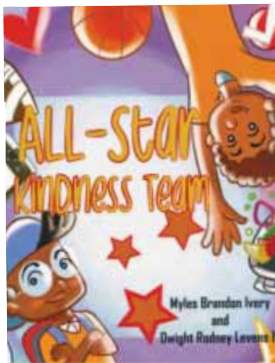




## *Charmed Etiquette Series*

The Bookworm Club presented a Charmed Etiquette Series continuing education program for third graders from Cesar Chavez Academy. Led by Tameka Mongo, Aracely Hernandez, and Chef Lorenzo Spratling, the program included a reading of *The All-Star Kindness Team*, focusing on teamwork and respect.



# Mobility Initiative



Members of the WCCCD Executive team met with John Graves to discuss upcoming programming and events focused on the mobility sector. The conversation covered industry trends such as electric vehicles and charging stations, and their impact on this evolving field. Additionally, there was further discussion regarding the 25th Annual Rainbow PUSH Global Automotive Summit, including topics to be presented at the conference in collaboration with WCCCD.

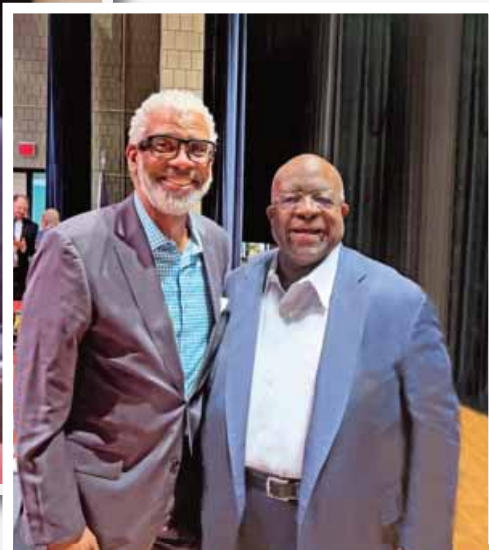
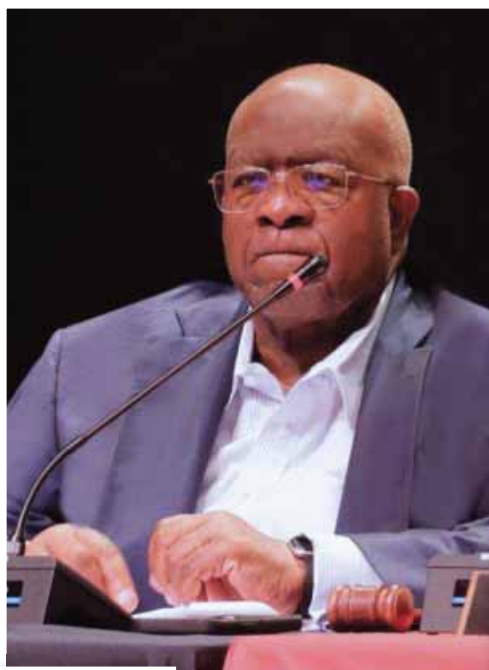


# Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation Board of Directors Meeting

I participated in the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation's (SMART) Board of Directors Meeting.

Agenda items included:

- Chairman and General Manager's Reports
- HR Hiring Update
- Quarterly Ridership Update



## Global Community College Leadership Network

*GCCLN is an international organization working with community colleges globally.*

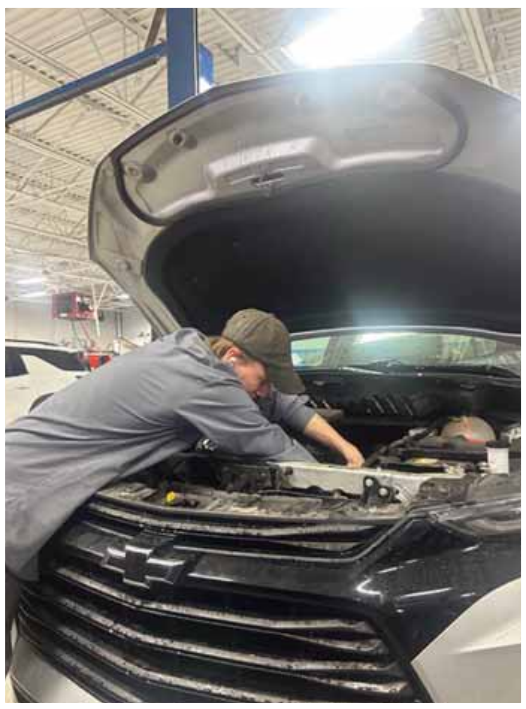
I participated in the Global Community College Leadership Network's (GCCLN) Fall Meeting. Agenda items included:

- Cultivating a Futures Mindset
- Embracing the Next Era of Higher Education
- Community Colleges and Public Partnerships
- Rethinking Leadership, Students, and our Value Proposition

GCCLN was founded in 1989 to create an open exchange of ideas among educational leaders around the world. Its mission is to promote ongoing organizational vitality and improvement, specifically for two-year college leaders and institutions. WCCCD will host the Fall 2025 meeting.

