

## Continuing Education

### Silver Circles Program

The School of Continuing Education is pleased to partner with The Helm at Boll Life Center to offer Silver Circle courses. Course offerings include Ball Room Waltz, Spanish for the Traveler, Yoga for Seniors and Body Alignment.



Visit our website at [www.wccd.edu](http://www.wccd.edu) to view the new Fall 2021 Continuing Education Schedule!



Trustee Sharon P. Scott received her COVID-19 booster shot at the Ted Scott Campus.



Eastern Campus

## Campus Visits!



Eastern Campus



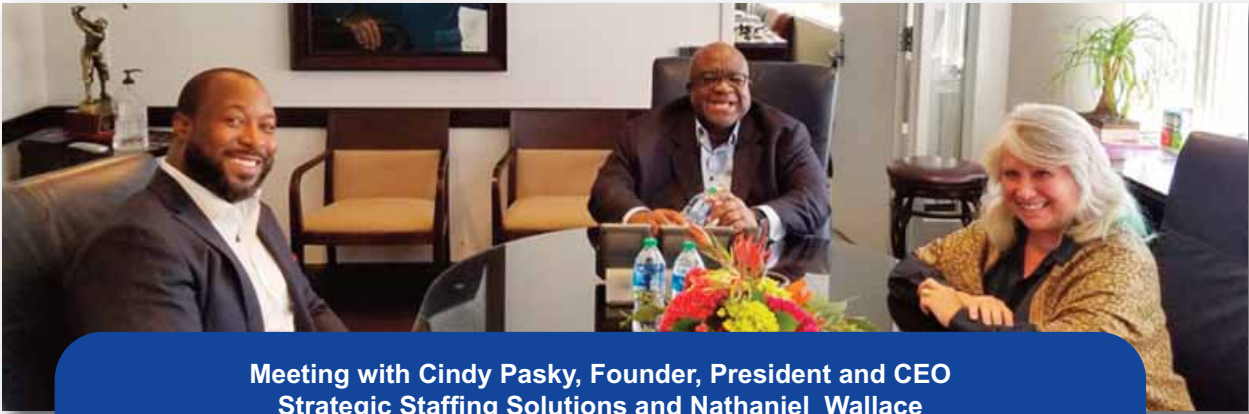
Mary Ellen Stempfle  
University Center



**Former Board of Trustee Chair  
Frank Hayden**



**Meeting with Godfrey Dilliard regarding  
the Procurement Audit Process**



**Meeting with Cindy Pasky, Founder, President and CEO  
Strategic Staffing Solutions and Nathaniel Wallace  
Director of Community and National Initiatives Program, Knight Foundation**



**Meeting with Attorney Michelle Hall  
to discuss potential services to adjudicated youth**



**Meeting with Sherry Gay-Dagnogo from the  
Detroit Public School Community District**



**Meeting with Attorney Al Nelson**

# WCCCD Partners with Choose Healthy Life and the Detroit Association of Black Organizations **Bookbag Giveaway!**



# Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus

## *Let us introduce Ms. Rollins!*

The Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus introduces one of the most determined, focused and hard working students of the year. Virgin Mary Rollins is an 86 year old seeking an Associates of Arts degree and has been a consistent student focused on completing her degree. Ms. Rollins deserves this recognition, as she is an inspiration and an admirable example for all students at Wayne County Community College District.



## PepsiCo Foundation Uplift Scholars Meeting

I have designated a leadership team to develop strategies that support the WCCCD Scholarship Committee in coordinating the WCCCD PepsiCo Foundation Uplift Program. I met with Karow Gordon, Ed.D, Donnell Mason, Denise Shannon, Unbreen Amir, Furquan Ahmed, Brian Singleton, and Johnesa Hodge to discuss recruitment, marketing, partnership building, and communication planning.



The team will continuously consult with the campuses, student services, financial aid, and institutional effectiveness to coordinate and evaluate the success of the WCCCD PepsiCo Uplift Scholars program to advance career pathways for underrepresented students.



Public Safety  
**HEROES**  
**OPEN HOUSE!**



Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education





# COVID-19 Special Unit

Michigan Institute for  
Public Safety Education



## WCCCD's Partnership with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Continues!

Our partnership with the MDHHS continues to provide our community with both COVID-19 vaccinations and testing. These services are offered at no cost to participants. Walk-ins are welcome.



