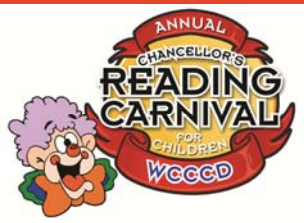


CHANCELLOR'S WEEKEND MEMO

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The Heinz C. Prechter Educational and Performing Arts Center hosted the Ballet Gala presented by Taylor Dance. The annual dance recitals feature classic ballet and folk dances performed by area students and dance company members. The four weekend performances were enjoyed by family, friends and members of the community. This weekend Taylor Dance will present its Jazz and Tap performances.



6th Annual Chancellor's Reading Carnival
Saturday, May 18, 2013
Downtown Campus 11:00am- 2:00pm

FOR MORE INFORMATION,
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EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS



Completion Agenda 2020

Academic advising is an important part of helping students complete their education. In an effort to improve student awareness of where they are in their program, the Division of Student Services will be implementing a self-directed advising tool called "Degree Works." Degree Works will help students figure out what career path best suits their educational interests, and help them build a schedule to complete their degree. The "I'm a Completer" T-Shirt initiative is scheduled to start when Degree Works is activated.



Starting in Fall 2013, WCCCD will be offering a new Associate of Applied Science Program in Biomedical Engineering Technology (BET). Healthcare facilities today depend heavily on technology to diagnose, monitor and treat diseases. The equipment and technology utilized are intended to improve the quality of healthcare. Students in the BET Program will benefit by gaining skills to make themselves competitive in the employment market as trends continue to require more technological training in the healthcare field.

Learning Resource Center

The LRC launched its new online catalog, Enterprise, this week. The online catalog has several new enhancements including the abilities to send an email of selected books and to send a text message of library items. Take a few minutes to check out the new catalog and look forward to additional features being added daily.

Summer 2013 LRC Hours

The Summer 2013 hours for the Learning Resource Centers have been posted to the LRC home page. Click on the desired campus to view summer campus hours, which begins Monday, May 20, 2013.

District-wide Spring 2013 Statistics Summary (January- April 2013)

Total Patron Served: 180,829

Total General Circulation Books Checkout: 2,203

Total Textbooks Checkout: 4,137

Library Orientations/Assignments helped provide 62 classes with 1,164 students

Total New Library Cards Activated: 1,095

Total Books lent to MeL (Michigan Electronic Library), Statewide Borrowing System in Michigan: 307

Distance Learning

Annette Black participated in the Blackboard Innovative Teaching Series webinar titled "Beginning, Middles and Ends: Motivating and Engaging Your Online Students." This webinar provided helpful hints on motivating and engaging online students.

On the Move...

CharMaine Hines and Dr. Charmaine Johnson attended the 2013 Power of Possibilities breakfast for the Children's Center in Detroit. The event emphasizes the significance of and support for human services needs for children and families in Metro Detroit.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The Division of Information Technology has rolled out 150 new computers at the Northwest Campus creating three new technology labs. The systems will aid in teaching and learning by providing current resources for instruction and academic excellence.

STUDENT SERVICES

SOUTHEASTERN HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR ADMISSION AND RECRUITMENT FAIR AT THE DOWNTOWN CAMPUS

The Office of Recruitment hosted an admissions and recruitment fair for the graduating senior of Southeastern High School. The event was designed to assist graduating seniors in their matriculation to WCCCD and gave them the opportunity to work one-on-one with admissions and registration staff, tour the Downtown Campus and meet with financial aid specialists.



Michigan College/University Partnership Update

Ten Michigan College/University Partnership (MICUP) students traveled to Michigan Technological University (MTU) to fulfill their obligation in a seven week internship. All expenses have been paid for by the MICUP grant. As interns, students will participate in a research project in their field of study under the direction of MTU faculty and graduate students. They will also experience university life at its fullest while taking a three credit college course and living on campus. Participating students are: Fadi Baydoun, Jamie Rose, Jason Biggs, Izabela Birsanescu, Denise Green, Cherno Jallow, Dominic Jennings, Pauline Samuels, Chinyelu Umeokolo, and Michael Williams.



Achieving the Dream

"Students who excel in Achieving the Dream Learning Communities strive to pass the same courses as everyone else. However, the diversity, teamwork and camaraderie make success in a Humanities 101 class possible for new and non-traditional students." says Adwoa Muwzea, Humanities Instructor for the Downtown Campus. "It helps too that there is a connection between the English 115 and the Humanities 101 teachers." "Christopher Czochara, English 115 Instructor, helped us with every assignment that we had to submit for our Humanities class," Aretha Rivers asserts. So when the class took a field trip to the Detroit Institute of Arts, they had a great experience and got a lot of input from Mr. Czochara in writing their first Humanities essay.



Front: Adwoa Muwzea, Humanities 101 Instructor.
Row 2 (L to R): Aretha Rivers, Eva Mojica, Vanessa Valdovinos, Karey Choice, Cortez Crawley and Edeeb Ali.

Go Wildcats!



