

CHANCELLOR'S WEEKEND MEMO

March 8, 2013
Number 875

Larry K. Lewis Education Center

The ribbon cutting for the naming ceremony for the Larry K. Lewis Education Center took place March 1, 2013. Trustee Lewis was surrounded by his family, friends, fellow trustees, elected officials, community members and WCCCD staff. A ceremony followed the ribbon cutting which recognized the contributions of Trustee Lewis to the success of WCCCD since his tenure in 1992 as a Board member.



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DOWNTOWN CAMPUS
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UNIVERSITY CENTER

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Completion Agenda 2020

The Completion Agenda Workgroup continues on the path of making a difference in the lives of students who successfully complete their education. Presently, the Workgroup is looking at certificate offerings and identifying different third party accreditations and licensure opportunities that are tied to a student completing a particular course of study. Look for more information on this project in the weeks to come!



Course-Level Goal Setting: Course Syllabi as a Foundation for Assessment

The District maintains an annual review of course syllabi for all courses offered at the District. Course-level assessments provide the foundation for the assessment of degree programs as a whole. The Division of Educational Affairs sets the standard of using a competency-based format in the preparation of course syllabi in order to:

- ◆ Ensure academic quality of its programs and services to the communities it serves
- ◆ Provides a foundation for the articulation of courses to four-year transfer institutions
- ◆ Use in collaboration with business, industry and other agencies

UNIVERSAL DESIGN FOR LEARNING

Universal Design for Learning (UDL), a framework that supports an inclusive approach for designing learning materials and activities that are accessible to diverse student populations. UDL encourages educators to provide multiple means of engagement. For more information online go to: <http://tinyurl.com/b5o5owm>



LRC Programs for March

Beginning next week, the Learning Resource Centers will conduct "Ask-a-Librarian" interactive instructional sessions. The service is 24/7, 365 days a year, and which provides assistance with academic-related questions. The recent updates allow for quick and easy access from the LRC home page.

For more information, please visit the LRC web pages from the college's website at http://www.wcccd.edu/dept/learning_resource_center.htm

Opportunities for Adjunct Faculty in the District

Did you know that the District provides multiple opportunities for adjunct faculty to become engaged, collaborate and innovate?

A few examples include:

- ◆ District Conference Day (*engagement, professional development*)
- ◆ Faculty Organization Day (*professional development workshops*)
- ◆ Assessment Awareness Days (*collaboration and innovation among disciplines*)



- ◆ Scholar's Corner: Website for Adjunct Faculty (*instructional support, resources and professional development*)
- ◆ Adjunct Faculty Spotlight Series (*recognition of instructional excellence and innovation*)
- ◆ Teaching Excellence Recognition (*recognition of instructional excellence and innovation*)

Coming Soon in 2013! :

- ◆ Conversations in Pedagogy: (*engagement, collaboration, innovation sessions*)
- ◆ Adjunct Faculty Newsletter

DISTRICT PUBLIC SAFETY

Campus Safety Tips

- Always be aware of your surroundings.
- Don't make yourself a target. Be alert, remove your head phones, stay off your cell phone.
- Trust your intuition. If a particular situation or route makes you uncomfortable or feel unsafe, choose an alternative.
- Walk with a friend or co-worker – try not to walk alone.
- Have your keys in your hand before you reach your vehicle or residence.
- Always keep all your doors locked, (auto and residence).
- If you see someone who is behaving in suspicious ways, do not approach – call the police.



If you have information on incidents please contact Detroit Police at (313) 596-5600 or dial 9-1-1 or District Public Safety at (313) 943-4041.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY



6 Ways to Tame the Wireless Juggernaut

Colleges and Universities can effectively and efficiently meet the explosion in demand for wireless networking on campus by following these steps:

1. Take time to redesign
 2. Seek user input
 3. Make capacity a priority
 4. Plan for the unknown
 5. Evaluate solutions onsite
 6. Invest in Robust Radio Frequency Management Tools
- (Source : Ed Tech)

WEBSITE HIST

For the week of Feb 25 – March 3rd, we received 54,613 visits to our website. Visits came from 43 countries.