**MISPE COVID-19 Task Force  
Contact Tracing**



**Personal Protection  
Equipment  
Distribution Continues  
District-wide!**



# Division of Workforce and Economic Development



## Outdoor Training Center Update

Final preparations are underway for the first training session to be held at the Outdoor Training Center. The training center is undergoing renovations, tree trimming, site clean up, grass cutting, fencing, and some pavement work in preparation for outdoor hands-on instruction.



The Civil Testing and Technician Bootcamp scheduled for October 18-22, 2021, is in conjunction with the Michigan Department of Transportation, Wayne County Labs, and the American Council of Engineering Companies. The bootcamp will provide participants with an orientation to civil technician and testing educational career opportunities.



## Civil Testing and Technician Bootcamp

Staff from the Division of Workforce and Economic Development met with Dr. David Beaumont to discuss curriculum updates and strategies for recruiting pending WCCCD engineering and tech students for the Civil Testing and Technician Bootcamp, and two-year associate's degree program.





## Wayne County Executive's Advisory Board Meeting



## Construction Trades Training Program (CTTP)

Students in the CTTP Program have begun the hands-on portion of training after having completed their OSHA 30 and First Aid CPR certifications.



## Fostering Futures Scholarship Grand Recipient

WCCCD student Jaeda Thompson, pictured with Monique Smith, was awarded \$3,000 for the academic year as a recipient of the Fostering Futures Scholarship. The Fostering Futures Scholarship provides scholarships to students who have experienced foster care on or after age 13.



# Detroit Police Department Graduation Ceremony

## Northwest Campus



## The Voice of Faculty Excellence

As the Vice Chancellor of the Division of Educational Affairs and my enduring commitment to the faculty and their learning environments, it is my pleasure to present to you “The Voice of Faculty Excellence.” ~ Dr. David Beaumont

### Martin Depowski



Professor Martin Depowski has been teaching Automotive Service Technology at WCCCD for 13 years and has been successfully employed in the Automotive Repair industry for over 40 years. Professor Depowski works diligently to give his students the academic and hands-on experience to be successful in the industry which has been so good to him, “I am humbled by students from all corners of life trusting me with their education.” His classes are project-oriented working on cars with real unscripted problems to be diagnosed and repaired in real time. “The sense of accomplishment students feel upon completion of an especially difficult project makes my job of teaching and retention of students that much easier.

Professor Depowski entered the automotive industry shortly after his high school graduation and went through a dealership provided apprenticeship program and attended Volkswagen and Mazda Factory Service Training programs. He became a Michigan State Certified Master Mechanic in 1980 and an ASE Certified Master Automobile Technician in 1984. He then went on to become a WCCCD alumni in 2011.

When Professor Depowski isn't in the classroom he frequently does consignment work for Raytheon performing field investigations on cars and trucks. He also spent 10 years as a small scale bio diesel producer which involved converting used cooking oil into a clean renewable form of diesel fuel. Other activities he enjoys is home brewing and fermenting.

#### Education/Certifications

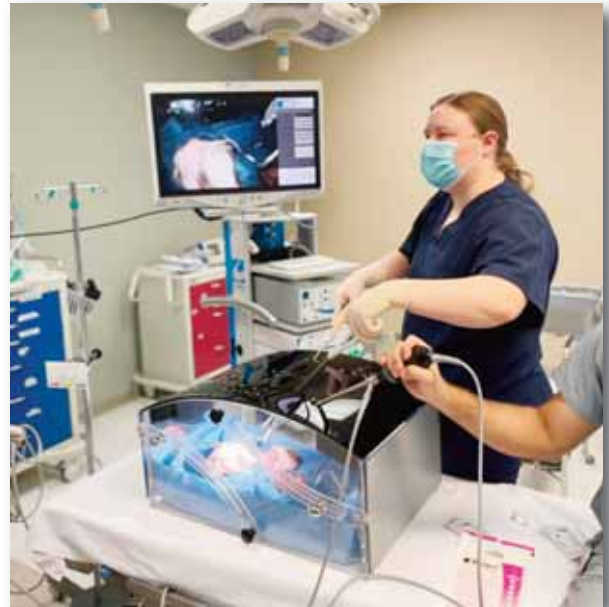
- ❖ Michigan State Certified Master Mechanic, 1980
- ❖ ASE Certified Master Automobile Technician, 1984
- ❖ Associate of Applied Science, Wayne County Community College District, 2011
- ❖ ASE Certified in Advanced Engine Performance and Hybrid and Electric Vehicles