# ~Student Success~

## Alumni Spotlight



Nathan Anderson, a WCCCD Alumnus, has successfully established his career after graduating magna cum laude with an Associate of General Studies and ASE Automotive Certifications.

Nathan is currently an Automotive Technician working at Bates Chevrolet in Woodhaven, Michigan. He is state certified in brakes, engine repair, engine performance, steering and suspension, HVAC and electrical. Nathan had this to say about his education, “WCCCD was my pathway to develop my skills and passion for auto mechanics. I enjoyed my experiences and opportunities to learn from my instructors in practical hands-on situations.”

Former WCCCD Student Executive Council Representative and Student Services Intern, Canon Mongo is a junior majoring in Political Theory at Michigan State University, James Madison College. Her work with the ONE Campaign provided her the opportunity to engage with prominent political figures, including Governor Gretchen Whitmer, U.S. Representative Elissa Slotkin and Vice President-Elect candidate Tim Walz. We wish Ms. Mongo great success in all her future endeavors and look forward to seeing the positive impact she will make.



# DIVERSITY EQUITY & INCLUSION

## DEI Programming Fosters Inclusion and Enhances Cultural Awareness

WCCCD's ongoing Diversity, Equity and Inclusion programming aims to foster inclusivity, enhance cultural awareness and promote advocacy within the community through workshops, diversity field trips, cultural programs, and book discussions.

## Program Highlight



## MEET THE INSTRUCTOR



**Dr. Janisse Green** is a Detroit native and alumnus of both WCCCD and Wayne State University. She provides instruction for a variety of continuing education courses which include MS Office, Silver Circle, Project Management and Entrepreneurship. Dr. Green is committed to volunteering and mentoring teens, college students and career-minded professionals.

SILVER CIRCLE

The School of Continuing Education held a "Get Crafty" workshop. Participants learned about basic crafting techniques, DIY projects and seasonal crafts.





## Michigan Immigrant Youth Conference

The Downriver Campus hosted the Michigan Immigrant Youth Conference. This program highlighted the natural process of immigration and the inherent strength it builds in immigrant youth.



### About Me

- Born in Bhutan
- Raised in a refugee camp in Nepal
- Moved to the US in 2008
- Currently work at the Office of Global Michigan





# Campus Life Across the District





# FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

## Dr. Diana Gellci ~ Anthropology



**How I fell in love with the discipline:** I was one of those unlucky people who never heard of Anthropology until searching for a master's program. I remember I received information booklets from different departments at Wayne State University. It was an instant click: Not only did I feel so ready for a new discovery, but I also felt I would never be alone. My professors soon became my colleagues.

**Education:** Ph.D. in Business and Organizational Anthropology Wayne State University (WSU), MA in Cultural Anthropology (WSU), Graduate Certificate in Online Teaching (College of Education, WSU), and a BS in Economics (UT, Tirana).

**What are you most excited about in the upcoming semester regarding your course(s)?** I am working on creating a lab for our Physical Anthropology course so students can observe the physical similarities and differences among primates.

**Three things people may not know about me:**

1. I love writing poetry
2. I used to work in a bank
3. I have been married for 35 years to a person I first met when we were both 14 years old

**When did you know you wanted to teach?** I have always been eager to learn and teaching just came naturally to me. As a little girl I used to play classrooms with my friends and share the stories my mother read for me before I went to bed. We didn't have many books during that time, so sharing those little stories with them always made me feel special.

**How long have you been at WCCCD?** 20 + years

**What is your favorite thing about working at WCCCD?** The college is diverse and has positive vibes.

**Do you have any advice for current or prospective students?** Travel the world to find yourself.

**Who inspires you?** My father. He was only seven years old when he had to walk 14 kilometers (8.7 miles) to go to school and return back home every single day for six days per week and he never missed a day. He finished high school with a golden medal, became a medical doctor and then returned to the same area, serving people with high devotion and commitment for the rest of his life.