Top 5 countries were: United States, Canada, India, Nigeria and Jamaica.

The top 5 content views were:

Financial Aid: 8,459

Distance Learning: 7,541

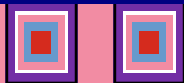
Student services: 6,311

Emergency Alert System: 5,903

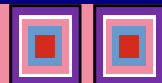
Academic Programs: 5,561

We received 2,927 hits for the academic schedules and 1,197 hits for college catalog.

INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS



Did You Know?



According to American Association of Community Colleges, library programs are indispensable to the teaching/learning mission of the community college. In today's world, libraries are not just a place, because many library resources and services are online and accessible from anywhere. Source: <http://www.aacc.nche.edu/About/Positions/Pages/ps01062003.aspx>

The Learning Resource Center/ (LRC) Library Satisfactory Survey is administered to students every semester. The survey is designed to gather information concerning students' initial encounters and experiences when utilizing services at WCCCD LRC's. Below are some key findings from the Fall 2012 semester:

Top Five Reasons Students indicated for Visiting the LRC

Use computers

Use printer/copier

Borrow Books

Quiet place to study

Help with Research

STUDENT SERVICES

MICUP AWARDEES



Ten of our students were honored to receive the prestigious Michigan College/University Partnership (MICUP) 2013 summer research internship at Michigan Technological University (MTU). These students will participate in a research project under the direction of a MTU faculty member and they will experience university life first hand by living in a dormitory and taking a university three credit class of their choice. Kudos go to the following students: Fadi Baydoun, Ricardo Benavides, Jason Biggs, Izabela Birsanescu, Denise Green, Cherno Jallow, Dominic Jennings, Pauline Samuels, Chinyelu Umeokolo, and Michael Williams.

The Student Executive Council members convened their biweekly meeting to discuss upcoming programs for the student body. Topics of discussion included; March Reading Month programs, recycling projects, Earth Day activities, and new student informational workshops.

As part of our Urban Education Initiative, the Office of Recruitment hosted an Early Summer Registration Seminar at the Considine Little Rock Family Life Center. Participants had the opportunity to learn about the District's premier programs and received registration information for the upcoming Summer term. This seminar is part of an ongoing education initiative aimed at community empowerment.



Achieving the Dream Learning Community students, Jabrea

Warford and Jamal Sanders, were honored for perfect attendance by professors Delbert Gray and Mrs. Rosario Flynn in both Sociology 100 and English 115. These stellar students were given educational items to use for their continued educational endeavors.



The mighty WCCCD Wildcats played their first playoff games. The men's team played against Macomb Community College and won a tough battle 63-60 while the women's team, who played against Mott Community College, was defeated. The WCCCD family congratulates the women's team for a season well played and wishes the men's team continued success in their next playoff game against Oakland Community College on Friday at 1:00 pm. The Wildcats are 21-7, overall and 15-3 in the MCCA Eastern Conference.



CAMPUS PRESIDENTS' CORNER



Michigan State University held its first ever 'College Preview Day' at the Eastern Campus. More than 250 high school seniors and parents from throughout the region attended the information fair complete with a 25 minute presentations from representatives from 20; 4-year colleges and universities, and the District.



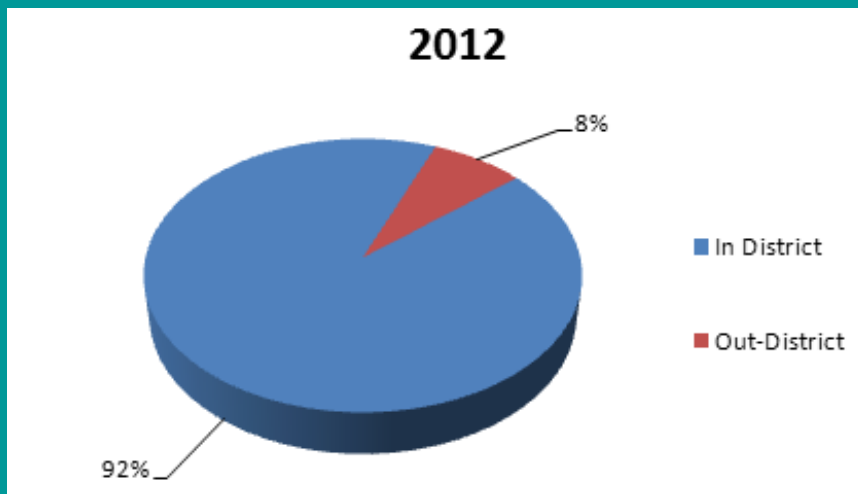
- ◆ The Eastern Campus held a Summer Financial Aid workshop on Monday, March 4th, 2013 and more than 220 students attended this very helpful information program. A special thanks to Ms. Mattie Porter and her wonderful staff for encouraging our students to get prepared early!
- ◆ The Entrepreneurial Institute and Resource Center participated in a Business Start-Up Roundtable. A local entrepreneur provided much needed advice and shared his own story about Business Start-Ups and the importance of nurturing a young business.