#### Accomplishments

- ❖ Adjunct Faculty Member of the Year by TRENDS in Occupational Education, 2013



## Division of Educational Affairs

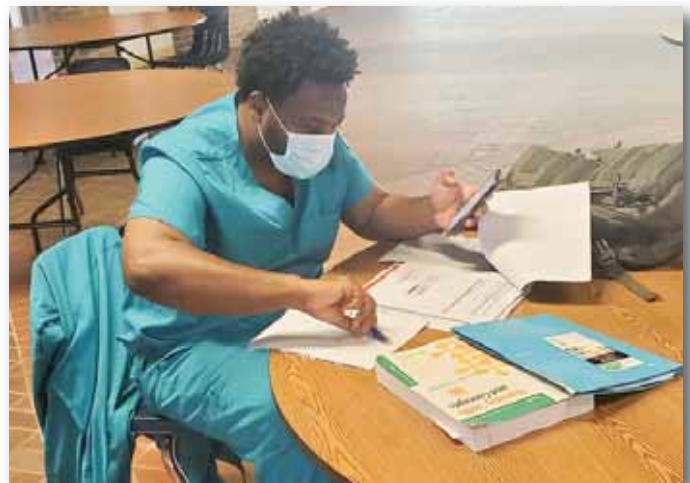


### Surgical Technology Program

Faculty member Lia Nagy facilitates training for Beaumont Hospital resident surgeons and surgical technology students.



Program Application Review Meeting



Practical Nursing Education Program

# Health Science Center

## Beaumont Hospital Tour

Abby Freeman, Ph.D. provided a tour to Beaumont Hospitals' Chiefs of Staff of Emergency Room Medicine, Family Medicine, Surgery and the Chief Operating Officer, as the surgery residents practiced in the WCCCD Operating Room. The group discussed future professional development for incoming residents in each department.





# Division of Educational Affairs

## Spring 2022 Virtual Faculty Selection



# Division of Educational Affairs

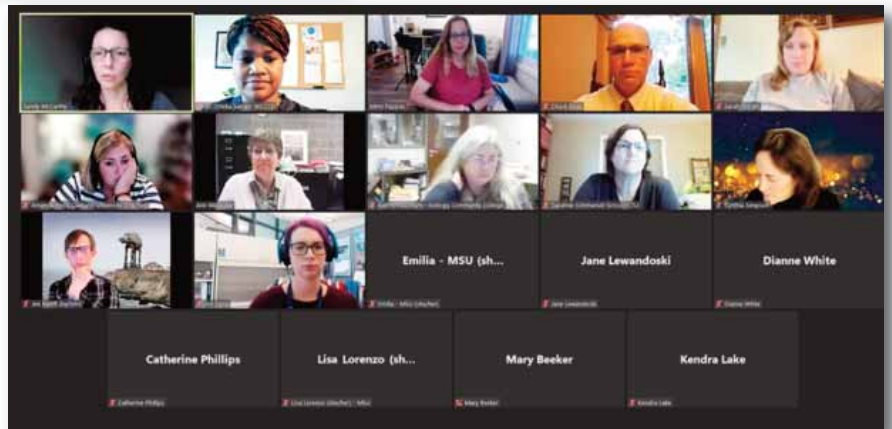


## Learning Resource Centers



Oneka Samet, Ed.D. participated in the DALNET Board Meeting. DALNET is a collaborative network of libraries which provide access to information across the region.

Dr. Samet and Tamara Ward participated in the Research Help Now virtual meeting to discuss participation in the Regional Virtual Chat collaborative.