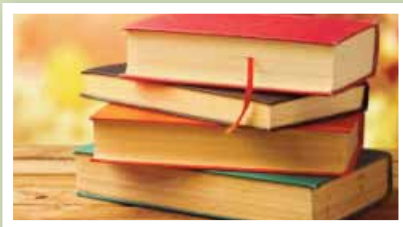
## Division of Educational Affairs

### Textbook Meeting

Staff from the Divisions of Educational Affairs and Administration and Finance met to discuss textbook needs for the upcoming Spring 2025 semester. The meeting focused on ensuring faculty and students have access to necessary course materials.



## *Learning Resource Center*



The Directory of Open Access Books (DOAB) offers approximately 68,000 peer-reviewed, free academic books across various disciplines, including science, humanities, social sciences, and allied health sciences.



This week, Stephanie Jones and Matt Green met to discuss opportunities to update the collections and offerings of library services to the students at the Ted Scott Campus.



### Hamtramck High School Students

Dual enrollment students from Hamtramck High School participated in a hands-on culinary training exercise.

# Program Highlight

## Mechatronics Technology Provides Cutting Edge Training at Eastern and Ted Scott Campuses

The Mechatronics Lab at the Eastern Campus is providing students with the latest in high-tech training related to mechanical systems, sensors, automated machinery and robotics technology.



The Division of Educational Affairs held a Mechatronics (MCT) and Robotics equipment refresher training session for MCT faculty in preparation for the upcoming Spring and Summer schedules. This training was connected to the recent equipment upgrades in the Ted Scott Robotics Lab. FANUC, based in Rochester, Michigan, conducted the refresher for faculty.

# DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

## OFFICE OF FACILITIES PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

### Weekly Facilities Updates

The Facilities Management Team continues to develop and maintain clean, safe, and attractive campuses.



PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION/  
PROPERTY MANAGEMENT



MECHANICAL SYSTEMS MAINTENANCE



MANAGEMENT OF EXTERIOR AND INTERIOR ASSETS



STUDENT APPRENTICESHIP/ INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

## Downriver Campus

### New Water Cooling Tower Installation



BEFORE



AFTER



**Eastern Campus**



City construction upgrades continue around the campus on Conner and St. Jean Streets.



**Division of Workforce  
and Economic  
Development**



**Training Outcomes**

Staff met to discuss reconciling training outcomes for internal structure and external reporting.





## *Building Community Relationships*



Dr. Fidelis D’Cunha participated in the DEIB Alliance Meeting of the Michigan Community College Association. They discussed a four-part educational series on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.



Denis Karic represented the District at the Detroit Chamber Regional Healthcare Collaborative meeting at the Grand Valley State University, Detroit Center.



Matt Green and Amanda Consiglio attended the Belleville Chamber of Commerce awards program.

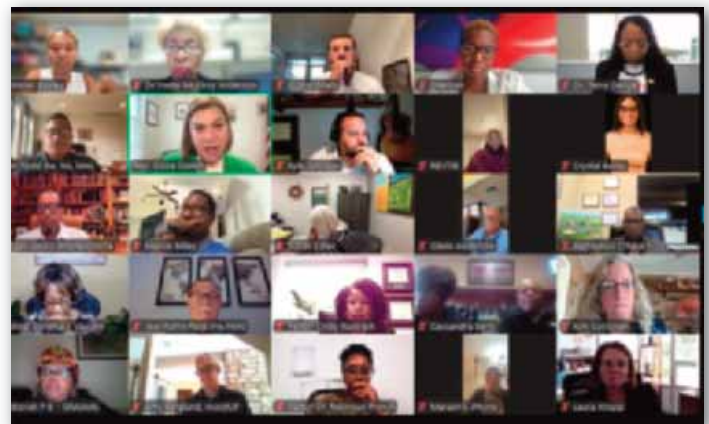


Members of the Downriver and Ted Scott campuses attended the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber’s session on the Impact of Regional Transpiration.



### **Fostering Futures Scholarship Fundraiser**

Staff attended the Fostering Futures Scholarship Fundraiser event. The program helped raise funds for scholarships to support youth who have aged out of foster care.



Dr. Yvette Anderson participated in the legislative briefing hosted by U.S. Congresswoman Elissa Slotkin. The briefing provided an opportunity for Congresswoman Slotkin to share what is occurring on the federal level.

# The School of Continuing Education



MARY ELLEN STEMPELE  
UNIVERSITY  
CENTER

The **Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center** hosted the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors for various professional development workshops.