- ◆ Miss Gail Tubbs, Admissions Counselor from University of Michigan Dearborn, hosted an Undergraduate Admissions Recruitment visit at the Western Campus for students interested in their transfer programs.

DIVISION OF STUDENT SERVICES

We continue to attract students from outside of the Service District
Wayne County Community College District Residency Report



- ◆ Donna Dunford, Admissions Counselor from Walsh College, hosted an Undergraduate Admissions Recruitment visit at the Western Campus for students interested in their transfer programs.

CAMPUS PRESIDENTS' CORNER



◆ Counselor David Caddy, conducted a workshop entitled: Coping with Stress.” Students and staff the theories of stress, sources of stress and techniques for stress reduction. The group was highly engaged in the conversation and felt that they now have additional tools to assist them with handling stressors that may be presented in their lives.



◆ The class average of the 2012 dental hygiene graduates who successfully passed the Clinical Northeast Regional Board Examination taken at either the University of Michigan or Ohio State University was 95%



Veterinary Technology students received 100% pass rate on their national examinations.

NURSING NEWS!

WCCCD Nursing Program is a member of the Michigan Council of Nursing Education Administrators (MCNEA) an organization which represents the academic nurse leaders of associate degree and practical nursing programs in Michigan. The goals of MCNEA are to:

- ◆ Impact the direction of nursing education in Michigan.
- ◆ Monitor the direction of legislative issues regarding health care and nursing.
- ◆ Contribute to the professional development of the membership.
- ◆ Maintain a communication network for MCNEA members.



WCCCD Dean of Nursing, Gwen Cook, Ph.D., RN, attended the February 28 quarterly meeting in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan. Deans of Nursing from across the state discussed the top item on everyone's agenda – preparing for accreditation through National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC). WCCCD Nursing Program, like other schools attending the meeting, is currently writing their self study. This is a multi-month task that takes a close look at the program's mission and vision as well as, all activities of the program.

MCNEA supports the *Michigan Agenda for Nursing - Actions to Avert a Crisis*, and has sought to address specific concerns related to nursing education. Other news to come as WCCCD Nursing Program is an active partner with this organization.

CAMPUS PRESIDENTS' CORNER



- ◆ Truven Analytical, Oakwood Health Systems Community Health Needs Assessment Consultants conducted a focus group on what are the health needs of the community, and for the City of Taylor served by Heritage Hospital.
- ◆ The Learning Resource Center (LRC) orientation for students was this past week. The orientation covered on-line databases and printing materials on literature critical review of American novels. Student received training on basic library research skills to obtain variety resources to help them on their research paper of this course.
- ◆ Downriver campus hosted the Detroit Chapter and the Jack and Jill of America, Inc. Mid-Western Region Children's Cluster, mothers, teens and children. The cluster theme was Music Speaks, Live, Learn and Lead. More than 250 mothers, children and pre-teens (tweens) were in attendance. The tweens participated in a leadership activity that including becoming music producers; learning the design, marketing and distribution of R & B, Rap and Hip/Hop music. Presentations by the tweens ended with a demonstration of what was learned and their rendition of the Jack and Jill Hymn re-mixed.