The WCCCD golf team competed in the State Championship in Port Huron. WCCCD golfers, David Wilson and Joseph Felice qualified for the Regional Championship in Battle Creek, Michigan. They represented the District well and finished in sixth place.



Eastern Campus

The Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc held a Human Trafficking Awareness Workshop at the Eastern Campus. More than 50 parents and children attended a presentation about the growing epidemic in Detroit. Our Canadian partners have joined us in this fight to help protect our international border, and to work with local human rights advocates to 'stamp out' this social injustice.

ON THE MOVE...Dan Saunders attended the Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration training on continuous safety and health improvement.



The Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center

WCCCD, in partnership with the Grosse Pointe Public Library, sponsored a presentation and panel discussion titled "Detroit Future City." More than 350 participants attended this event held at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The panelists included Detroit Free Press Veteran Journalist and Author John Gallagher, George Jackson, President and CEO, Detroit Economic Growth Corporation, Dan Kinkead, Director, Detroit Future City Program Management Office and Laura Trudeau, Senior Program Director, The Kresge Foundation.



ON THE MOVE...

- ◆ Dr. Sandra Robinson represented the District at the monthly meeting of the Policy Committee of the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce. Dr. Robinson shared District news, notes and events including the latest legislative updates.
- ◆ Matt Puwal represented the District at the monthly meeting of the Harper Woods Champions Council Meeting. He shared updates from the District, the Corporate College at the Eastern Campus, the Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center and the dual enrollment program.

ADVANCING PATHWAYS FOR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

The Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center hosted a forum sponsored by State Representative Brian Banks titled "Advancing Pathways for Academic Achievement." Representatives from the community and local school districts, including Harper Woods and Grosse Pointe, attended the forum where participants discussed recommendations, suggestions and strategies for improving educational programs and services for area students.



ON THE MOVE...

- ◆ Brigitte June, Adrian Phillips and Brian Singleton attended the Michigan Occupational Special Populations Association Conference (MOSPA).
- ◆ Lina Warra and Angie Dayfield hosted Allen Park High School for a tour and information session about our programs and enrolling in the college.
- ◆ Diane Gonzalez attended the Community College Conference at University of Michigan Dearborn.
- ◆ Anthony Arminiak and Dr. Patrick McNally met with Donald Austin, Fire Commissioner and City of Detroit Human Resources to begin a process to recruit and streamline from our District EMT Program students to City of Detroit EMS and fire service jobs.
- ◆ Mr. Arminiak, Dr. McNally and Will Sampson met with Taylor School District Superintendent Diane Allen and Teresa Winnie to complete the final arrangements for 63 high school juniors to begin dual enrollment courses.
- ◆ Kerri Barnett-Novack, Lina Warra and Marjorie Harvey-Ross attended a luncheon for the Supported Education Program's (S.E.P.) Graduation Ceremony.
- ◆ Steve Wildern attended the second annual "Spark the Imagination" Breakfast.

Fish-n-Fun Day



The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education

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

- ◆ Operators from the Detroit Edison Fermi 2 Plant in Monroe County attended a fire brigade training workshop. They obtained updated training in fire extinguishers, foam application and fire extinguishing including the burn room.
- ◆ Members of Citizen's Emergency Response Team from around the county attended an animal response training seminar. Few people think about animals in case of a disaster. Participants learned why animal response is essential component of emergency preparedness, what supplies will be needed for the animals, preparing to response of handling animals, and how to resume operations after an emergency.
- ◆ Members of Detroit Edison energy generation plants attended a three-day training session to become members of the fire brigade at their plants. The training taught them fire patterns, when the fire has grown beyond their abilities and how to use fire extinguishers and self contained breathing apparatus.
- ◆ Another group of U.S. Customer and Border Protection members attended a four-day Active Shooter Training. The participants explored 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.



Active Shooter Training

Western Campus



The Western Campus hosted the first annual Boating Safety Awareness Seminar, facilitated by members of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Team. Families were able to take a guided tour of an emergency response vehicle by a member of the Huron Valley Ambulance Company.



Moses Andrade and his SPA 101 students took a field trip to Mexican Town in Southwest Detroit. They not only immersed themselves in the Latino culture, they experienced the food, music, businesses and the language. The students enjoyed the outing and provided a one page essay documenting and evaluating their experience.

FAMILY STRUCTURE: ENCOURAGE, EDUCATE AND DIRECT

Participants from Women Infant and Children, Northridge Church, Child Center of Disease Control, Van Buren Parks and Recreation, Romulus Recreation Center and Fathers and Coventry Cares Outreach partnered with the Western Campus for a workshop titled "Family Structure: Encourage, Educate and Direct." Topics of discussion focused on the effects of changing dynamics in the economy and how it has impacted families.

CELEBRATING OUR STUDENTS!

The Western Campus held a celebration for the Achieving the Dream students honoring them for their participation and dedication to the program. Instructors Delbert Gray and Michael Rich-Bey presented the students with Certificates of Participation.



THE SCHOOL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

ON THE MOVE...

