

# Chancellor's Weekend Memo



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August 10-16, 2024

We were pleased to have Dr. John Selmon, President of Muskegon Community College, join the Senior Leadership Team for an engaging meeting on the future of higher education. Dr. Randall Miller did an excellent job in facilitating the session.



Dr. Randall Miller



Dr. John Selmon  
President,  
Muskegon  
Community College





**Chancellor's Cabinet Meeting**



**Students Meet with the Chancellor**

Meeting to discuss educational partnership opportunities for the Water and Environmental Technology Program.



**Gary Brown**  
Director of Detroit Water and Sewage Department



### **Career and Employment Pathways is Everyone's Job**

A report on career pathways for students by CCSSE, 2023, highlighted how students rely on multiple stakeholders to help guide them in choosing a career path including instructors, advisors, counselors, friends, families and current employer.



*Continuing Education*

Dr. Yvette McElroy Anderson greets Congresswoman Rashida Tlaib, who spearheaded a vital conversation on the burden of medical debt, alongside CFPB Director Rohit Chopra and other notable figures at the **Northwest Campus**.

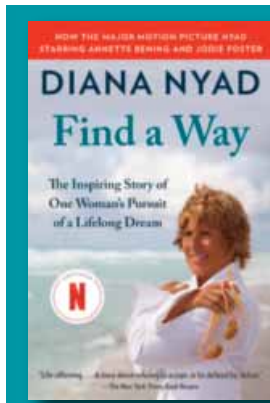


# DIVERSITY EQUITY & INCLUSION

## Virtual Intercultural Conversations



At this week's Virtual Intercultural Conversations, we discussed National Civility Day: Embracing Kindness and Respect. We also discussed the book, *The Secret Life of Saeed: The Ill-Fated Pessimist* by Emile Habiby.



During the Fall 2024 semester, we will be reading *Find a Way* by Diana Nyad. This epic story follows this legendary marathon swimmer through five attempts over four years, accomplishing her most ambitious career goal in pursuit of a seemingly impossible dream, after a three-decade retirement.



# Division of Student Services



**Command Center**  
The Command Center continues to reach out to students in preparation for the Fall 2024 semester.



## TRIO STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Madison Johnson proudly displays her TRIO swag as she is gearing up for the fall semester. Madison participates in the TRIO and MICUP programs. She aspires to complete her Associate of Science Degree at WCCCD, continue her studies at Michigan Technological University and one day become a medical doctor.



Donald Farago signed his Letter of Intent to play for WCCCD golf team for 2024-25 season as Coach Mayes looks on. Wildcats golf team will have their first match in September at Kirtland Invitational in Grayling, Michigan.

# Let's Go Wildcats!

# Division of Student Services

## Outreach and Recruitment



## Federal Work Study

The Federal Work Study Office continues to assist students in completing their application for the Fall 2024 semester.



## Student Success

### Dual Enrollment

Yalon Temple, a dual enrollment student and 2018 graduate, now enjoys working in a neurological office.

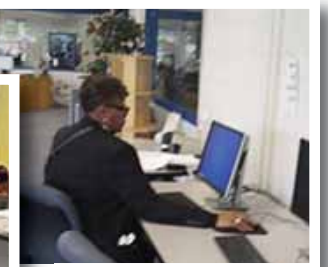
## Professional Development

The Division of Student Services hosted representatives from Wayne State University's Transfer Success Center for the weekly Information Session. The presentation highlighted the "Transfer Pathways" signed into agreement between the two institutions. WCCCD students are offered transfer opportunities to WSU in the areas of Business, Social Work, Criminal Justice, Urban Studies and Public Health.

# Division of Student Services

## Student Success!

Preparing Students for the First Day of Classes on August 26, 2024



# Program Highlight

## Study Abroad Program

WCCCD's Study Abroad Program provides students with an exemplary international experience and global citizenship, which is required today by employers for cultural diversity. The lives of WCCCD students have been touched firsthand through exposure to foreign languages, cultures, values, socio-economic issues, and the standards of living with people from around the world.