## Achieving Credentials



Allan Cosma participated in the third *Credentials of Value* workgroup meeting with the Detroit Chamber and Detroit Drives Degrees to discuss industry needs to achieve credentials.

**Save the Date! Virtual District-wide Conference Day October 19, 2021**



# Division of Educational Affairs

## Instructional Council Meeting



The Divisions of Educational Affairs and Campus Operations hosted their joint monthly Instructional Council meeting.

## Curriculum Development



Staff from the Division of Educational Affairs met virtually with Denise Shannon to discuss post-COVID-19 computer information system and business curriculum development to support regional development.





# Division of Educational Affairs



## Distance Learning



Denis Karic virtually conducted distance learning faculty evaluation training for Division of Educational Affairs staff.

It is not too late to submit your applications for the Chancellor Annual Innovation Cycle!

Open until 11:59 p.m. October 1, 2021



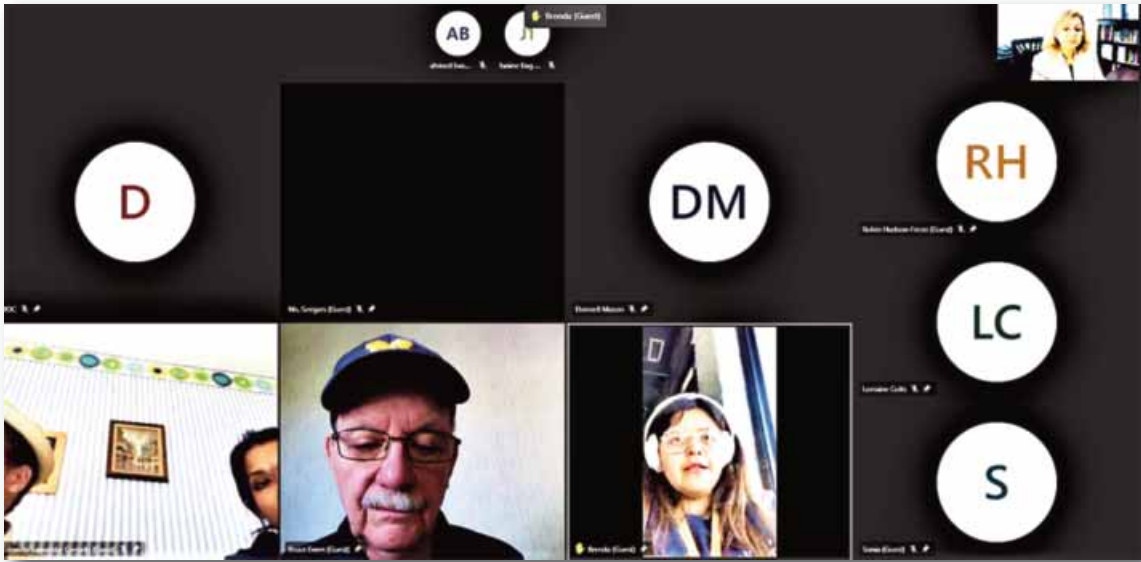
## Community Partnerships



CharMaine Hines, Ed.D. and Criminal Justice faculty members held a discussion with representatives from Wayne County to discuss joint initiatives in support of the community.

# DIVERSITY & INCLUSION

## *Virtual Intercultural Conversations*



### Celebrating National Hispanic Heritage Month 2021



We discussed the murals in Southwest Detroit that share family stories.



“My brain was a storm, then it just came to me. What inspires my murals is the stories, I like listening to what people have to say.”

ELTON MONROY DURAN~Artist



## Spotlight



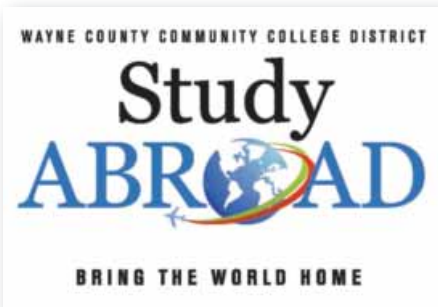
**Kaitlin Burke**

Kaitlin Burke came to Wayne County Community College District in 2015. “Initially, I was hesitant about going to a community college. I wanted to go to a university right away, however, this was more affordable. WCCCD was one of the few colleges that transferred credits to many of the universities I eventually wanted to attend. The process of transferring credits over was so easy, and I saved SO much money. Not to mention, many of the WCCCD campuses were close to my house.

