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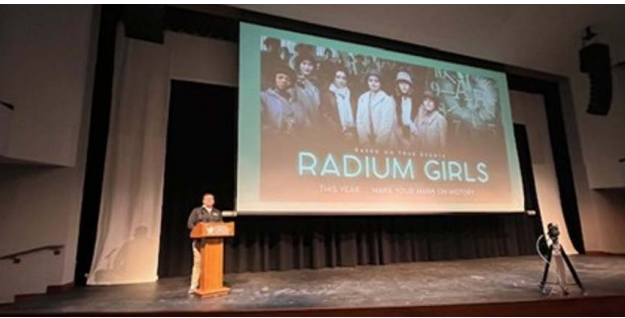
Environmental Justice  
Focus Of Annual Forum

LCC’s annual Take A Stand! Sit In! forum was held April 9-10 with more than 150 attending in person and online. Exploring Environmental Justice with Artists, Activists and Scientists focused on climate change through the varied lens of different cultures, science, the arts and humanities. For the second year in a row, Take A Stand partnered with the Capital City Film Festival for a film screening and filmmaker panel discussion on April 9. Three films were presented including a documentary about lead in Milwaukee’s water system, a poignant and funny narrative short about coming to terms with climate responsibility, and a documentary about bringing energy solutions to off-the-grid communities directed by LCC’s David Wasinger. The online sessions included “Let’s All Be Solarpunks” presented by international climate artist and educator Chantal Bilodeau, an LCC panel on transportation alternatives, short talks by community organizations on recycling opportunities, and student presentations on food sustainability. Take a Stand, Sit In! is organized and led by founders Anne Heutsche (History), Brad Hicks (Humanities). Pamela Smith (Sociology), Melissa Kaplan (Arts Outreach) and Annescia Dillard (Center for Teaching Excellence).



LCC-Historians At The Movies

LCC-Historians at the Movies presented four films during the spring semester, bringing viewers together via WebEx or in person to watch and discuss films from different periods and genres. Hosted by History professor Wade Merrill with frequent interdisciplinary co-hosts, the WebEx films were Who Framed Roger Rabbit, an episode from the original 1960s Star Trek series, and Office Space with co-host Dana Cogswell, Center for Data Science. In March, to recognize Women’s History Month, the signature in-person movie was Radium Girls shown in Dart Auditorium followed by a conversation with award-winning director Lydia Dean Pilcher. LCC-Historians at the Movies is presented by the History Program – Learning Outside the Classroom and is open to the entire LCC community. The program is led by an interdisciplinary team including host Wade Merrill (History), Anne Heutsche (History), Annescia Dillard (Center for Teaching Excellence), Patrick Butcher (Media Services) and Melissa Kaplan (Arts Outreach).



Starscapes

The Spring 2025 StarScapes featured a wide variety of projects presented by more than 200 students from across campus to an audience of hundreds on April 30-May 1 in the Gannon Building. Held each fall and spring during the

15th week of the semester, StarScapes Student Innovation and Creativity Showcase is open to all LCC students and features displays, demonstrations and presentations over the two-day event. Students may also post projects online, which this semester included poetry, podcasts, design portfolios and presentations on such topics as commodity chain analysis, Michigan sand dunes, ultrasound and energy efficient homes. This year, students participated from programs including Anthropology, Art, Biology, English, Kinesiology, Nursing, Physics and Sonography, with the Vinyl Record Club adding to the festive vibe at the in-person event. The StarScapes Steering Committee includes faculty Jeff Janowick, Melinda Wilson, Joe Esquibel, Suzanne Bernsten, Danielle Savory, Sharon Hughes, Christopher Manning and Diane Snyder, staff member Melissa Kaplan, and LCC student Sophia Potter.



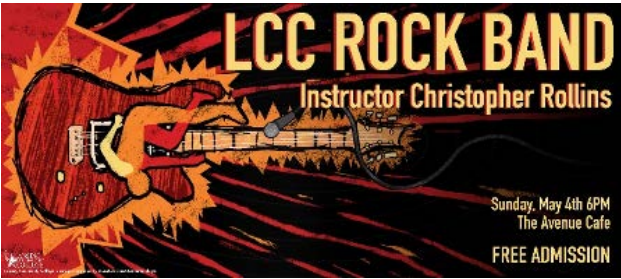
Michigan Occupational Special  
Populations Association  
(MOSPA) State Conference

Representatives from Lansing Community College’s Technical Careers department and staff from Student Affairs attended the Michigan Occupational Special Populations Association (MOSPA) State Conference, which was held from April 30 to May 2, 2025.

This year’s conference was significant for the LCC team, as they had the honor of celebrating one of their own, Yvonne Creamer, who received MOSPA’s Outstanding Professional Award. This prestigious recognition highlights Yvonne’s dedication, excellence, and lasting impact in supporting special populations.

