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2023 STUDENT SUCCESS SUMMIT

DeVos Place, Grand Rapids, MI
October 12-13, 2023
Registration Coming Soon!

MCCA UPDATES

Michigan State Police’s School Safety Resources for Colleges

The Michigan State Police recently published, and will continue to update, school safety
resources for colleges on the Office of School Safety website including the following:
- Ultimate Guide to Incident Management for Higher Education
- The Association of Recovery in Higher Education
- Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools (REMS) for Instructions of Higher Education
- Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program
- Discussion-Based Tabletop Exercise: Design Template and Documentation obtained from the Ohio School Safety Center

House Higher Education Committee

Last week the MCCA was invited to testify before the House Higher Education Committee on the Michigan Reconnect Program. President Johnson summarized the impact the program has had on higher education policy, citing opportunities for co-requisite courses and credit for prior learning, which will help improve graduation rates among reconnect students. She also indicated the MCCA is advocating for additional opportunities for Michigan Reconnect, such as lowering the eligible age to 21 years old. She also highlighted opportunities to improve accountability in the system that was amended last year. A video of the hearing is available here.

ADN to BSN FAQs

Have Questions about the ADN to BSN program? There is a designated page on the MCCA website where you’ll find FAQs on this program.

Connecting Eligible Students to Benefits

The Benefits Data Trust (BDT) unveiled a toolkit aimed at helping institutions leverage data to increase student success by improving access to federal benefits for which students may be eligible. As part of the toolkit rollout, BDT will host a webinar, entitled Connecting Eligible Students to Benefits, with higher education leaders on why and how to use data to improve student access to public benefit programs. The webinar will take place on Tuesday March 21, 2023, at 3pm EST. You can register to the webinar here.

Enrollment Crisis Webinar Slides and Recording Available

The slides and recording are available from the Addressing the Enrollment Crisis in Michigan’s Community Colleges hosted by the MCCA on February 22. Please share with interested stakeholders on your campus.

Explorance Free Event

Explorance is hosting a one-day event in Ann Arbor that is also focused on filling skills gaps in higher education. President Rose Bellanca from Washtenaw Community College is one of the keynotes speakers. Learn more here.

Funding Opportunity

The Lowe’s Foundation is offering grants focused on closing the skilled trades labor gap across the United States For more information and to apply please click here.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, March 7: Academic Catch-Up Webinar 4 (4 PM to 5 PM)

Wednesday, March 8: Advising with GSP pt 2 (3 PM to 5 PM)

Monday, March 13: All-Michigan PTK Awards (10 AM to 1:30 PM)

Wednesday, March 15: Transfer Liaison Update Spring 2023 (2 PM to 3 PM)
IN THE NEWS

The Times Herald: SC4 receives nearly $1 million in federal funding for Challenger Learning Center (February 15, 2023)

The Ticker: NMC Eyes New State-Funded Programs To Boost Enrollment, Drive Student Success (February 19, 2023)

Cheboygan Daily Tribune: NCMC adds dental assistant Fast Track program (February 24, 2023)

WOOD-TV: Mother knows best: Daughters enroll at GRCC alongside mom (March 2, 2023)

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