I earned an Associate Degree in General Studies. The online system was easy to maneuver, which helped in finding out what classes I needed to still take to transfer over to another school. Today, I am currently an emergency psychiatric social worker at a local hospital. I have a Master’s Degree in Social Work, a Graduate Certificate in Drug and Alcohol Abuse Studies, and a Bachelor’s Degree in psychology, with a Minor in Sociology.

Attending WCCCD was one of the best decisions I have ever made and I always make sure to tell people that. WCCCD has shaped my career path in so many ways. WCCCD made it affordable to go, and the teachers were very accommodating. I feel more confident in my career knowing that I spent time learning about other cultures.

My favorite memory at WCCCD was by far the Study Abroad Program. I met the humblest and most goal-driven people that I have ever met. We all wanted to learn about other cultures and asked such important questions. We did not waste one minute of our free time, and really explored everything that we could. I will never forget the people that came on my trip, and I love hearing about all the exciting things we are doing nowadays.”





# Division of Student Services

## Functions of the Division of Student Services

The Division of Student Services works to assist all students in achieving their academic and learning goals by being available during all points of a student's educational journey.

Seven Functions of the Division:

- ❖ Admissions/Registration/Records
- ❖ Academic Advising
- ❖ Financial Aid
- ❖ Orientation
- ❖ Recruitment and Retention (Enrollment Services)
- ❖ Student Activities and Student Organizations
- ❖ Transfer (Articulation)



During the first week of the Fall 2021 semester, we welcomed students back to in-person learning with Dunkin Donuts gift cards!

# Division of Student Services



## Outreach in Our Community

What a wonderful way to start the school year off! The outreach team enjoyed handing out backpacks and school supplies to students from Noble Elementary School.



## Michigan Reconnect Program

Staff continued to audit student files for the Fall 2021 semester.



## Adult Education

Staff watched as the Michigan Association of Community Colleges Adult Education Director, Patrick Brown, discussed Governor Gretchen Whitmer's plan to invest in adult education. This ceremony kicked off Adult Education and Family Literacy Week.



# Division of Student Services



## Admissions and Records

Staff is currently posting degrees for students graduating in the Summer 2021 semester.

## Career Planning and Placement

WCCCD's Career Planning and Placement Office is pleased to announce the latest job postings available on the College Central Network Platform: Broadcast Engineer Technician, CNC Machinist, Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), Logistics Associate, Package Handler, Registered Nurse (RN), and Entry Level Marketing Consultant.



## International Students

Staff is reviewing the final list of all new international students for the Fall 2021 semester.





## Student Support Services

### Thank you TRIO Students!



WCCCD TRIO-Student Support Services (TRIO-SSS) continues to reach out to program participants by providing personal protection equipment and gift cards in acknowledgement for their perseverance and continued participation in program activities.



### Students Giving to Students!

Shout out to TRIO student Phyllis Edwards for her donation of 10 books to the TRIO Program! Her generous donation sparked staff to create a library in which students can donate their books and borrow books when needed.



### Fall 2021 Virtual TRIO Program Orientation

### Veteran Affairs

As Spring registration quickly approaches, the Office of Veterans Affairs continues to assist students with establishing and continuing their educational journey.





# Division of Student Services

## Student Activities

### Student Executive Council

Members of the Student Executive Council are planning their virtual participation in the National Student Government Summit with more than 600 student leaders from colleges across the country.



### Michigan College and University Partnership Program (MiCUP)

Students are reaching out ahead of time in anticipation for the upcoming MiCUP Meet and Greet being held virtually in October and November with Michigan Technological University. They will get all of their questions answered about the seven-week paid internship.