Art Students Create Marketing  
for Theatre and Music Programs

Students enrolled in ARTS175 – Creative Design and Publishing – (Susan Antcliff, instructor) created marketing images for end of semester performances in the Music and Theatre programs. In addition to posters, students also created banners that could be used to promote the event on Facebook.





Crime and Punishment  
a Huge Success

Theatre faculty, Andrew Callis, directed his final production before retirement this semester and it was well received by students, community and the press, selling out the theatre for all five performances. The production, presented in the LCC Black Box Theatre, featured three students portraying all the characters in this concise, award-winning adaptation. The playwright, Marilyn Campbell, visited campus and led workshops and discussions with students in Acting Shakespeare, The Art of Being Human and various English courses.

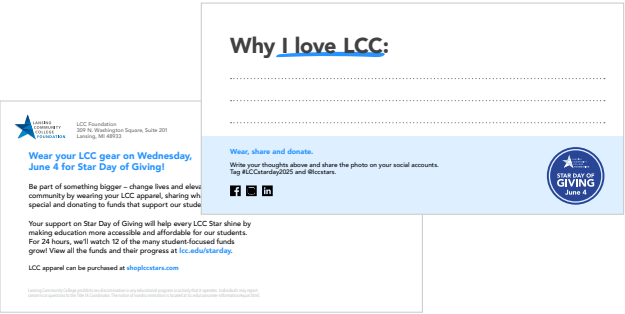
The director, performers and designers for the production (Steve Vangel, lights and Thalia Hollinger, set) were all lauded for their creative contributions in making the production a wonderful success.



Above photo: Playwright, Marilyn Campbell.

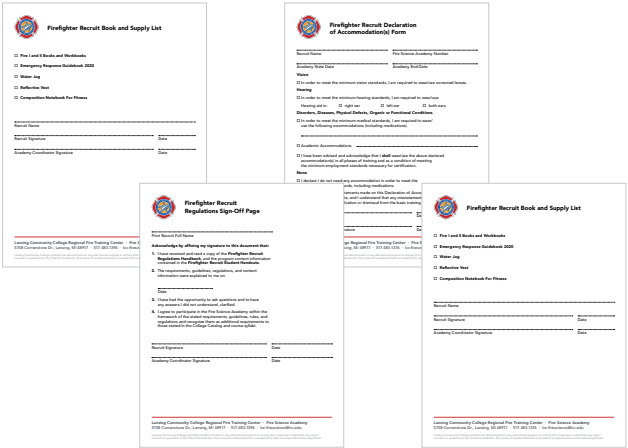
LCC Foundation’s Star Day of Giving

The Foundation’s Annual Star Day of Giving campaign was revamped to encourage donor engagement for 2025. The campaign features interactive postcards, where donors can write why they love LCC and share their photo holding the card on their personal social media pages. This, in turn, will increase the Foundation’s audience and campaign reach to new donors. Other supporting tactics were social media posts for a social media takeover of official LCC and the Foundation’s accounts with LCC Foundation, the Star employee, LCC Lifelong Learning and the LCC Fire Science newsletter email. Results will be shared in the next President’s Report.



Youth Summer Camps

The LCC Youth Program’s summer camps were nearly sold out (only a few seats left unsold) for the summer 2025 camps. The Marketing Department supported the enrollment efforts by coordinating community outreach with corresponding awareness and incentive materials, continued promotion in the LCC Lifelong Learning Newsletter, and placed several print (Lansing City Pulse) and digital ads (517living.com, lansingmoms.com websites and newsletters). Social media posts were also made across the college’s official accounts with zero social media advertising dollars spent this year.



Fire Science Academy Application  
and Communications Updates

The Marketing Department supported the LCC Fire Science Academy by streamlining and redesigning the academy’s application (dynamic forms) and updating out-of-date recruit forms and waivers. The application, forms and automated emails were branded, made accessible and updated with the latest admissions steps, including the new in-person interview requirement for prospective academy recruits. The new application and forms launched May 9, 2025.

Apprenticeship Day

The Health and Human Services and Technical Careers Divisions’ apprenticeship programs were featured for National Apprenticeship Day on all LCC digital and social platforms to celebrate their apprentices and the employers that sponsor these students. The Marketing Department supported this one-day awareness campaign by requesting social media-specific clips of the apprentices’ interviews and sharing them to the college’s official accounts. The LCC homepage featured the celebration, directing users to the event’s webpage, developed by the Marketing Department. View all

interview videos on the LCC Youtube channel’s “apprenticeships” playlist

Commencement 2025

Marketing provided support for commencement with the program and invitation design, web updates and graphics for students to download and share their graduation news.

Certificate of Achievement  
for Excellence in Financial  
Reporting Awarded

The College received notification that its Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR), has qualified for a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). According to the GFOA, the certificate is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management. The report has been judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program, which includes demonstrating a constructive “spirit of full disclosure” to clearly communicate the financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the report. This marks the sixteenth consecutive year the college has received this award.