- ◆ Photographer J. Forest took posed graduation photos of WCCCD's Class of 2013 for a Pre-Graduation Photo Day.
- ◆ Students were provided information and participated in financial aid workshop detailing the process to complete their financial aid required paperwork.
- ◆ Students were provided information and participated in a workshop and orientation about services provided by the Federal Work Study program.
- ◆ The University of Michigan Dearborn staffed an informational table and during the visit to the campus. They shared information about various educational opportunities for Wayne County Community College District students.



- ◆ The new bus stop shelter was installed at the Downriver Campus.

AUXILIARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

- ◆ The Facility and Auxiliary Services departments continue to work together to improve and address the facilities needs of our District. There have been substantial enhancements to the interior and exterior appearance of all campuses. Additionally, the installation of cameras and other safety measures have aided in improving the safety and security at the District.
- ◆ Recently, a new bus stop shelter was installed at the Downriver Campus. This will provide students with protective shelter especially from extreme weather conditions such as rain, wind and snow throughout the year.
- ◆ Currently, state-of-the-art electronic charges for cell phones, IPADS and other hand held devices are being installed throughout the District. This will enable students, staff, faculty and the community to have convenient charging stations at each campus. All of these enhancements and efforts are ongoing with one goal in mind....to improve the quality of services to our students and the District.

CAMPUS PRESIDENTS' CORNER



- ◆ The University Center hosted “The Right Turn Forum” sponsored by State Representative Brian Banks. Over 100 participants attended the forum which featured a panel discussion on resources available to community residents experiencing legal challenges and background issues. Several speakers provided additional information to the participants related to voter registration, educational and employment opportunities.



- ◆ Drs. Stephanie Bulger, Sandra Robinson and Randall Miller met with representatives from Central Michigan University to discuss partnership opportunities at the University Center. The representatives toured the University Center and were impressed with the number of university partners currently offering advance degree programs for the County residents.

- ◆ Drs. Debraha Watson, Stephanie Bulger and Sandra Robinson met with representatives from the University of Michigan Flint to discuss additional collaborations with WCCCD in the health sciences fields of study. The representatives toured the Health Sciences Building and the Larry K. Lewis General Education Building and were extremely impressed with the state of the art facilities and services available for community residents and students.
- ◆ The University Center hosted its quarterly meeting of the Eastside Advisory Council in Grosse Pointe at The Neighborhood Club, which provided lunch and a tour of its new facility. The Council members received updates from the program coordinators on the degree programs offered by the University of Detroit Mercy and Western Michigan University as well as District/community updates provided by Dr. Sandra Robinson and Dr. Julie Corbett.



WE GET LETTERS

On Wednesday, Tiffany Mendryga, participated in the University of Michigan School of Dentistry Research Day. She developed, implemented, and completed the evaluation of her study last year. She has continued to work with me on this project (after graduation) so that she could put it in both poster and manuscript format to make it possible to "share" her results with others. She did so publicly for the first time at Research Day. I am proud to let you know that she received the second place in the "Dental Hygiene" category! I know you have been tracking Tiffany's professional progress and know you will be as thrilled as I am about her accomplishment.

Kind regards, Anne Wozdek, University of Michigan

HEINZ C. PRECHTER EDUCATIONAL AND PERFORMING ARTS CENTER



The District's Heinz C. Prechter Educational and Performing Arts Center created and hosted a choreography residency with Giordano Dance Chicago, the premier jazz dance company in America, celebrating its 50th season. Dance students from various schools throughout the District were able to work with professional dancers from the company on a new piece of choreography to be presented as part of Giordano's main stage performance on April 20, 2013.



THE MICHIGAN INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY EDUCATION



- ◆ The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE) hosted the U.S. Customs and Border protection for a Use of Force Class.
- ◆ MIPSE held an Automotive Lab Safety and Security Procedures Workshop. Automotive students were given safety tips and learned of WCCCD's security procedures which were presented by Gil Solis, Safety and Compliance.
- ◆ MIPSE hosted the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary for their monthly meeting. General informational meetings to share information from the National and District levels, and relay information back up the chain of command.
- ◆ Wayne County Homeland Security – Local Emergency Planning Committee Meeting was held at MIPSE.
- ◆ MIPSE hosted the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) meeting presented by Wayne County Homeland Security. This group sets policy for Hazardous Materials within the county.

