

CHANCELLOR'S WEEKEND MEMO

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Community Conversation on Gun Violence

Chief Darrick Muhammad represented the District at the Community Conversation on Gun Violence hosted by Congressman John Dingell. Congressman Dingell serves as vice chair of the House Gun Violence Prevention Task Force working with other congressmen, the Obama Administration, and citizen groups from around the country to discuss the issues behind gun violence.



Mending the Safety Net at the Downriver Campus

The Downriver Campus hosted the annual Mending the Safety Net Program. The Healthy Downriver Community Team, a local community collaborative initiative, presented an exciting and stimulating resource sharing event designed to provide up-to-date information about the resources available to community members.



Process Models

As an ongoing commitment to quality improvement, Mrs. Glenda Baylor visited with WCCCD District staff and observed meetings as they discussed process models and various District procedures.



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DOWNTOWN CAMPUS
EASTERN CAMPUS

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EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS



What's New in Distance Learning?

The integration of Banner and Blackboard provides these advantages to its users:

- ◆ Login information is shared between the two systems: same pin and password
- ◆ Students may gain access to Blackboard four hours after registering for a class instead of 24 hours required in previous semesters
- ◆ Faculty class rosters are automatically updated when students drop or add courses or make name changes without any manual processing – greatly reducing positive attendance and grading errors caused by discrepancies between Banner and Blackboard.

The Banner-Blackboard Integration is an innovative progression in Distance Learning practices and its benefits have been immediately experienced by students, faculty and staff.

Can We Teach Innovation?

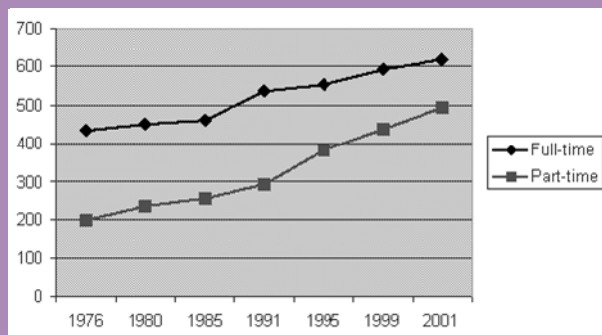


Paula Gangopadhyay, Curriculum and Project Director for The Henry Ford Magazine's Innovation Education Incubator believes we can. She believes it is possible, but only if we change our teaching methodologies. After many months of reaching out to educators, administrators, museum and corporate professionals and engineering professors, the consensus was that there was little room for creativity in both the K-12 system and at the collegiate level. Her belief is that in order to teach innovation we must change our methodologies, tools for engagement and our mindsets. Today's student learns by discovering and by being creative and as educators we need to adapt as facilitators of learning. Source: The Henry Ford Magazine, January – May Issue



A Shift in Academic Culture: The New Majority

There is an increasing trend at four-year institutions to engage adjunct faculty. According to an article in the Chronicle of Higher Education (November, 2012), the shift notes a change in academic culture and expanding roles for adjunct faculty. It also states a progressive increase of contingent faculty in the instructional workforce with an increase of 148% during the period of 1976-2001 as reported by the U.S. Department of Education. While meeting objectives of the student success agenda, higher education is poised to address meeting the needs of a stable contingent workforce while maintaining essential teaching and curriculum standards. The charts show the number of faculty, by faculty employment status: 1976 to 2001.



SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Digest of Education Statistics 2002

Learning Resource Center

LRC Programs for February

Open orientation sessions are planned throughout the District to help orient current and returning students to the LRC's and resources. Visit a campus LRC to find out more about learning opportunities available to increase student success.



FEBRUARY 19



- Downriver**– Gathering Water
by Bernice L. McFadden
- Downtown**– An Invisible Thread
by Laura Schroff
- Eastern**– Perfect Peace
by Daniel Black
- Northwest**– What Looks Like Crazy
on the Ordinary Day
by Pearl Cleage
- Western**– The Impeachment of
Abraham Lincoln by Stephen L. Carter



Upcoming Events Across the District!

Young Artist Expo 2013
Opening Reception– Thursday, February 7, 2013 6:00-8:00pm
Downriver Campus

11th Annual Passport to Africa
Saturday, February 9, 2013 11:00am– 3:00pm
Downtown Campus

Motorcycle Safety Awareness Workshop
Saturday, April 27, 2013 11:00am– 1:30pm
Downriver Campus

*Come out and support our wonderful Wildcats basketball!
See page 4 for game times this weekend!*

THE SCHOOL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



Shawna Forbes attended the American Association of Community Colleges annual Workforce Development Institute (WDI). WDI is designed as a comprehensive program for community college-based workforce service providers. The three-day conference aims to educate, invigorate, and motivate those who are new to workforce development as well as seasoned practitioners.

Continuing Education Report

During the week of January 21 - 26, 2013 the District served 478 participants by partnering with five community organizations.

