hodge

Vice Chancellor, Institutional Effectiveness

The Division of Administration and Finance plays a collaborative role with the Office of Institutional Effectiveness in conducting environmental scans and data analysis that support District-wide planning initiatives. The Chancellor’s Institutional Action Priorities serve as the framework used by each campus and division to identify essential initiatives associated with potential budget requests.



Cybersuite Upgrade Project

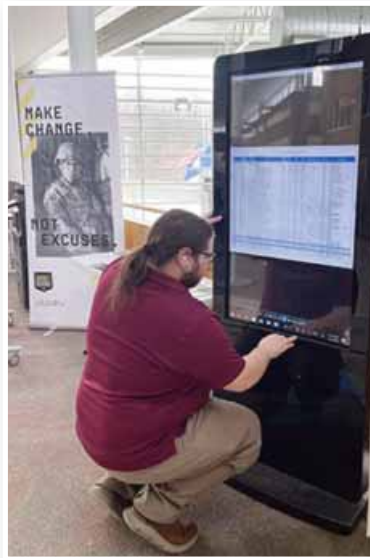
Representatives from the Divisions of Information Technology and Educational Affairs met to discuss the strategy for the cybersecurity platform and infrastructure upgrade. The Cybersuite upgrade solution will provide a hybrid model (physical and cloud-based). The Suite will provide cloud-ranged options for customizations, simulations, and hands-on lab tools, as well as advanced technology for students and faculty.

Connecting Minority Communities Grant

Digital Literacy Workshops

The CMC Grant team is thrilled to announce the 2025 installment of our highly successful Digital Literacy Workshop Series. Building on past successes, we're back with a series of weekly virtual workshops designed to empower students in today's digital world. A full schedule will be released next month – stay tuned!

**District-wide
Technical Support**



Program Highlight

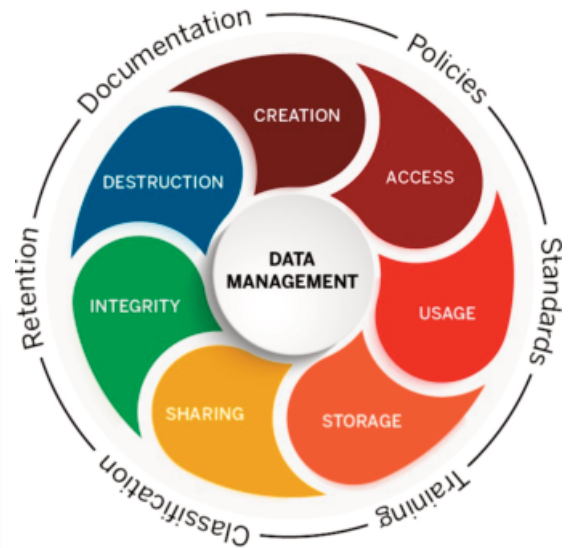
Computer Information Systems

Students in our Computer Information Systems (CIS) programs are gaining practical, hands-on experience with the critical skills needed for success in today's technology-driven job market. In addition to rigorous academic training, we provide tuition-free IT certification courses covering a wide range of tech industries, including Google, Microsoft, AWS, and CompTIA.



Division of Human Resources

Staff Data Security



The Division of Human Resources is constantly reviewing, reconciling, and auditing its processes, procedures, and protocols to assure State and Federal compliance. Under the employee benefits umbrella, which includes medical and retirement, HR is currently verifying that all documents are current, as well as auditing all eligible employees' insurance benefits. The employee benefits reconciliation addresses the following:

- Verification of Employment Status
- Verification of Dependent Status
- Beneficiary Verification
- Reconciliation of Employee Contribution
- Verification of State Guidelines
- Verification for Federal and Labor Regulations

