

# CHANCELLOR'S WEEKEND MEMO

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## INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS

According to Thomas Snyder's book The Community College Career Track: How to Achieve the American Dream Without a Mountain of Debt, community colleges are very likely the best resource for anyone wanting to make a career change. Earning a degree or a certificate at a community college can build a bridge to a satisfying and rewarding new career.

Source: <http://www.communitycollegetimes.com/Pages/Campus-Issues/How-career-changers-can-prepare-for-college.aspx>

### *Did you know?*

87.7% of new students entering WCCCD rate "preparing for a new career" as the most important goal for attending college. The chart shows the top rated items of importance by WCCCD's new students as their goals for attending college.

| Goals for Attending College                                  | % Very Important |
|--|------------------|
| Prepare for a new career                                     | 87.70%           |
| Increase my general knowledge and understanding of the world | 85.10%           |
| Decide on a career goal                                      | 83.20%           |

## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY



### *Colleges Use Online Chat Rooms to Reach High School Students*

Colleges nationwide are using online chat rooms as a way of reaching high school students in what these days is their natural habitat: the Internet. CollegeWeekLive is an online service that helps students from around the world find the college or university that best meets their needs. More than 450 colleges and universities participate in this service.

## DISTRICT PUBLIC SAFETY

The District Public Safety Department welcomed Ken Hammond, Senior Chief Border Patrol Officer and Public Affairs Liaison for the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Detroit Field Office. Our discussion focused on Homeland Security grants and rapid deployment response for educational institutions. The collaborative partnership with MIPSE allows us to have the best trained public safety team. Recently, several members of the department trained at MIPSE in rapid deployment.



### **CHIEF DARRICK MUHAMMAD FINALIST FOR CAMPUS SAFETY MAGAZINE DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR!**

Our very own Chief, Darrick Muhammad, District Director of Public Safety is this year's finalist for the Campus Safety Magazine Director of the Year award. Congratulations to Chief Muhammad on being a finalist of this year's awards program.



## ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE



Chastity Gaither attended the Fall Federal Student Aid (FSA) Conference presented by the Department of Education. This annual conference is designed to provide up-to-date information on Title IV programs and federal policies and procedures. It also cover topics ranging from the technologies associated with information systems to improved practices for supporting aid applicants and recipients.





## Learning Resource Center

### C.L.A.S.S. (Connecting Libraries And Student Success) Workshops

Beginning Spring 2013, the Learning Resource Centers will provide in-classroom instruction to students about academic-related topics at the request of faculty. Topics that will be addressed include:

- ◆ How to Avoid Plagiarism
- ◆ Understanding Modern Language Association Style and Setting Up in Microsoft Word
- ◆ Knowing Your Limits, Copyright Basics
- ◆ How to Write a Research Paper, Start with the Library

These instructional sessions will help students gain valuable information and skills to enhance student learning and success.

Other academic topics will be added upon request during the pilot period. The new service will be an addition to the class orientation sessions and informational sessions currently being offered in the LRCs District-wide.



### First Day of Spring 2013 Classes January 23, 2013

The Division of Educational Affairs continues to prepare for the Spring 2013 semester. We are watching enrollment trends and class assignments on a daily basis while staying in communication with campus administration.

In addition to preparing for the Spring 2013 semester, the division continues its efforts to develop the Summer 2013 schedule. Preliminary schedules have been developed and are under initial review by campus and District personnel.



### Distance Learning

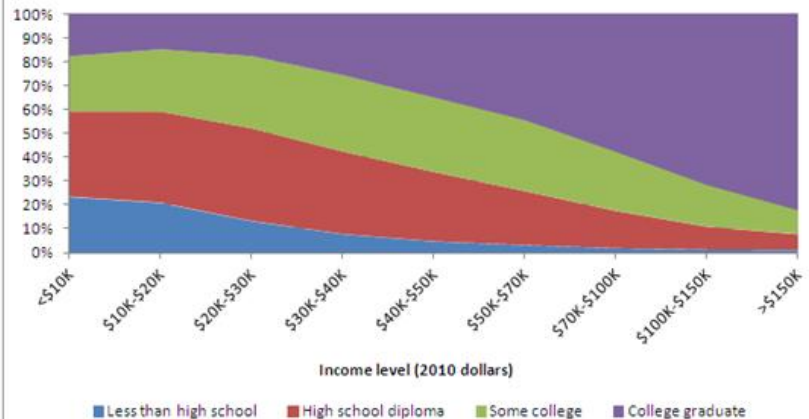
Blackboard has just completed a maintenance release of Wimba Classroom 6.2.2. The release includes no visible changes to the overall classroom interface, resolves known technical issues and overall stability enhancements. Wimba Classroom is one of the training workshops that will be offered during the Spring 2013 semester.