Drs. George Swan and James Robinson attended the launch of the Detroit Workforce Jobs Alliance. This initiative is to facilitate connections between unemployed Detroiters, as well as workers who need additional skills, and the community-based organizations that offer the necessary skills training and access to companies dedicated to hiring the city's residents.

The School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development hosted State of Michigan representatives Dr. Cliff Akujobi, Manager and Sheree Price, Higher Education Consultant to provide in-service professional development opportunities in the area of special populations. Updates on disability legislation, innovative strategies of working with special populations, and Perkins V legislation were areas of discussion.



During the week of May 6 - 11, 2013 the District served 719 participants by partnering with 17 community organizations.



Northwest Campus

TOOLS TO BETTER NAVIGATE RESOURCES FOR FOSTER CHILDREN

The Northwest Campus, in collaboration with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Alpha Rho Omega Chapter, Families on the Move, and the Wayne County Department of Human Services hosted a workshop entitled "Tools to Better Navigate Resources for Foster Children – 2013." The workshop provided tools to help youth transitioning out of foster care and other organizations that support those youth to better navigate resources that are available to foster children. Participants were also informed about advocacy and support programs for foster parents.



Elton Albright, Admissions Specialist at Rochester College, met with students at the Northwest Campus to discuss program offerings to those interested in furthering their academic studies after receiving their associates degree.



Health Science Center

The Nursing Department Curriculum Committee held an all-day retreat this week. The purpose of the retreat was to review all course syllabi, address any curricular concerns, identify industry trends and integration in curriculum, discuss the appropriateness of content for specific courses, and identify initiatives for the coming term. Other issues addressed were the Gordon's Assessment, standardized testing schedules and catalog content for the Fall 2013 semester.



ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

The General Accounting Department has begun preparation for the Fiscal Year End Cycle. A college's financial health is the core of their existence and strategic alignment with the mission, vision, and direction of the institution. Assessing the institution's financial health and financial risk is a critical step in developing strategies and effectively managing institutional risk. Ratio analysis helps to manage, support, and align the institutions financial resources with the direction of the institution.

DISTRICT POLICE AUTHORITY

Members of the District Public Safety Department completed a 40 hour basic Mountain Bike Officer Course that was held at Macomb Advanced Police Training Facility and obtained a national certification from the Law Enforcement Bicycle Association.



Lieutenant Alexis Townsend represented the District at the Professional Experience and Career Information Day with students at Al-Ikhlās Training Academy. Their goal was to provide students with speakers who are excited about what they do and will help them start to see all the wonderful future possibilities that education creates for them.



INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS

Did you know? According to a National Student Satisfaction and Priority Report by Noel-Levitz, students at community colleges nationally identified the following important elements for attending a community college:

- Quality of instruction
- Knowledgeable faculty
- Intellectual growth
- Campus safety
- Variety of courses

Additionally, on the 2012 WCCCD New Graduate Exit Survey, graduates who responded to the survey indicated that they were most satisfied with the elements in the chart.

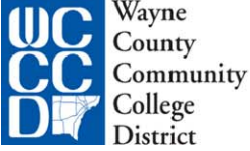
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Bookstore
Overall quality of instruction
Student records
LRC/Library
Learning Center

UPCOMING EXHIBIT AT THE BROWN AND JUANITA C. FORD ART GALLERY

K-12 Student Art Exhibition "Every Child is an Artist"

Downtown Campus Opening Reception- May 23, 2013 5:30-7:30pm

DEFERRED MAINTENANCE



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Deferred Maintenance

Accountability & Transparency



Final preparations and inspections are made for start up of new water cooled chiller at the Downriver Campus



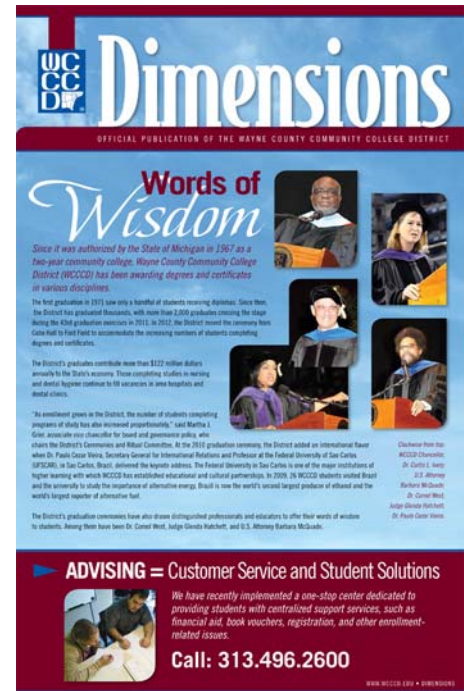
The Downriver Campus updated Learning Resource Center Light Fixtures



Upcoming Events

Teaching Strategies to Promote Critical Thinking
 May 18, 2013
 Northwest Campus

Computer Repair
 May 23, 2013
 Western Campus



Congratulations on an outstanding edition of Dimensions. I thought the publication was the right mix of excellent photographs, relevant copy, and excellent placement and use of white space. Well done! Dr. Randall Miller