The **Ted Scott Campus** hosted the Public Health Decision Making in a Radiation Emergency workshop.



The **Downriver Campus** hosted Safe Haven Wealth Management for a retirement planning workshop.



Members of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc., Sigma Pi Zeta held its monthly meeting for the 2024-25 sorority year at the **Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus**.



The **Northwest Campus** hosted the Department of Elections for a training workshop.



The **Downriver Campus** hosted the Detroit Wayne Integrated Health Network Narcan Training. This training offered eight sessions.





# Division of Human Resources

## Pathways to Continued Success: Being Our Best Professional Development Series

As a part of the Pathways to Continued Success: Being Our Best professional development series, the School of Continuing Education presented a workshop titled "Mind Your Business: Steps to Unlock Your Mind and Achieve Greater Mental Health" with Greg Dunmore and Dr. Calvin Ray Martin at the Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus.





# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



## Congratulations to Dr. Andrew McQueen and Ashley Storai for completing the Michigan Community College Association Leadership Academy!

This hands-on, Michigan-specific program is carefully curated to build a robust pipeline of adept leaders capable of steering community colleges toward a future marked by excellence and innovation.

## Student Success Summit and MCCA Leadership Academy

Members of the District participated in the 2024 Student Success Summit, titled #RealTalk, in East Lansing this week. A keynote session from Dr. Keith Curry, President/CEO of Compton College and Compton Community College District (CCCD), focused on unapologetic leadership: 2025 Real Data, Real Action, and Real Results.



Dr. Wanda Hudson participated in a professional development retreat at Oakland University provided by the MI-ACE Women's Network.

**One Vision, One District, One College**



Dr. CharMaine Hines participated in a masterclass including academic innovation leading at a summit by Cengage. Leaders from colleges and universities led sessions including: Empowering Education: Harnessing AI Responsibly to Accelerate Learning, Actionable Data and Leading during Crisis and Uncertainty in Higher Education.



Keith Binion attended the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy District 4 meeting in Detroit, MI, where he was voted onto the NABP District 4 Executive Committee.



Dr. Tammy Anderson attended the Kellogg Community College Student Life Association of Michigan Community Colleges September Meeting.

## Connecting Minority Communities Grant – Project Update *Digital Literacy Workshop Initiative Continues!*

These interactive and engaging workshops are designed to equip attendees with tools and knowledge to thrive in today's digital age!

### Week of September 23-26

- Create your First Website with Wix: A Beginner's Guide
  - Managing Virtual Meetings-Advanced
- Understanding Cloud Storage and Collaboration Tools for Beginners
  - Advanced Skills for Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint

### IT Project Update Meeting

Staff met to discuss ongoing projects and District-wide initiatives including:

- Data Closet Re-engineering Project-CLIDO
- STARRS Reporting
- Instructional Software Requests
- Zendesk
- District-wide Network Switch Upgrade project
- District-wide Local Printer Audit



**Northwest Campus  
Welcome Center Ballroom  
Upgrades**



**Curtis L. Ivery Downtown  
Campus Classroom  
Upgrade**



**Eastern Campus  
Electronic Data  
Disposal**



# Division of Student Services

## TRiO Program Student Highlight ~ Marco Britton



*"I am a person who works hard for the people around me and I work well with people who push me to do better and be better."*

Marco Britton is a first generation college student majoring in Cybersecurity/CIS. While at WCCCD, he served as an intern at General Motors, participated in the summer research project at Michigan Technological University, and he has recently completed the Community College Summer Institute Program at the University of Michigan. Upon graduation, he aspires to complete his Bachelor's Degree at the University of Michigan. His ultimate goal is to own his own computer networking company or cybersecurity business.



## Phi Theta Kappa (PTK)

Phi Theta Kappa Alpha Upsilon Zeta Chapter participated in the Michigan Region Excellence Award of Service Leadership Conference. Members collected donations for activity bags that were given to Michael's Place and Kalamazoo Gospel Ministries.



## Professional Closet

A student stopped by the Professional Closet at the Northwest Campus to pick out an outfit for her upcoming job interview.



