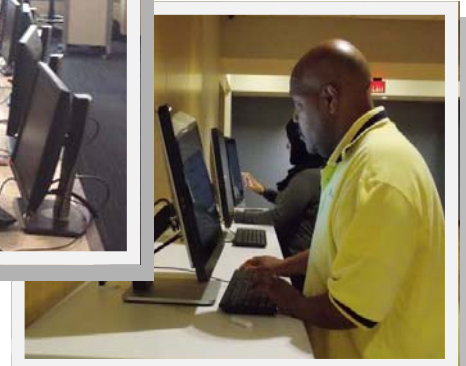




The Larry K. Lewis Education Center is up and running and has increased the District's capacity to serve students. Currently, it hosts 37 general education, nursing, and computer classes as well as continuing education classes weekly. The media lab is frequently used for community engagement activities in addition to hosting the Detroit K-12 chess club on Saturdays. The building also helps the District to provide instructional support services through the open computer lab that runs 8:30 am-5:00 pm. Students are enjoying the convenient services of managing their enrollments through the kiosk computers strategically located throughout the first floor of the building. Classes are continuing to be scheduled at the center for the Fall 2013 semester.



DATA DRIVEN DECISIONS

This week I met with senior members of the team to emphasize the importance of data-driven decisions as a foundation for how the District functions. This is part of Goal Six of our strategic plan which focuses on the enhancement of District-wide continuous self-evaluation and self improvement through the use of measurement data that guides decisions that impact our community. This process promotes a culture of evidence at all levels that honors transparency and the integrity of the data we use. This was an exceptional opportunity to strengthen our mutual understanding of the importance of data-driven decision making throughout the District.



DIVISION OF STUDENT SERVICES

MICHIGAN COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIP (MICUP) UPDATE



Science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) informational meetings were held at the Downtown and Northwest campuses for more than 100 participants. Student Services staff and MICUP interns led the discussion about various opportunities available to students interested in pursuing a education and career. Three STEM grants were explained to a captivated audience; MICUP, Michigan Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation and the Engineering Information Foundation grant for women.



GO WILDCATS!



WCCCD Wildcat men and women cross country team's first event will be held at Jackson Community College on September 6, 2013 at 4:30pm. Pictured to the left is Justin Omundi, second year runner and this year's team captain.

LEGISLATIVE CORNER

New School Accountability System: The Michigan Department of Education has debuted a new system for holding schools accountable under the federal No Child Left Behind law, issuing scorecards for every school and district. The new color-coded system will assign one of five colors— green, lime green, yellow, orange or red— to each school or district. The color green is best, and it means most of the goals were met.

Obama Releases College Affordability Plan: President Barack Obama announced this latest plan to make college more affordable, a multi-faceted initiative that combines new and existing proposals to reduce the price of getting a high-quality college degree. The White House has released more specific details related to the plan's impact in Michigan. The American Association of Community Colleges and the Association of Community College Trustees have released a statement on the plan.



Virtual Learning Collaborative Update- Fall Sessions for Online Teacher Certification Courses Open for Enrollment:

The Online Teacher Certification course Fall 2013 session runs from October 7-November 17, 2013. This six—week online course is designed to provide participants with the experience of being an online student while introducing them to the pedagogical and technical issues of online teaching. Course instruction is based on the quality principals/standards identified in the MCCVLV Online Course Development Guidelines/Rubric.



Family Safety Fair and Open House
Saturday, September 28, 2013
9:00am– 1:00pm
Downriver Campus

24th Annual Kinship Adoption Festival
Saturday, September 21, 2013
11:00am-3:00pm
Northwest Campus





Great News!

100% of the 2013 dental hygiene summer graduates who took the Northeast Regional Board clinical exam passed! The class average was 90%! Thanks to all of you for your continued support and efforts in supporting our students clinical and educational success on this examination.

NURSING NEWS!

The National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) pass rates have been posted on the National Council of State Board of Nursing website for the second quarter of 2013. For the year ending June 2013, WCCCD pass rates for nursing students have exceeded both Michigan and national graduates. Below is a comparison of WCCCD graduates with Michigan and national associate degree graduates.

Comparison of NCLEX-RN Pass Rates for First Time Writers, 2010-June 2013

Year	WCCCD Nursing	Michigan Associate Degree Graduates	National Associate Degree Graduates
2010	90.8%	87.95%	86.46%
2011	86.36%	88.13%	86.99%
2012	88.39%	87.95%	89.32%
Jan-June 2013	92%	89.13%	84.91%

DENTAL HYGIENE STUDENTS

Dental Hygiene students participated in the Greening of Detroit Live Love Local Celebration. This day-long event embraced living green, loving Detroit and local food.