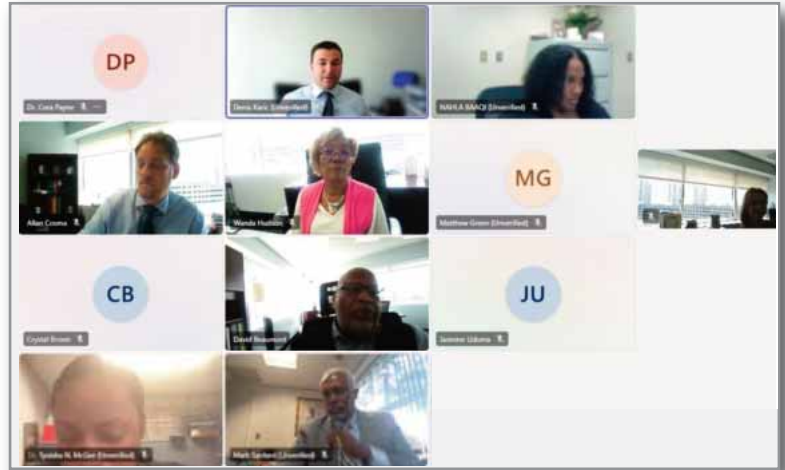
Students just returned from Morocco in July!



# Division of Educational Affairs

## Instructional Council

The Instructional Council convened academic administrators across the District to receive updates on key performance indicators (KPIs), Carl Perkins updates and discuss preparations for the Fall 2024 semester. Professional development opportunities, including Faculty Organization Day and Teaching and Learning Center (TLC) First Fridays, were also discussed.



## ACTE Summer Leadership Conference

Educational Affairs team members attended the Michigan ACTE Summer Leadership Conference, where they gathered valuable insights from guest speaker Quentin Messer Jr., who serves on Governor Whitmer's cabinet and is associated with the American Center for Mobility. Key themes discussed included the potential for career and technical courses to fulfill high school graduation requirements in areas such as math, science, world languages, and the new finance requirement.



## Faculty Discipline Leads

The Division of Educational Affairs team met with the faculty discipline leads this past week. Opportunities to help shape Faculty Organization Day were discussed, as well as Educational Affairs' updates heading into the Fall 2024 semester.





# Division of Educational Affairs



## Community Discussion

The District team met with community members from Inkster to discuss collaborating on an early intervention effort.



*Artificial intelligence has transformed the teaching-learning process in education!*



## Faculty Organization Day: August 24, 2024

**Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus**

*Theme: Navigating Learning in the New World of Artificial Intelligence*

*Featured Speaker: Dr. Monique Umphrey,  
Provost/Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic and  
Student Affairs, Austin Community College District*

## Happening Now!

### Connecting Minority Communities (CMC) Grant Update

The CMC Grant team, Workforce Development and Administration and Finance staff met to share grant status updates.



### Faculty Convocation Preparation

Staff met with external vendor to discuss audiovisual requirements for Faculty Organization Day.



### IT Staff Meeting

In preparation for the fall classes, staff met to discuss:

- Extended Help Desk/Campus support hours
- Financial Aid Marathon
- Faculty Organization Day
- Classroom technology and software needs

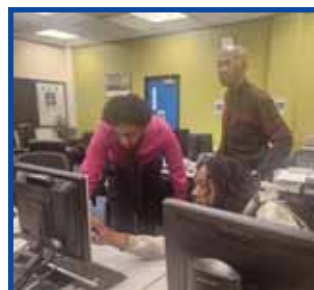


Staff met to address a range of topics, including infrastructure support and system upgrade architecture and design. The team focused on initiatives such as Microsoft 365 Self-Service/Single-Sign-On, and cybersecurity infrastructure upgrades.

### Bi-weekly Strategic Initiatives Meeting

### Preparing for the Start of Classes

Staff at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus is getting ready for the Fall 2024 semester by providing support services to faculty and staff. They are evaluating and updating the hardware, software, and technology-related services as necessary.



# Program Highlight

## Dental Hygiene and Dental Assisting Programs

Students in the Dental Hygiene and Dental Assisting Programs are gaining hands-on experience with expert faculty in the Health Science Center at the Northwest Campus. In addition to developing skills in patient care, dental procedures and oral health education, students are learning the techniques to excel in their roles as vital members of the dental care team.





## Weekly Continuing Education Enrollment

July 29, 2024 – August 10, 2024

Curtis L. Ivery  
 Downtown Campus  
 599

Downriver Campus  
 191

Eastern Campus  
 139

Northwest Campus  
 1,506

Ted Scott Campus  
 387

Mary Ellen Stempfle  
 University Center  
 20



## Brown and Juanita C. Ford Art Gallery



Artist Jeff Cancelosi provided a lecture and demonstration to faculty, staff, students, and community members on various photography techniques.