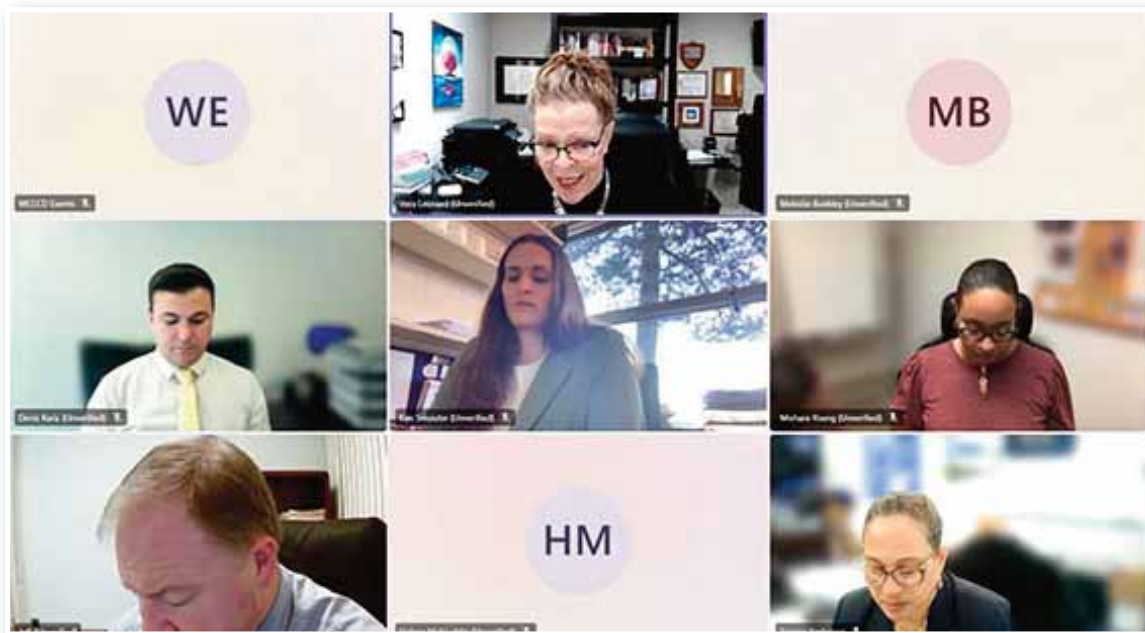
Strategic Staffing Alignment



Staff met to discuss strategic staffing alignment initiatives. These initiatives optimize efficiency, enhance employee engagement and foster an environment that is both inclusive and conducive to maintaining our strategic goals.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Strategic Branding in Higher Education



Objectives



- ✓ Understand the importance of Strategic Branding in higher education
- ✓ Identify the elements of a strong strategic higher education brand
- ✓ Recognize your role in supporting your organization's brand

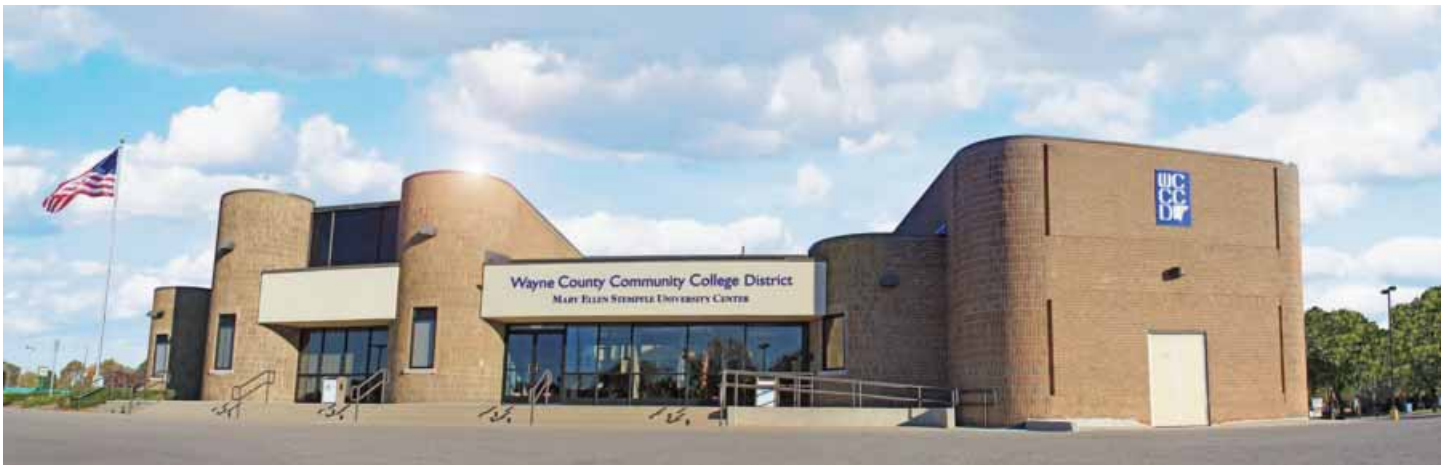
Vera Leonard, Leadership Consultant and Certified Executive Coach, facilitated a virtual session on “Strategic Branding in Higher Education.”