NURSING FACULTY PARTICIPATE IN BLACKBOARD TRAINING



MATURE WORKER'S TRAINING

The Urban League of Detroit held their quarterly Mature Worker's Training on Job Readiness titled "A New Attitude...For a New Program Year!" The workshop focused on the challenge of a new attitude which included a presentation from the Hannah Foundation on lifelong learning. Presenters developed an individual employment plan and reviewed payroll information.



Mature Worker's Training

TRANSPORTATION SOLUTIONS TRAINING

The Department of Human Services conducted a Transportation Solutions Training workshop designed to discover strategies for employment related mobility. Low cost strategies were taught that can be implemented within a Michigan Works agency to help participants connect with transportation jobs and training. Participants spent the day learning practices among local transportation providers, business, and workforce development professionals to develop effective short and long term transportation options.

On the Move...

Dr. Esperanza Cintron was one of 30 educators that had the opportunity to attend the Korea Academy for Educators Summer Seminar in Los Angeles, CA. Dr. Cintron attended classes in Korean history, culture and literature facilitated by, USC Professor David Kang and novelist, Helie Lee.

Young Men for Education Advocacy

A luncheon was held at the Downtown Campus for The Young Men for Education Advocacy facilitated by Dawud Mohammed, Reverend Lonnie Peek Jr., and Lonnie Peek III. This regular meeting was held to continue the discussion on issues relevant to student success and completion for male students. Lunch was provided by Trustee Vernon Allen.



Eastern Campus



CONTINUING EDUCATION PREVIEW DAY

The Eastern Campus hosted the first Continuing Education (CE) Preview Day with more than 80 participants. CE instructors from across the District created a 'fair' type atmosphere to display their creations and skills to promote the Fall 2013 CE classes.



THE SCHOOL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

The School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development is pleased to announce newly developed partnerships for our Youth Enrichment Series (Y.E.S.) with Mary McLeod Bethune Elementary/Middle School, Blanche Kleso Bruse, Detroit Merit, Ross Hill and Heart Academy, and Detroit West Side Academy High School. The schools are excited to have presentation topics including career exploration, creating great study habits, and goal setting.



OFFICE OF ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY



A systematic approach is used to procure data from multiple sources, allowing for collective knowledge through accountability and transparency. The Continuous Quality Improvement Center ensures that sustainability and credibility are achieved through data driven decisions which ultimately assure continuous quality management.

DIVISION OF EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS

DID YOU KNOW...

Adjunct Faculty:
Top Three Items for Semester Start

- Print class roster from Webgate to take attendance on the first day of class.
- Enter positive attendance the first two weeks of class.
- Submit course syllabi, to include expected course competencies, to each campus location.

Learning Resource Center Web Pages Updated

We strive to create an accurate and informative virtual presence with the Learning Resource Center web pages. This week the web pages were updated to include:

LRC Satisfaction Survey for Fall 2013

LRC Satisfaction Survey for Fall 2013, which can be easily accessed by scrolling to the bottom of the LRC home page or accessed directly at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/FA13LRCsurvey>.

Please take a few minutes to complete the online survey. Remember, your feedback is crucial in planning and continuous improvement strategies that address your information needs.



Downriver Campus

AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS LEARN ABOUT NEW FORD C-MAX ENERGI

Automotive Service Technology Program students and faculty member Martin Depowski, devoted some class time to a lecture/demonstration of the new Ford C-Max Energi, purchased by the District. The C-Max Energi is a plug-in hybrid electric vehicle that will operate in three modes; electric, gasoline or electric/gasoline.



DUAL ENROLLMENT FOR STUDENTS OF THE TAYLOR SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Downriver Campus and Taylor School District started their new on campus dual enrollment program. More than 55 junior students are taking English I and Fundamentals of Speech courses this semester

CONGRATULATIONS!



Anthony Arminiak was sworn in as a commissioner on the City of Taylor, Local Development Finance Authority Commission. This commission develops long-range plans in cooperation with the agency which is chiefly responsible for planning in the municipality and to promote the growth of the authority district.



Western Campus



Western Campus

PAWS WITH A CAUSE

The Western Campus is honored to host Paws with a Cause training classes. The Paws with a Cause organization trains assistance dogs nationally for people with disabilities and provides lifetime team support which encourages independence.