## *In the Mail...*

*"I'd like to express my appreciation and gratitude for the excellent assistance and timely responsiveness I've received through the years from individuals employed in the School of Continuing Education (CE), namely Melodie Bunkley, Andre Jackson, Tonya Seegars, and the supporting CE staff. They have always provided professional, friendly, and responsive assistance when contacted with a problem or concern.*

*I graduated from Wayne County Community College District and have worked as a professor since 2002. I appreciate that the college employs individuals who partner with them to achieve its mission statement goal of 'empowering individuals, businesses, and communities to achieve their higher education and career advancement goals through excellent, accessible, culturally diverse, and globally competitive programs and services.'*

*I wanted to express my thoughts because I believe appreciation should also be expressed as encouragement and positive feedback."*

~Professor Sandra Simmons

# Continuing Education

The Local Detroit Firefighters Commission recently completed training on essential high-level skills at the **Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus**. The training workshops were designed to enhance their abilities to assist in fire suppression.



The **Ted Scott Campus** hosted Wayne RESA's UFLI Foundation's Training Day 1-2 Workshop.



The **Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center** hosted the Detroit Area Agency seminar to provide opioid awareness to staff, providers and older adults.

The **Northwest Campus** welcomed teachers from Old Redford Academy onto campus this week. We continue to strengthen our partnership and inform their students and teachers about the opportunities available at WCCCD.



The **Northwest Campus** hosted the Ken Scott seminar which provided information and resources regarding home ownership and real estate.





# Division of Workforce and Economic Development

## Construction Trades Training Program



This week, the Construction Trades Training Program marked the successful completion of a productive six weeks of training.

## Culinary Arts Program

Chef Lorenzo Spratling provided instruction to new students in the Culinary Arts Program.



## CMC Grant Update Meeting





## Division of Administration and Finance

### Grant Compliance Meeting

Members of the Division of Administration and Finance met to discuss grant compliance strategies. Meeting highlights included:

- ♣ Effective financial management and documentation
- ♣ Timely and accurate reporting
- ♣ Strong internal controls
- ♣ Proactive monitoring and evaluation





# DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

## OFFICE OF FACILITIES PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

Deputy Chancellor/CFO Kim DiCaro continues to work with the Facilities Management Team to enhance the delivery of our services across the District. The Office of Facilities Planning and Management serves the District by developing and maintaining clean, safe, functional, and attractive campuses. This office has a diverse range of functions. Some of these include:



PLANNING AND  
CONSTRUCTION/  
PROPERTY  
MANAGEMENT



MECHANICAL  
SYSTEMS  
MAINTENANCE



MANAGEMENT OF  
EXTERIOR AND  
INTERIOR ASSETS



STUDENT  
APPRENTICESHIP/  
INTERNSHIP PROGRAM



We continue to make progress with the pavement maintenance and the Ted Scott Campus restrooms renovation projects.

# DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

## OFFICE OF FACILITIES PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT



### DEPARTMENTS INCLUDE:

#### BUILDING MAINTENANCE

- BUILDING SERVICES
- CAMPUS SERVICES
- DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION
- ELECTRICAL SERVICES
- ENERGY SERVICES

#### GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

- HVAC MANAGEMENT
- LIGHTING AND SAFETY MAINTENANCE
- MECHANICAL SYSTEMS

#### PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

- RECYCLING OPERATIONS

Facilities members replaced lighting fixtures and continued maintenance of the landscaping at the Ted Scott Campus.



The Downriver and Eastern Campus parking lots were sealcoated and restriped.



The Downtown Campus facilities staff is preparing for the Fall 2024 semester ensuring the physical state and operations of the campus, including all buildings, grounds, and utilities to provide a safe, healthy, and comfortable environment for students, faculty, and staff.

# Pakistani American Festival

## Northwest Campus

The School of Continuing Education, in partnership with the American Pakistani Community Alliance, hosted the 77th Annual Pakistan Independence Day Festival at the Northwest Campus, featuring a variety of educational and cultural activities aimed at educating participants about Pakistan's rich history and heritage.





## Building Community Relationships



Staff represented the District at the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber Taste of Downriver.

Muna Khoury attended the Belleville Central Business Community month meeting.