SCHOOL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Last week Shawna Forbes, Dr. George Swan, Adrian Phillips and Michael Poole met with Dr. Mary Visser, Dr. Chera Reid of MDRC, a national policy institute, and representatives from the National Poverty Center at the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy at the University of Michigan including Dr. Sheldon Danzinger, Dr. Peter Bahr, Kellay Slay and Tedi Anne Engler. The discussion focused on three opportunities to support a College to Career model at the District with support from the Global Challenge Fund at the university and other philanthropic organizations. With the intent to help career students complete certificates and degrees leading to employment, there is some optimism that this pilot may lead to successful replication on a national level.

On the Move...

- ◆ Congratulations! Our very own Elizabeth Ajayi has earned her Master's Degree in Organizational Management specializing in Organizational Leadership from Ashford University. We are impressed by your commitment to education. Great Job!
- ◆ Anthony Arminiak attended the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber (SWCRC) Board of Directors meeting. Mr. Arminiak serves as a Board of Director. SWCRC's mission is exists to improve the overall business climate for its members by undertaking action which stimulates economic growth, inter-business communication and member education and promotes legislative direction.
- ◆ Anthony Arminiak attended the Belleville Rotary club meeting, where he had the opportunity to promote the two District Heinz C. Prechter Educational and Performing Art Center events "Garden of Joy" and Giordano Dance Chicago.
- ◆ Ruth Opalewski and Kerri Barnett-Novack attended a Webinar: Build the Pipeline: Effective Disability Outreach and Recruitment, sponsored by Cornell University. Topics included the inclusion, hiring, and productivity of disabled workers locally and nationally.
- ◆ Kerry Miller attended the Ferris State University Open House at the University Center. Information was gathered to share with interested students.
- ◆ Steve Wildern, Theater Operations Dean attended the monthly meeting of the Wayne County Council for Arts, History and the Humanities held at the International Institute in Detroit's cultural center. Steve is a member of the council which is the umbrella organization that fosters awareness, growth and support of the arts, history and humanities, enhancing the quality of life in Wayne County.

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Women's History Teaching Resources

http://www.smithsonianeducation.org/educators/resource_library/women_resources.html

Women History- Library of Congress, National Archives, National Endowment of Humanities Collaboration Website

<http://womenshistorymonth.gov/>

DALNET (Detroit Area Library Network) Distinguished American Women Collection

Collection of freely accessible online e-books written by a variety of women throughout American history. Ninety titles from the 1830s to the 1920s, both fiction and non-fiction, comprise the collection.

[Distinguished American Women Collection](#) link- Collection may be accessed directly from online catalog using "Distinguished American Women Collection" as the search term.



DEFERRED MAINTENANCE



Wayne
County
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District



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Accountability & Transparency District-wide Deferred Maintenance

Deferred Maintenance

Downriver

- HVAC energy upgrade project (Expected completion in March 2013).
- Additional external security lighting needed. (Spring 2013).
- New light fixtures for LRC (In process)

Downtown

- New furniture and ceiling in the library (In procurement)
- New receptionist cubicles in the One Stop Shop (In process)
- New receptionist cubicles in the learning lab, room 239 (In process)

Eastern

- Heat system pump motor repair (In process)
- WCCCD Logo sign needs bulbs replaced (4/1/13)
- Boiler replacement/repair (Waiting on part)
- Elevator lift motor upgrade

University Center

- Expand stage in auditorium
- Marquee (In process)

Northwest

- Pavement at Welcome Center shipping and receiving area needs replacement (Spring 2013)
- South drive from west end of lot A to the east gate house entrance needs repaving (Spring 2013)

Western

- Marquee needs replacing
- Light pole banners need to be purchased and installed (In process)
- Flag pole repair (In process)

General Maintenance

Downriver—None

University Center—None

Western

- Interior and exterior lights need replacing
- Replace old/damaged ceiling tiles
- Ballast for marquee

Downtown—None

Northwest—None

Eastern—None