- Downriver Campus- 272 students
- Downtown Campus- 18 students
- Eastern Campus- 170 students
- Western Campus- 18 students

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

1098-T forms have been generated for all students who have a valid social security number on file with the District. The IRS Form 1098-T is issued to those students who had qualified tuition and fee charges in the preceding calendar year. The form is an informational tax document to aid taxpayers in determining whether they are eligible to claim a tax deduction or education tax credit. 1098-T forms are currently being sent via mail to students. In the meantime, students can access the electronic version of their 1098-T form via WebGate.

NEW MILEAGE RATE



Effective January 1, 2013, the business mileage reimbursement rate was increased to 56.5¢ per mile. WCCCD uses the IRS standard mileage rate for reimbursement to employees using personal vehicles for approved business travel.

NURSING PROGRAM ACCREDITATION UPDATE

National League of Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) Standard 4 highlights the need for students to have clinical experiences that reflect best practices and nationally established patient health and safety goals. WCCCD has developed and maintained clinical partnerships that will enable our nursing students to have a wide range of practicum experiences while they are still under the guidance of faculty. This is an effective strategy to apply and analyze what they learn in the classroom which will later translate into what they may encounter as nurses in practice.



STUDENT SERVICES



WCCCD Wildcats

WCCCD vs. Schoolcraft Community College
Saturday, February 2, 2013
1:00pm Women's 3:00pm Men's

WCCCD vs. Mott Community College
Saturday, February 9, 2013
1:00pm Women's 3:00pm Men's

The Wildcats basketball teams defeated their Alpena Community College opponents with a 75-61 score for the men and a 76-50 for the women. Of the ten teams in the Eastern Conference, the men's basketball team is in 2nd place and the women's basketball team is in 6th place. Congratulations Wildcat athletes and keep up the good work!



Student Executive Council

The Student Executive Council representatives from each campus met to prepare for the Spring 2013 semester activities. Students were excited about supporting our basketball teams, volunteering for the Stormy Weather, The Lena Home Project performance, Black History Month Global Conversations Speaker Series, and assisting with the upcoming Welcome Week activities.

Michigan College University Partnership Update

Michigan College/University Partnership (MICUP) internship applications streamed into the Student Services Division in time for the February 4 application deadline. Application documents were reviewed by MICUP staff and students were helped to refine their paperwork in an effort to maximize the quality of WCCCD applicant submissions. The 7-week summer research internship at Michigan Technological University provides students with a tremendous opportunity to enhance their education.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY



Facebook Graph Search Mines Potentially Rich Data for Phisher, Attackers

This new feature will let anyone search and narrow their queries based on the location, and specific things a person likes or does. Graph Search has limitless potential for phishers and attackers who target particular individuals and organizations. The key is for users to understand the implications of sharing particular personal information on any social media site such as Facebook. Even though Graph Search is privacy-conscious as Facebook promises, some embarrassing content, or potentially sensitive data could always come up and haunt you.

45th Annual Michigan Student Financial Aid Association Winter Conference

Staff from the Financial Aid Department and Student Loan Management Center attended the 45th Annual Michigan Student Financial Aid Association Winter Conference. New information was gathered regarding satisfactory academic progress, return of Title IV and default management among other topics. WCCCD representatives included Dawn Floyd, Wilma Harris, Andrea Johnson, Ronele Johnson, Tawi Moore, Tamara Pruitt and Roland Stamps.

CAMPUS PRESIDENTS' CORNER

FIRST GRADUATION CLASS MEETING HELD AT THE DOWNTOWN CAMPUS



The first graduation class meeting was held at the Downtown Campus last weekend. The meeting provided information on requirements, the ceremony, and honors to name a few.

February 16 Downriver Campus 1:00pm
 March 23 Northwest Campus 1:00pm
 April 13 Western Campus 1:00pm
 May 18 Eastern Campus 1:00pm



DENTAL HYGIENE STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN MOCK EXAM

The Northwest Campus Dental Hygiene second year students participated recently in a mock exam designed to prepare students for the National Examination. The mock exam was sponsored by Elsevier, a world leading provider in scientific, technical and medical information products and services.



READY FOR THE SPRING SEMESTER AT THE NORTHWEST CAMPUS

The Northwest Campus instruction team visited each classroom and passed out the faculty packet to faculty members. They have also been busy handing out the campus etiquette and expectation information sheet to students.

THE WESTERN CAMPUS WELCOMES BACK INKSTER HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

The Western Campus welcomed back Inkster High School Dual Enrollment students for the Spring 2013 semester. The students are enrolled in college level courses while completing their high school diploma. The program allows for the students to earn college credits which leads to an Associate's Degree so that they can have a jump start at college.



THE HEINZ C. PRETCHER EDUCATIONAL AND PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

Coming Soon!

February 8, 8:00pm

For tickets call the box office at (734) 374-3200



TAYLOR POLICE DEPARTMENT AWARDS CEREMONY AT THE DOWNRIVER CAMPUS



THE ENTREPRENEURIAL INSTITUTE AND RESOURCE CENTER HOSTS UNDERSTANDING THE NEW ECONOMY CITY-TO-CITY TOUR

The Eastern Campus and the Entrepreneurial Institute and Resource Center hosted a "Understanding the New Economy City-to-City Tour." Dara Harris, Entrepreneur and Financial Consultant discussed the new economy and how it affects them. She also discussed retirement options, money management, and obtaining credit.