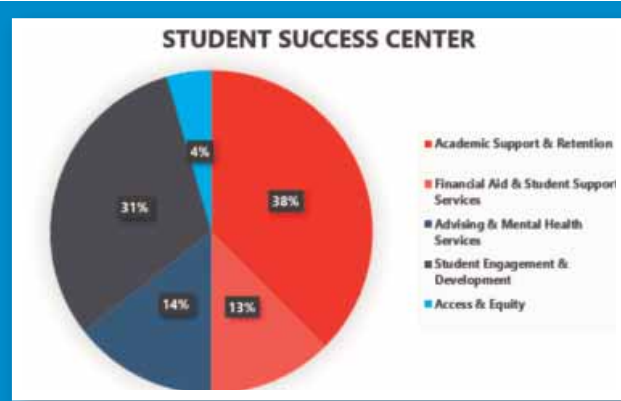
## Veteran Affairs

Returning student Clayton Turner visited the Veteran Affairs Office to inquire about VA benefits.



At this week's informational session, staff from the Nursing Department provided updates and information regarding the Registered Nursing Program. Updates included the application extension date of December 12, 2024, free HESI exam practice test opportunities, updated curriculum changes, and more.

# Division of Student Services



## Advising and Orientation

The District provides a range of academic support services, including tutoring and advising, to aid students in achieving academic success. We also implement initiatives like early alert systems, mentoring programs, and academic workshops to improve student retention.



**Dual Enrollment Program**  
Staff met to discuss new Banner roll out for Spring 2025.

## Admissions and Records

Staff met to discuss the new Degree Works platform.



## Financial Aid

The District Financial Aid Office is preparing for the first disbursement of student financial aid funds for the Fall 2024 semester. The funds being disbursed are federal and state funds. It will cover tuition, fees, books, and supplies.



## Federal Work-Study Program

The Federal Work-Study Office continues to reach out to qualified non-profit organizations interested in offering opportunities to WCCCD students for off-site work-study experiences that are engaging and provide career worthy skills.

# Curtis L. Ivery Downtown Campus



## Language Institute

Staff met to discuss upcoming programming for the Language Institute.



## PepsiCo Update Meeting

Staff met to discuss updates regarding the PepsiCo Scholarship Fund.



## Administrative Team Meetings



Zumba offers members the opportunity to break a sweat while enjoying dance cardio moves for a full body workout.





# Program Highlight



Mozell P. Scovil, NS  
Science Educator,  
CEO Healthyself, Inc.  
**OCTOBER 17, 2024**  
"The Benefits of  
Sauna Detox"

**Upcoming  
Workshops!**

The Curtis L. Ivery Health and Wellness Education Center's (HWEC) ongoing Vibrant Health Workshop Series continues to provide participants with the information to maintain optimal health. Topics focus on:

- Effective strategies to detox and naturally eliminate toxins from the body
- Research-based evidence and benefits of consuming green vegetables, fruits, and super foods
- Tips for preparing plant-based meals, snacks and smoothies



Joyce Oliveto, CN, CNC, CCT  
Certified Naturopath, Certified Nutritional  
Consultant, Certified Colon Hydrotherapist  
& Instructor  
**NOVEMBER 14, 2024**  
"Food Prep for the Holidays"



Bob McCauley, ND  
Doctor of Naturopathy  
**DECEMBER 5, 2024**  
"Chlorella and  
Spirulina"



The HWEC recently hosted a workshop in partnership with LoveThySelf. Fatima Tekko, Restaurant Business Owner and CEO of Smoothies, Juices and Energy Soup, provided participants with information on healthy alternatives featuring smoothie and juice recipes and tips on how to have more energy.

# Downriver Campus



WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



MICHIGAN INSTITUTE for  
**PUBLIC SAFETY**  
E D U C A T I O N



## Dual Enrollment Fire Practical Training

The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE) hosted the Downriver Career and Technical Consortium Dual Enrollment Fire Fighter I Class.



## Firefighter Students Begin Practical Training

MIPSE held the first day of practical training for the Firefighter I students. Students were taught donning and doffing of their Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA).



## North American Dismantling – Hazwoper Refresher Training

MIPSE hosted North American Dismantling for a Hazwoper Refresher Class. The course covered basic defensive and offensive mitigation techniques available to responders.

# Northwest Campus



## Federation of Youth Service

Staff met with representatives from the Federation of Youth Services about empowering career pathways in healthcare and providing essential life skills training.



## Supporting our Community

Staff collected hygiene product donations that will be donated to local children's organizations.



*Welcome!*

WCCCD is pleased to welcome Natosha Stafford to our team, as the new Simulation Administrator. Ms. Stafford brings a wealth of experience from her extensive career as both a nurse and a traveling nurse. Her specialties in labor and delivery, combined with her valuable experience working with long-term health and stroke patients, make her a strong asset to our program. We look forward to the expertise and dedication she will bring to enhancing our simulation training and preparing future healthcare professionals for real-world challenges.



# 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