### 2021-2022 WCCCD Men's Golf Season Schedule

**October 1, 2021** WCCCD Invitational  
Lakes of Taylor 9:00 a.m.

**April 8, 2022** Oakland Community College Invitational  
Pontiac Country Club 9:00 a.m.

**April 25, 2022** Delta Community College Invitational  
Maple Leaf Golf Club 10:00 a.m.

**May 17-20, 2022** NJCAA Division II National Tournament  
Twin Hills Country Club Time-TBD



### Phi Theta Kappa Meeting





# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

*Please join me in congratulating Oneka Samet, Ed.D. on her new role as Associate Provost in the Division of Educational Affairs!*

## Building Community Relationships



Harvey Dorrah, Ed.D. and Kimett Hackworth met with Harper Woods Mayor Valerie Kindle to discuss future partnerships.



Anthony Arminiak and Muna Khoury participated in a Detroit Institute of Arts planning meeting.



Yvette McElroy Anderson, Ed.D. attended Congresswoman Brenda Lawrence's Coffee Hour.



Mr. Arminiak and Tim Durand participated in Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber Business Forum.



**October 28, 2021  
1:00 p.m.  
Virtual**

The Breast Cancer Awareness seminar is designed to provide the most relevant information on screening, prevention, diagnosis and therapy of breast cancer.

**Guest Speaker  
Cheryl Wesen, M.D.**  
St. John Providence  
Health System



### *Pink Thursdays*

Show your support by wearing “pink” throughout October. Email photos to [jfiglio1@wcccd.edu](mailto:jfiglio1@wcccd.edu) for the Weekend Memo.

### *Mammograms Save Lives!*

Call Ascension at (844) 757-6266 to register for your mammogram or call (586) 381-1603 for more information. Don't forget to mention WCCCD when you do!



## **Back by popular demand!**

**Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk  
Saturday, October 9, 2021**

WCCCD is partnering with the American Cancer Society to join the fight against breast cancer! To complete your online registration, visit: <http://main.acsevents.org/goto/WCCCDWildcats>. Please arrive to the Curtis L. Ivery District Office by 8:30 a.m. Group photo will be at 9:00 a.m.



# Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education



Fire Fighter Student Lab Session



Western Wayne Hazmat Training



# District Police Authority

## MIPSE Public Safety Open House

Corporal Matthew Wilds represented the District Police Authority at the MIPSE Public Safety Open House.



## 2021 Annual Security Report

Wayne County Community College District's 2021 Annual Security Report is now available!

The report includes crime statistics and information reported to the United States Department of Education.

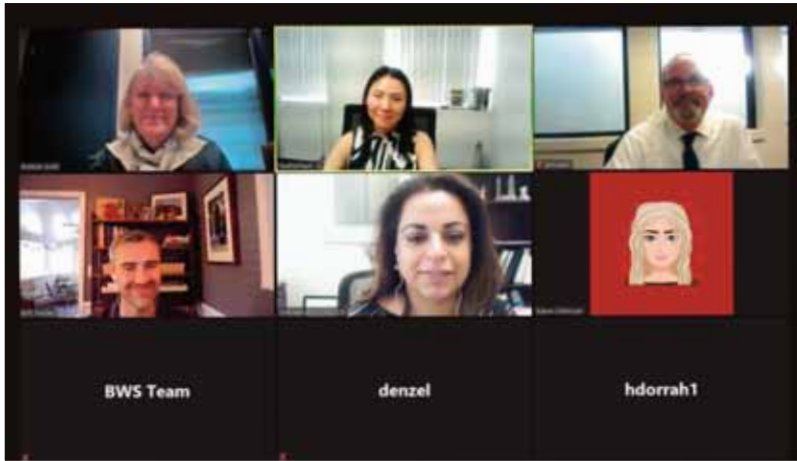
The report is available online at:

[http://www.wccd.edu/dept/pdf/CS/2021\\_Clery\\_Security\\_Report.pdf](http://www.wccd.edu/dept/pdf/CS/2021_Clery_Security_Report.pdf)

# Website Redesign Taskforce



The Website Redesign Taskforce met with the CMS vendor, Ingeniux, to review the tab and search wireframes as well as taxonomy filters for the new website. The taskforce also held meetings this week to review the site map and content matrix.



## Virtual Leadership Session

This week, our virtual leadership session for the website redesign project focused on reviewing content for the Division of Administration and Finance. This weekly dialogue provides us with feedback as we continue to move through the Content Phase of the website redesign project.