Virtual Intercultural Conversations

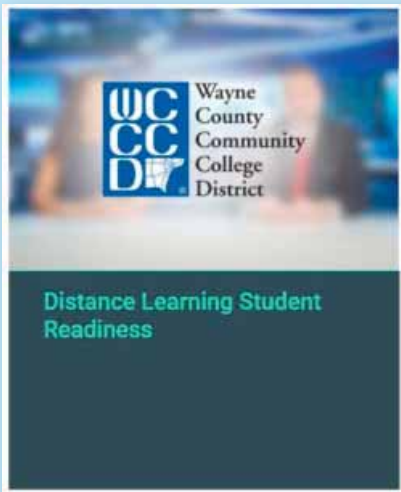


This week's Intercultural Conversations Series focused on a variety of topics including:

- American Muslims
- World Religions
- International Holocaust Remembrance Day

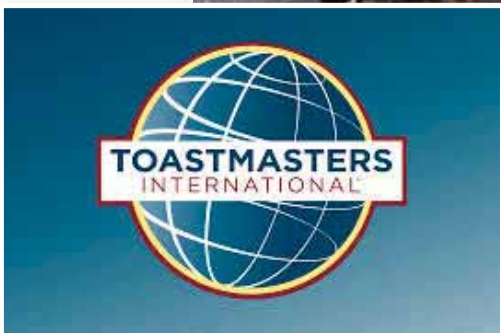


Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center



Center for Learning Technology New Distance Learning Student Readiness Course

We're excited to announce the launch of our new Distance Learning Student Readiness Course, now available to all online learners. Each year, more students pursue virtual learning. This course is designed to help students develop essential skills for academic success in an online environment. It covers critical topics such as time management, effective communication, self-motivation, and navigation of the Blackboard learning management system.

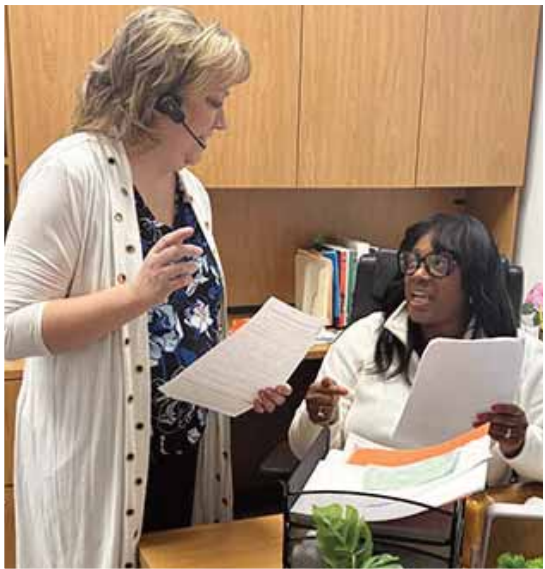
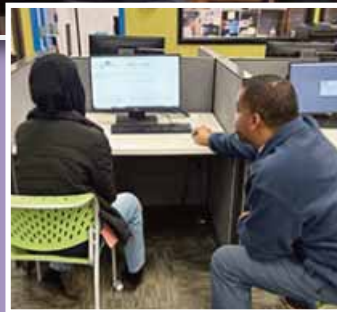


Toastmasters Professional Development Workshop

The Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center hosted the Toastmasters professional development workshop.

Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus

Campus Life



Strategic Planning Meeting

Members of the Campus Administrative Team came together to discuss the past semester objectives, and prepare strategies for the upcoming semester priorities. These priorities are aligned with strategic initiatives and budget requests.



American GI Forum

The Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus hosted the American GI Forum Detroit Chapter for their monthly meeting.