The State of Michigan law that provides the college its funding each year also requires the annual audit to be available through a link on the College’s website homepage. The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report can be [viewed here](#).

**Lansing Community College is the first in Michigan to host BCSI training for industry recognized laboratory skills credentialing of students.**

**Background:**

Biotechnology and Bio-based industry has become a rapidly growing field both locally and nationally. Just down the street from the LCC main campus, Neogen is expanding and seeking to hire over 500 employees during the next 5 years. The LCC Biotechnology program is the only community college program in the State of Michigan. Therefore, we not only serve Bio-based industry in the Lansing area, but we also serve the entire state of Michigan. For more than 17 years, Dr. Mindy Wilson has been coordinating the LCC Biotechnology program. During that time, her sabbatical research and national research by others in the discipline has led to identifying specific skill sets considered essential in bio-based industries. The LCC Biotechnology Program teaches these skill sets. Throughout many years, both students, advisors and industry contacts have asked Dr. Wilson if there is an industry-recognized credential in Biotechnology. The need for evidence of essential skill sets to present to employers during the hiring process has led to the development of newly industry-recognized credentialing using in-person authentic assessment processes developed by the non-profit organization called Bioscience Core Skills Institute (BCSI). The new BCSI credentials, developed during the pandemic, are approved as Industry Recognized Credentials (IRCs) in some states and are currently in the process of being evaluated for approval by the State of Michigan. BCSI credentials are unique in that a student must demonstrate their laboratory skills in the presence of a

Certified BCSI Credential Evaluator. The credentials are split into five essential skill areas. Each area can be tested separately. What is beneficial about this credential design is that a) not all employers require all the 5 credentials, b) students are more successful in passing the evaluation when performed as separated credential segments as opposed to a large comprehensive exam, c) the credentials are stackable within a wide range curriculum and courses such as microbiology, chemistry, cell biology, molecular biology and other laboratory related courses.

As of last week, Dr. Wilson was the only Certified BCSI Credential Evaluator in the state of Michigan for the "Five essential skills" micro-credentials. As this credentialing system gains momentum in Michigan and at LCC, more Certified BCSI Credential Evaluator will be needed in the state of Michigan. There is strong enthusiasm and interest among science colleagues to become Certified BCSI Credential Evaluators

**The May 1 and 2 Project Description:**

With the assistance of Conference Services and support from the Employee Development fund, Dr. Wilson organized a Certified BCSI Credential Evaluator Training for faculty and other bio-industry educators interested in becoming Certified BCSI Credential Evaluators. BCSI is a non-profit organization that facilitates the credentialing evaluation process and has provided this training at more than 30 community colleges across the United States. The training was conducted May 1 and 2, 2025. Attendees first had to earn the credentials then learned how to perform the authentic assessments. The first day was an hour and a half skills evaluation of each attendee separately, so that they could earn the credentials.

The next day was a six-hour training and practice evaluation session. The training utilized a laboratory and classroom in the Arts and Sciences building facilitated by Conference Services. For each newly trained evaluator, the training covered five essential skills credentials, evaluation process training, evaluation rubrics and a kit containing an extensive array of laboratory equipment and supplies. Six LCC faculty (Robin McGuire, Robert Halgren, Joe Esquibel, Matthew Badtke, Edward Kabara, and Gwen Telgenhoff), the director of the Ingham ISD Bio-Science careers program (Toby West), and an MSU Extension representative (Madylin Sherman) successfully completed the training and earned the credentials. The training was conducted by Angela Consani, CEO and Co-founder of BCSI.

With facilitation of the Certified BCSI Credential Evaluators training, LCC leads the way in support of our students in their credentialing needs as well as support the credentialing needs in bio-based industries in the Lansing area and Michigan. Not only did the training provide a way for students to obtain affordable, accessible and industry recognized credentials, it provided faculty with instruction on rubric guided authentic assessment that was developed in close collaboration with industry partners.

**Funding for this activity was generously provided by the Employee Development Fund (EDF). We especially want to thank and acknowledge Scott Skowronek and Cathy Zell of EDF. Without their support, this activity would not have been possible.**



Above photo: BCSI Credential Evaluators Training participants Toby West, Gwen Telgenhoff, Madylin Sherman, Robin McGuire, Robert Halgren, Angela Consani, Edward Kabara, Matthew Badtke, Joe Esquibel and Mindy Wilson.



Above photo: BCSI Training attendees.



Above photo: Angela Consani, CEO and Co-founder of BCSI.