DUAL ENROLLMENT PARTNERSHIP WITH BELLEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

The Western Campus hosted a dual enrollment meeting for parents of Belleville High School juniors who will begin classes at the Western Campus on September 3, 2013. The meeting was followed by a tour of the campus.

ROMULUS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Cecile Taylor is a member of the Romulus Chamber of Commerce's Education Committee, fulfilling her elected role as director of the Chamber Board. The committee is strategically planning the 2014 calendar of exciting and relevant educational experiences, catering to the needs of community leaders and chamber members. Ms. Taylor will leverage this position to advance the continuation of campus collaboration and strategic partnerships.



DIVISION NEWS

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY



To improve service, the Division of Information Technology is in the process of reconfiguring the network infrastructure in the Administration Building. To prevent any service interruptions, the division is planning to work on this project after business hours and on the weekends.



Website Hits

For the week of August 19 – 25, we received 80,385 visits to our website.

Top 5 Content Views

Financial Aid: 23,017
 Student Services: 14,244
 Distance Learning: 11,333
 Academic Programs: 9,698
 Northwest Campus: 6,790

WCCCD Certificate Programs	Average Median Salaries
Heating Ventilation	\$42,530
Surgical Tech Central Service Technology	\$39,920
Automotive Service Technology	\$35,790
OIS –Office Specialist	\$34,660
Certified Nurse Aide	\$24,010

The table indicates average median salaries for some of the fastest growing careers requiring a college certificate.

INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), certificates are one of the most popular types of postsecondary education awards. In 2010–11. The National Center for Education Statistics indicated the most popular certificate programs were healthcare, personal and culinary services, mechanic and repair technologies/technicians. BLS projects that employment growth for most of the certificate occupations will be much faster than average between 2010 and 2020.

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Mohammad Mirza attended the Moody's Analytics Seminar titled "Fundamentals of Bank Credit Risk Analysis." This seminar provided the framework and tools necessary to analyze bank credit risk, in both developed and emerging markets and utilizing Moody's Bank Financial Strength Rating: Global Methodology.

HUMAN RESOURCES



MEDICAL LEAVE AND PHYSICIAN STATEMENTS

To better serve our faculty and staff, the Division of Human Resources (HR) is requesting that anyone returning from a medical have their physician's office send a release directly to HR. This will ensure that faculty and staff are able to return to work in a timely manner.

DEFERRED MAINTENANCE

Eastern Campus Fall Semester Readiness

In preparation for the Fall semester, a variety of maintenance and repair projects were completed by the Eastern Campus Facilities Team.



Concrete/Sidewalk Power Wash

Building Signage at the Northwest Campus

The building signage project is nearing completion for the Larry K. Lewis Education Center, the Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center and the Denise Wellons-Glover Welcome Center. Installation of the lettering will began on Tuesday, September 3, 2013. We look forward to the positive appearance and impression that our building signage will generate.

DISTRICT PUBLIC SAFETY

MEET OFFICER KEITH SMITH

In 1986, Keith Smith graduated from the Detroit Police Academy and the Detroit Fire Academy. In 1990, he began his career with the Wayne County Sheriff's Department where he is currently working as a lieutenant at Division I Jail. Officer Smith previously worked in the warrant enforcement unit, auto theft unit, marine enforcement and the tether unit. Officer Smith is now a police authority officer with the District where he will use his experience and training to help serve and protect our students.



TODDLER CAPTURED!

Myles Ivery escaped from the Mickey Mouse Club this week. Chief Muhammed made the arrest and he is now in the care of his "Pa-Pa."



COMPLETION AGENDA 2020



The Completion Agenda is about student opportunity and choice in educational endeavors. WCCCD continues to remain out front with the start of their new Light Rail Program. New this fall, the program already has eleven students that are registered and eager to work towards completing their Associate of Applied Science Degree. We offer students two different options; Signaling and Communications or Electromechanical. These additional new tracks offer students interested in electrical electronics increased opportunities for employment in high skill, high wage, and high demand fields.

Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center



The Downriver Campus and the Mary Ellen Stempfle (MES) University Center staff joined together to support the "Racing for Kids to the Hill" event in Grosse Pointe. "Racing for Kids to the Hill" is a day-long community celebration and fundraiser which supports children who are sick and hospitalized. The Downriver Campus brought a fire truck for children and their families and the MES University Center provided informational materials on District offerings.



COMMUNICATION AND INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT

JULY 2013 EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

- *Russell Hughes - Information Technology
- *Kim Fisher – Purchasing

- *Alan Fortune – Downriver Campus
- *Adrian Boucher –
Communication and Institutional Advancement