## Division of Information Technology

### District-wide Technical Support



The Division of Information Technology provided support for the Spring 2022 Faculty Selection at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus. Afterwards, the team met to debrief and share feedback for process improvements.



**Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center  
Auditorium ~New Projector Installation**



## DR. RANDALL MILLER SHARES LEADERSHIP THOUGHTS WITH EXECUTIVE TEAM



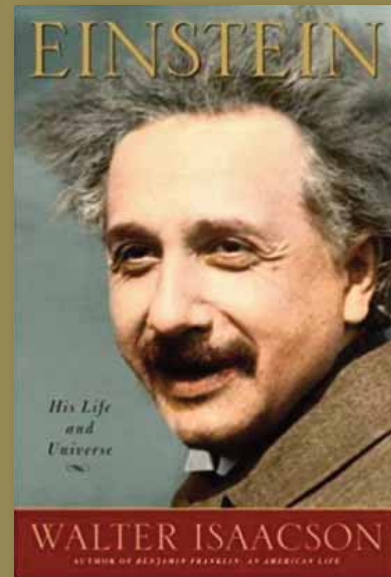
### *When to Say No*

Most of us want to be perceived as being agreeable and a team player. Consequently, I hear many reports from friends who say that they just need to learn to say no more often because they are overloaded with assignments, both at work and at home. There are some very important guidelines or ground rules to help us determine when we should say no.

Dr. Henry Cloud notes in his book, *Integrity*, that “the best way to solve a problem is not to have it to begin with.” He is speaking about having a “great immune system against getting into bad situations.” That immune system can and should be part of our character and serves as a buffer against situations or ‘opportunities’ that have too many negatives associated with them and don’t fit our values.

Performing due diligence before jumping into something or making a key decision should result in avoiding anything that involves a ‘cringe factor.’ If you are so uncertain about doing something because it causes you to cringe or makes you completely uncomfortable, then you probably should not do it.

Your character helps to define who you are, and it also can serve as the immune system against doing anything that violates your values. Failure to adhere to your values and to allow your immune system to do its job often will result in bad decisions that you will regret later. Sometimes the press of time contributes to those bad decisions, but we would be wise to pay attention to our internal signals that will tell us when to say no if we will just listen.