Jack and Jill

The Detroit Chapter of Jack and Jill hosted their monthly meeting. Participants discussed community involvement, youth educational programming, and cultural activities.

CURTIS L. IVERY HWECC

Health & Wellness
Education Center



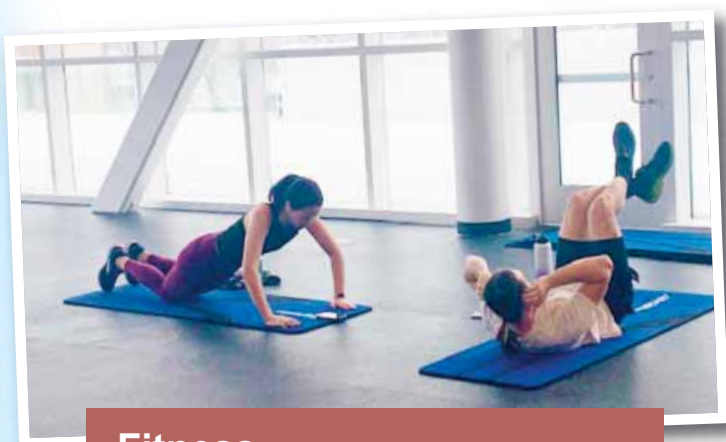
New Semester Opportunities

Staff from the HWECC were on campus during the first week of classes to make sure students are aware of the membership options available.



Wildcats Basketball

The HWECC hosted games between the WCCCD Wildcats and the Men's and Women's Basketball teams from Mott Community College.



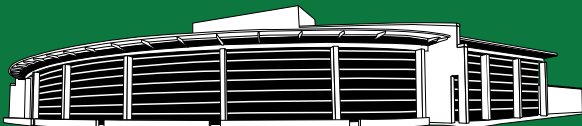
Fitness

Members enjoy the warm and comfortable fitness floor to do some stretching and strength training.



Membership

Staff provided faculty members information about the many resources available at the HWECC.



WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
HEINZ C. PRECHTER
 EDUCATIONAL AND *Performing Arts Center*



The Downriver Campus hosted a Sing Along presented by the Canadian Arabic Orchestra.



Downriver Campus



Wayne RESA New Teacher Academy

The Downriver Campus hosted Wayne RESA New Teacher Academy. This workshop covered topics such as setting up a classroom, state teaching standards and education policies.



Wayne Metro Regional Housing Partnership Planning Meeting

Wayne Metro held its Regional Housing Partnership Planning Meeting for community organizations convening to actively work towards providing for safe, affordable, and accessible housing.



Taylor Schools Professional Development Workshop



WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



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



The Guidance Center

HeartSaver Adult, Child and Infant CPR, First Aid and AED

The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education hosted the HeartSaver Adult, Child and Infant CPR, First Aid and automated external defibrillator (AED) training. This course trained participants to provide first aid, CPR, and how to use an AED in a safe, timely, and effective manner.



Eastern Campus



First Week of Spring 2025 Classes!



Campus Staff Meeting

Classroom Readiness



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.



Northwest Campus



100 Black Men of America, Inc.

Representatives from 100 Black Men of America, Inc. provided career resources to young men.



Student Success!

We continue to assist students with navigating the first week of Spring 2025 classes.



The Northwest Campus hosted the Darul Wahi Enlightenment Program.



Members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. participated in a professional development workshop.

Northwest Campus



Sandirria Harris, Dean of Pharmacy Technology, attended the 2025 College Expo sponsored by the Grandmont Community Association Scholarship Committee. Ms. Harris provided information about WCCCD's allied health programs.

Welcome!



2001 WCCCD Nursing Alumnus
Wanda Butler joins the Nursing faculty.



The Health Science Center received 21 new beds for the nursing skills labs.

Ted Scott Campus



4-H Youth and Volunteer Recognition Seminar

The Ted Scott Campus hosted the Annual 4-H Youth and Volunteer Recognition Seminar. Participants practiced their leadership skills and public speaking, while learning how to become active members in their community.



Small Engine Repair Class

Students in the continuing education Small Engine Repair class are learning the basics on the first day.



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