### Faculty Organization Day January 19, 2013 Downriver Campus

### Middle Skill Match: Aligning People + Degrees + Market Demand

Training people in the labor pool with skill-sets (college certificates, associate degrees and industry certifications) to perform jobs driven by market demand is part of the middle-skill solution. A report by The Center on Education and the Workforce (Georgetown University) reports that one-third of all job openings between 2010 and 2020 will require a postsecondary vocational certificate, college credits and/or associate degree. Bureau of Labor statistics note most "middle jobs" don't require a four-year degree and pay at least \$35,000 a year.

Probability of Being in Educational Group for a  
Given Income Level, 2007-2010





## Wildcat Basketball



WCCCD vs.  
Delta Community College

January 16, 2013

Women's Team 5:30pm  
Men's Team 7:30pm



*Come out and support our Wildcats!*

# WCCCD Wildcats

### Fall 2012 Athletic Scholars are Applauded for their Academic Excellence

- ◆ Bradford Parker, Men's Basketball Team member will receive two associate degrees after completing the Spring 2013 semester.
- ◆ Chinyelu Umeokolo, Women's Cross Country Team member received Academic All American Award this season after completing one year with a 4.0 GPA and maintaining an over 3.8 GPA.
- ◆ Justin Omundi, Men's Cross Country Team member received a 4.0 GPA for Fall 2012.
- ◆ Samuel Passmore, Men's Basketball Team member received a 4.0 GPA for Fall 2012.
- ◆ David Wilson, Men's Golf Team member received a 4.0 GPA for Fall 2012.

The Wildcats' basketball teams have had a busy week. WCCCD played Schoolcraft Community College and came out as victors. The women's team won by 20 points and the men's won by 22 points. The game against Macomb Community College brought on another challenge for our teams. The women's team fought a tough fight against one of the top 10 ranking teams in the country, but fell short of a victory. However, the men's team dominated the Macomb Monarchs winning by 30 points. We wish our teams continued success!



## Recruitment Opportunities at Northwestern High School

Will Sampson represented the District at Northwestern High School's Financial Aid College Fair. The event provided high school seniors the opportunity to complete on-site admissions applications as well as introduced students and parents to the detailed process of completing their FAFSA application. Many students expressed their interest in enrolling in WCCCD's featured programs and look forward to attending in the Fall.

## District Command Center



The District Command Center will continue operating throughout the month of January between the hours of 9:00am – 7:00pm. The dedicated staff members will be processing incoming student inquiries from the District Call Center and Financial Aid Hotline. Also, the staff will be providing intrusive outreach to identified populations of students by conducting outgoing calls and offering assistance with registration.

## CAMPUS PRESIDENTS' CORNER

### Boy Scouts of America Merit Badge Mania

The Downriver Campus hosted the Boy Scouts of America, Mahican District Merit Badge Mania. This event provided 450 Boy Scouts in the community an opportunity to earn up to four merit badges in one day.



### Western Campus Hosts Wayne County Clerk's Association

In partnership with the Van Buren Township Clerk's office, the Western Campus hosted the quarterly meeting of the Wayne County Clerk's Association. More than 85 representatives from various municipalities attended this seminar where they received information about election procedures and heard a special presentation from the director of the Downtown Development Authority of Van Buren Township.

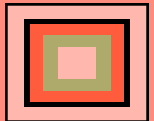
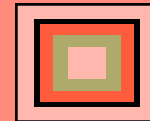
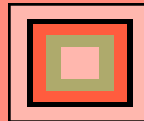


### Congratulations Isaias Ortiz!

Congratulations to Isaias Ortiz, Facilities Staff Member who received his 3rd Class Refrigeration License.