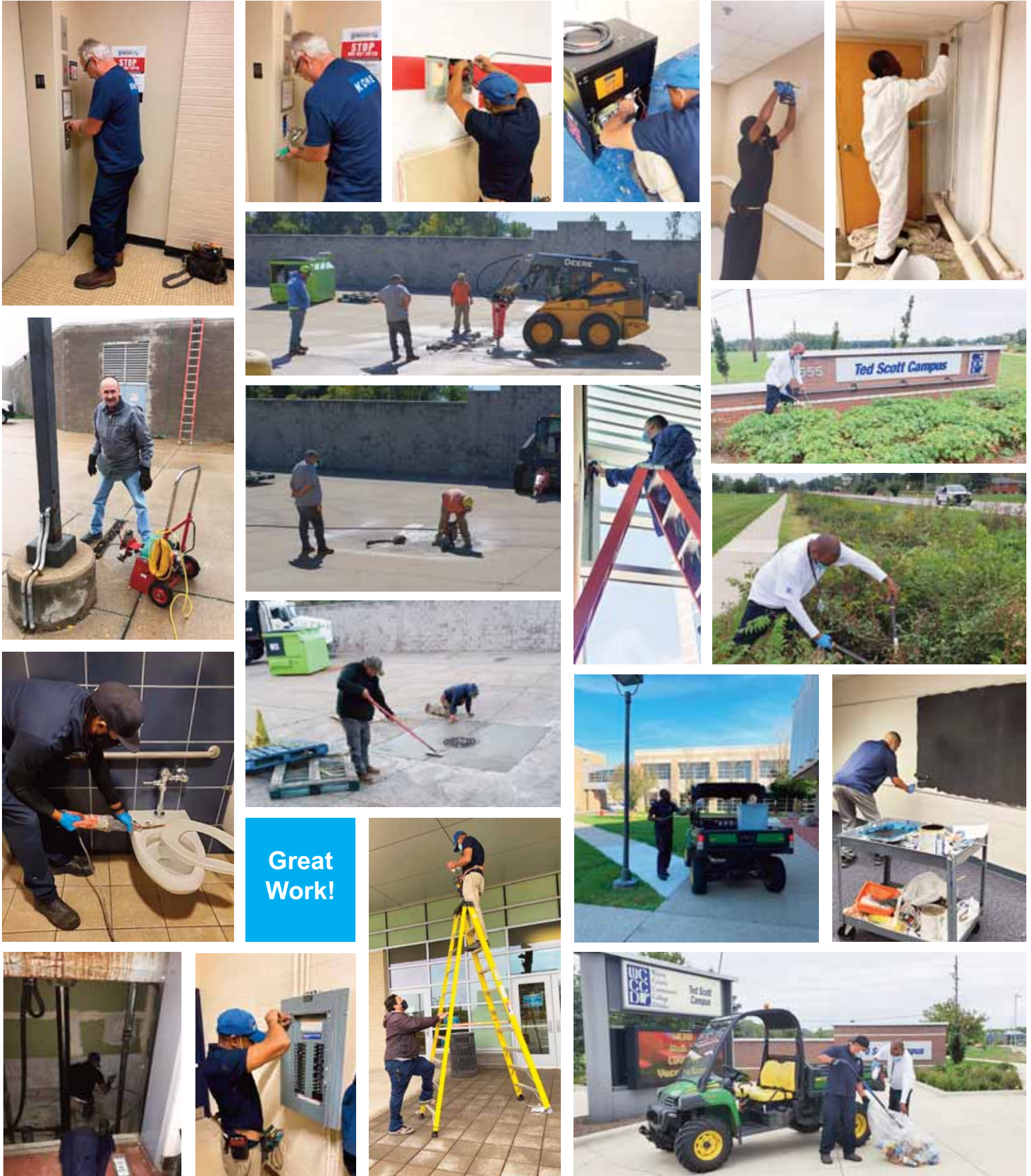
#### **Book Recommendation**

*Einstein, His Life and Universe*

by Walter Isaacson



# Facilities Management



Great Work!

# Custodial Services





## Health and Wellness Center Best Practice Site Visit

Mike Dotson traveled to Clermont County, Ohio to conduct a best practice site visit at the West Clermont HealthPlex. This health and wellness facility is a partnership between the Clermont County School System and the Mercy Health System.



# Downriver Campus



## Wayne County Sheriff's Department Jailors Training Graduation



# Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus



## Upcoming Job Fair

The team met to discuss the upcoming job fair scheduled at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus.



## Keeping our Equipment Top Notch!

Staff at the Health and Wellness Education Center participated in a training session from a Life Fitness equipment trainer to learn how to program, operate and maintain the fitness equipment.

## Community Partnerships

Michael Dotson provided a tour of the Health and Wellness Education Center for our Wayne County partners, faculty, and staff.



# Eastern Campus

## Welding Program

Professor Larry Fuciarelli's students are learning the fabrication and MIG welding process.



## Art 101

Students in Professor Francine Rouleau's drawing classes are learning how to draw the interior of a building using a vanishing point.



## Martial Arts Classes

Children and adults are learning the Alkebu-do form of martial arts through demonstrations and hands-on experience by Grandmaster Marvis Cofield.



## Introductory Biology

Professor Edwin Robinson's BIO 155 lab class is studying cell structure using the microscope.



## Student Services Staff Meeting

# Northwest Campus



**Student Success!**



**Internal Auditors  
Visit the  
Northwest Campus**



# Ted Scott Campus



Fall Graduation Application Review Meeting



Early Middle College  
Student Assistance





# Chancellor's Weekend Memo



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## **Mission**

WCCCD's mission is to empower individuals, businesses, and communities to achieve their higher education and career advancement goals through excellent, accessible, culturally diverse, and globally competitive programs and services.

## **Vision Statement**

WCCCD will be known as a premier community college and innovator in the areas of high quality academic and career education, talent development in support of regional economic growth, diversity and inclusion, and technological advancement.

## **WCCCD's Values Statements:**

- Supporting excellence in teaching and learning
- Honoring diversity
- Serving the common good
- Being accountable
- Operating with integrity