THE MICHIGAN INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY EDUCATION



The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE) hosted several organizations this week:

- ◆ The Wayne County Department of Public Health held a Mass Prophylaxis Preparedness and Planning training workshop. The training provided onsite leaders and team members the necessary skills to establish and operate a Center for Disease Control Point of Disruption during a declared bioterrorism emergency.

- ◆ The Wayne County Department of Public Health also held a NIMS Resource Unit Leader Class. This three-day workshop provided an overview of unit leader responsibilities and the planning process to contextualize the resources unit for participants unfamiliar with the planning process or the Incident Command System.

- ◆ The U.S. Customer and Border Protection conducted a four-day active shooter training workshop. The participants learned about the history of mass killings, initial response to a hostage/barricaded vs. an active shooter, improvised explosive device awareness and rescue first aid to name a few.

NEW AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS INSTALLED

MIPSE provided an improvement to the District safety equipment by installing a new Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) at MIPSE and replacing an older Phillips AED at the Health Science Center.



On the Move...



- ◆ Anthony Arminiak was inducted into the Taylor International Rotary Club as a new Rotarian. The Judge Geno Solomon was his sponsor for ceremony. Mr. Arminiak also attended the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber Board of Directors meeting. Mr. Arminiak serves as a treasurer.
- ◆ Yvette McElroy Anderson represented the Western Campus at the William D. Ford Career and Technical Education Center Open House. The open house provided an opportunity for high school students to consider options available for their post high school educational endeavors and examine the career fields highlighted at the Western Campus.
- ◆ Drs. Sandra Robinson and Julie Corbett represented the District at the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce's annual meeting.
- ◆ Mike Dotson attended a Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber Leadership 21 workshop. This workshop focused on economic development in Wayne County.



Pictured:
Yvette McElroy Anderson



OUR VERY OWN DR. ESPERANZA CINTRON PUBLISHES BOOK OF POETRY!

Dr. Esperanza Cintron has published a new book of poetry. *What Keeps Me Sane* is a choir of women's voices in written form. Dr. Cintron is the winner of the 2013 Naomi Long Madgett Poetry Award. Congratulations Dr. Cintron on your professional recognition.

Website Hits

For the week of Jan 21 – 27, we received 77,814 visits to our website. Visits came from 52 countries. We received 4,764 hits for the academic schedules and 2,412 hits for the college catalog.

Top 5 Content Views

Financial Aid-15,848
Distance Learning- 13,996
Student Services- 12,087
Academic Programs- 8,239
Northwest Campus- 8,012

Top 5 Countries

United States
Canada
India
United Kingdom
Saudi Arabia

DEFERRED MAINTENANCE



Wayne
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District



1 College District • 5 Campuses

Accountability & Transparency District-wide Deferred Maintenance



Deferred Maintenance



Downriver

- ◆ HVAC energy upgrade project (In process).
- ◆ Additional external security lighting needed. (In process).
- ◆ Updated facility snow removal equipment
- ◆ Bus Shelter completion (Expected completion February 28th)
- ◆ New light fixtures for LRC

Downtown

- ◆ New furniture and ceiling in the library (Bids have been placed)
- ◆ New receptionist cubicles in the One Stop Shop (No update)
- ◆ New receptionist cubicles in the learning lab, room 239 (No update)

Eastern

- ◆ Alarm system needs repair (Expected completion Feb 1st)
- ◆ Boiler replacement/repair (Expected completion Feb 1st)
- ◆ Heat system pump motor repair (In process)
- ◆ Window blinds in Cooper room (In process)
- ◆ Marquee needs replacing/repair (In process)

University Center

- ◆ Security cameras
- ◆ Expand stage in auditorium
- ◆ Marquee

Western

- ◆ Windows in café area leak. This has been an ongoing problem since they were installed
- ◆ Marquee not working, needs replacing/repair
- ◆ Light pole banners need to be purchased and installed (In process)
- ◆ Flag pole repair



General Maintenance



Western: Interior and exterior lights need replacing



Legislative Update



News From Other States: California Governor Jerry Brown has suggested several ways to change community colleges in California. Restricting how many units a person can earn is one. Another is to pay students for finishing their course work. Governor Brown's idea is to kick back money to students who finish their courses with good grades. A unit that now costs students \$49, could get a \$10 rebate of more.

Community Colleges in the News: Jackson Community College (JCC) trustees approved authorization of Jackson Preparatory and Early College (JPEC) charter school. JPEC will serve sixth through 12th grades and add a 13th so students can graduate with a high school diploma and tuition-free JCC associate's degree.

Statewide News: Business leaders of Michigan advocate for increased spending in higher education. Between 2002 and 2012, state spending per student on higher education declined 35% even as public spending per prisoner increased 42%.