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LCC EXPANDS LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES IN EATON RAPIDS

LANSING – LCC has announced a partnership with Eaton Rapids Public Schools that will have LCC offering courses in Eaton Rapids beginning in the Fall of 2009. Courses and programs will be offered for the general public, high school students and youth.

The partnership is focused on shared educational objectives and a statewide goal of increasing the number of college graduates. The new initiative will include academic credit courses, computer related seminars, and a gifted and talented youth program.

“We are excited about the opportunity to partner with Eaton Rapids,” said LCC Senior Vice President, Stan Chase. “Our goal is to make education accessible to all, and this expansion of our curriculum advances those efforts.”

Most course offerings will fulfill requirements for an associate degree and transfer programs. These courses will be made available to dually enrolled high school students and the general public. A selection of computer-related seminars (CABS 100) will provide participants with the opportunity to gain hands-on experience using business software.

Course lengths vary from one to three days and are typically offered during weekend hours. Topics for the fall semester include Computers for Beginners, Maintain Your Computer, Beginning Word, Beginning Excel and Designing Your Web Page. All of the above classes will be held on Saturdays.

The youth program will include leadership and college preparedness activities. Classes will be developed to meet the needs of the community, with additional focuses on technology, science, language and art.

“Because we share similar goals of helping students succeed, it makes sense to share our resources and work together,” adds ERPS Superintendent, William DeFrance. “Creating this partnership will give more people the opportunity to learn.”

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About Lansing Community College

Lansing Community College is Michigan's third largest community college with more than 32,000 students attending each year and three major off-campus centers. The College has more than 240 degree and certificate programs. LCC offers courses in general education for those interested in

transferring to a four-year institution, career and workforce development, developmental education and personal enrichment, including credit and non-credit programs. For more information, visit www.lcc.edu

About Eaton Rapids Public School District

The Eaton Rapids Public School District serves approximately 3,000 students. There are three elementary schools (Lockwood, Northwestern and Union Street) serving grades K-4, an intermediate school for grades 5-6 (Greyhound Intermediate), a middle school for grades 7-8, a high school with grades 9-12 and an alternative high school housed at Greyhound Central. *For more information, visit www.erpsk12.org.*