## Scholarship Committee

The WCCCD Scholarship Committee met this week to finalize the awarding of scholarships for the 2024-2025 academic terms. We appreciate the gifts from donors to support the financial needs of our students.





# Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center



## University Partnerships

Since the initiation of our partnership with Ferris State University, more than 135 WCCCD students have proudly graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice degree, a true testament to the enduring success and positive impact of our Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center partnerships with colleges and universities. This achievement reflects WCCCD's sustained dedication to providing accessible and quality education opportunities for aspiring individuals in our communities.



## Educational Partnerships

Denis Karic and Kimett Hackworth met with Alicia Carlisle, Founder of Michael B's to discuss course offerings for the upcoming Fall 2024 semester. Michael B's, is a non-profit organization serving those with special needs in the Grosse Pointe community and beyond.

# Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus

## Detroit Youth Summit

The Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus hosted the Detroit Youth Summit, an annual event aimed at empowering and inspiring the next generation of Detroit leaders. The workshops provided a platform for young participants to voice their ideas and explore opportunities within the city by engaging in discussions with Detroit leaders and their peers.



## Physical Therapist Assistant Program



WCCCD hosted an orientation workshop for new students in the Physical Therapist Assistant Program.

# CURTIS L. IVERY HWEC

Health & Wellness  
Education Center



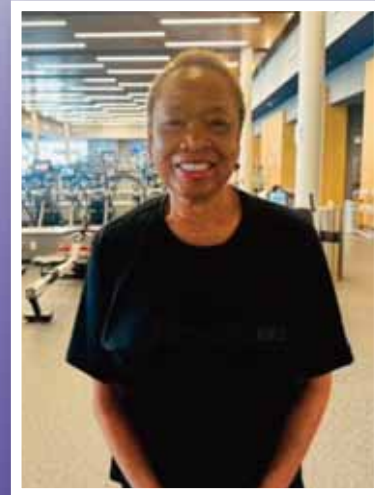
## Fall Preparation Meeting

The HWEC staff met to review processes and procedures in preparation for the start of the Fall semester and the 2024/25 basketball season.



## Spin Class

Members enjoy the high intensity of our electrifying Spin class that helps to build endurance and strength with an amazing view from the HWEC terrace.



## Member Spotlight

Yola is one of our high-achieving seniors who joined when the HWEC initially opened. She enjoys doing our morning group fitness classes and can always be seen with a bright smile! Yola likes that she can meet new people and see people that she's known for years. The positive environment and community in the HWEC keep her coming back.

# Downriver Campus



Fall 2024 Paramedic Cohort Orientation

## U.S. Customs and Border Protection Family Outreach Program

The Downriver Campus hosted U.S. Customs and Border Protection for its Family Outreach Program. Participants enjoyed various workshops, family activities consisting of yoga and meditation, chair massages, therapy dogs, K9 demonstrations, music and more.







WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



**MICHIGAN INSTITUTE for  
PUBLIC SAFETY  
EDUCATION**



Staff met with representatives from the Downriver Career and Technical Consortium to discuss classroom layouts for the new building.



## U.S. Customs and Border Protection Mobile Field Force Training

The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE) hosted United States Customs and Border Protection for Mobile Field Force.



## FERMI Radiological Emergency Preparedness (REP) Exercise

FERMI, in collaboration with the Downriver HazMat Team, held a Radiological Emergency Preparedness (REP) Exercise. This is a biennial federal requirement that will test Wayne County's Emergency Operation Plan and procedures.



## Lifeline Ambulance - Coaching Emergency Vehicle Operations (CEVO)

MIPSE hosted Lifeline Ambulance for a Coaching the Emergency Vehicle Operator (CEVO) training course. The course provided hands-on opportunities to evaluate each student's driving abilities.

# Eastern Campus

## Program Highlight

## Product Development Prototyping

Students in the Product Development Prototyping Program are engaging in hands-on learning that combines creativity with cutting-edge technology. In addition to developing practical skills in digital design, they are preparing for innovative careers in various industries.



# Northwest Campus



## Basic Life Support Training

In preparation of the start of the 2024 Fall semester, the Nursing Department held a Basic Life Support (BLS) training session for students in the Health Science Center. BLS certification is one of the admission requirements for the Nursing Program.



## DENTAL PROGRAM

The Dental Department held a mock exam for students. The exam prepares students to sit for the RDA state credentialing exam.



# Chancellor's Weekend Memo

## 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