## THE SCHOOL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE

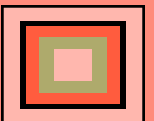
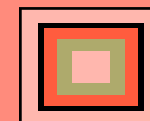
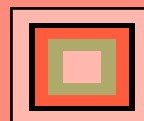


## COMMUNICATION AND INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT

The Customer Quality Improvement (CQI) Team is playing an integral role by assisting guests and WCCCD students at the front desk in the Administrative Office Building. Thank you to Muna Khoury, DaShonta Simpkins, Fizah Khan and RuQayyah Williams. Way to go team!! Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Let's keep the momentum going in 2013! Our WCCCD family can start the year by focusing on what is truly important, our students and constituents throughout our community. Please support this significant initiative to enhance our customer service. Looking forward to seeing fresh smiling faces this year!!

The School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development's Michigan Shifting Code Program Cohort III completed classroom instruction and is preparing to enter the practicum phase of the program. The Michigan Shifting Code Program is a collaborative effort supported by the Michigan Economic Development Corporation that provides career transition training designed to address critical workforce shortages related to computer programming and other occupations in demand.



# THE MICHIGAN INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY EDUCATION



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

- ◆ Healthlink Medical Transportation held their Coaching the Emergency Vehicle Operator (CEVO) ambulance training at MIPSE. The goal of the CEVO course is to facilitate the student's knowledge of the laws involving the operation of an emergency vehicle with practical hands on opportunities to evaluate each student's driving abilities.
- ◆ The Wayne County Department of Public Health held their All Hazards Incident Management Team Training workshop. This five-day course provides an overall goal of the U.S. Fire Administration's Incident Management Team (IMT) Program in developing state, regional and tribal IMT's to function under the National Incident Management System during a large and/or complex incident or major event.
- ◆ The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary held their monthly meeting to share information from the national and district levels.

## THE HEINZ C. PRETCHER EDUCATIONAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

*Coming Soon!*

February 8, 2013  
8:00pm

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



## On the Move...

- ◆ Carolyn Carter attended the Emancipation Proclamation 150th Anniversary Celebration at the Detroit Historical Museum. The event commemorated the actual date of January 6, 1863 that the document was read to the Historic Second Baptist Church congregation by the pastor. The 102nd U.S. Colored Troops were in uniform, many poets, activists and historians added to the program that ended with a tour of the new Doorway to Freedom Exhibit.
- ◆ Anthony Arminiak and Dan Sanders attended a Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA) Training Institute workshop on "Effective Safety and Health Training."

## FEDERAL WORK STUDY PROGRAM

In an effort to significantly improve our off-site Federal Work-Study (FWS) student processing for the Spring 2013 semester and to broaden the opportunities for our FWS students, the District has partnered with several new organizations. We are now partners with Teen Hype, which is an after school program for students in grades 8-12; Samaritan Home which provides computer training for adults and youth; and Homework Helpers, which provides homework assistance to school age children and youth.

**Mark your calendars!**



The 11th Annual Passport to Africa will be held on Saturday, February 9 at the Downtown Campus from 11:00am- 3:00pm



## Website Hits

**For the week of December 31 – January 6,**  
we received 33,621 visits to our website.  
Visits came from 60 countries.

We received 3,650 hits for the academic schedules  
and 1,884 hits for the college catalog.

### Top 5 Content Views

Financial Aid  
Student services  
Academic Programs  
Northwest Campus  
Downriver Campus

### Top 5 Countries

United States  
Canada  
India  
Nigeria  
Philippines

# DEFERRED MAINTENANCE



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College  
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 (In process)

### Downtown

- ◆ Concrete walls inside campus needs power cleaning [ 85% completed.]
- ◆ 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 (In process)
- ◆ Boiler replacement/repair (In process)
- ◆ Window blinds in Cooper room (In process)
- ◆ Marquee needs replacing/repair

### University Center

- ◆ Handicap door upgrade
- ◆ Security cameras
- ◆ Expand stage in auditorium
- ◆ Marquee

### Northwest

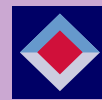
- ◆ Elevator doors need to be replaced in administration and welcome center buildings (scheduled for Christmas break)

### Western

- ◆ Windows in café area leak. This has been an ongoing problem since they were installed.
- ◆ Dead trees outside and mulch needed in beds (On hold until spring 2013)
- ◆ Marquee not working, needs replacing/repair
- ◆ Updated facility snow removal equipment (In purchasing)
- ◆ Light pole banners need to be purchased and installed (In process)



## General Maintenance



**Western:** Interior and exterior lights need replacing (In process)

### NEW CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

New air handlers were recently installed in the General Arts Building at the Northwest Campus. Work continues at the new construction site as desks were recently installed in various classrooms.