LCC Theatre Program Holds Advising Day

Another successful advising day was held on April 30 for theatre majors and those interested in becoming theatre majors. This program advising event was started after returning to campus in 2022 and has grown more successful each semester. The goal of theatre faculty was to provide majors with a one-stop registration event that combined advising with registration. The event, usually scheduled the same week as registration begins for the next semester, involves theatre majors, theatre and dance faculty as well as representatives from LCC Advising and Financial Aid.

LCC Performing Arts Closes Season with Puffs

The LCC theatre program closed its season with a bang – with the wildly popular production of Puffs: OR Seven Increasingly Eventful Years at a Certain School of Magic and Magic. The production, directed by faculty Blake Bowen, broke recent attendance records for Dart Auditorium with just more than 1,000 people attending the two weekend performances. Concession sales helped raise in excess of \$900 for the Theatre Scholarship Fund.



Let Off STEAM

The Science and Math Department brought fun, food and science together with the exciting Let Off STEAM event, held on Tuesday, April 29 in the A&S Building. This event was designed to give students and staff an opportunity to unwind and connect over science. It was packed with hands-on activities. A crowd favorite? Liquid nitrogen ice cream—a tasty treat with a science twist! For those who love a little fire with their physics, the Ruben’s Tube demonstration stole the show, turning sound waves into dancing flames. With a microphone on hand, brave participants either sang or spoke to make the flames move!

60 people joined the STEAM fun, supported by a fantastic team of more than a dozen faculty and lab staff who helped bring the activities to life.



Additionally, during Finals Frenzy, a similar event was facilitated and hosted by Geology students. The Finals Frenzy event offered free Michigan-shaped sugar cookies and fruit snack tower building.

There were several activities for Finals Frenzy held by the Academic Success Coach Team as well as Career and Employment Services.

The Academic Success Coaches offered Zen Doodles, a Board Game Break, Chips and Tips, and Bubbles Frenzy to offer students opportunities to take a break, unwind and connect.

**Zen Doodles** was a passive mindfulness program offered daily during finals week, giving students a creative outlet before or after exams. Students could freely doodle, choose from prompt suggestions, or use mini coloring sheets. More than 10 students participated.



Above photo: Academic Success Coach Zack Kowalski stands outside of the Success Coach Lounge with Zen Doodles on display.

**Game Break** offered students a chance to relax and connect through play. Tables were set up in the Gannon Highway with a variety of board and card games available. Coaches Randy Noffke and Pat Meyer engaged with students and joined in on the games. Approximately 15–20 students participated, taking a moment to unwind and enjoy the break.

**Bubbles Frenzy** created a lighthearted space for students to reflect on finals week and share future plans while practicing mindfulness. Coaches Adriana Carreon and Jayde Sugden-Storrs engaged students in positive conversations, using bubbles as a fun way to introduce calming breathing techniques and visualizations. The activity

encouraged students to shift anxious thoughts into helpful, affirming ones. Many expressed gratitude, with comments like, “Thanks! I really needed this today.” The positive affirmations remained on display afterward, drawing even more students to stop for an uplifting moment. Approximately 40 students participated on main campus and approximately 15 students participated at Livingston.



Above photo: Academic Success Coaches Adriana Carreon and Jayde Sugden-Storrs demonstrate breathing techniques with bubbles.

**Chips and Tips** has become a regular event each semester during which a group of Academic Success Coaches walk around downtown and West campus to give out bags of chips and study tips to more than 200 students.

**Career and Employment Services** hosted **Careers Over Coffee** in the Career Center during **Finals Frenzy**, providing students with a drop-in opportunity to enjoy free coffee and donuts while asking career-related questions. More than 75 students attended, and staff were able to provide on-the-spot resume reviews and career planning advice.

This Orientation takes students through content traditionally covered at New Student Orientations such as:



- + Academic programs
- + Course registration
- + Resources on campus
- + Financial aid
- + Campus safety
- + Next steps

It offers a combination of in-house videos featuring LCC students and general videos created by Advantage Design Team. Throughout the Orientation there are quizzes for students to take and areas to click if they would like more information.

At the end of Orientation students are prompted to sign-up for an on-campus Registration/Resource Session which invites students to campus to learn more about campus resources and get hands-on help with registering for classes. Once students register, they are able to get their Star Cards (student IDs) and take a campus tour. The first two Registration/Resource Sessions were held on May 19 and the next three were held on May 28 and June 10.

At the Registration/Resource Sessions students visit LCC resources such as the Library, Office of Empowerment, Academic Success Coaches, Learning Commons, Counseling, Career and Employment Services and more. Representatives from Michigan Reconnect and Case Credit Union were also in attendance. Students get assistance registering for classes and an optional campus tour.

The response to the new Orientation has been overwhelmingly positive:

- + 95% felt welcomed and reassured in their decision to attend LCC
- + 96% agreed they are more aware of available services

- + 95% felt better informed about student conduct policies

Feedback from both students and family members attending Registration/Resource Sessions has also been very favorable, reinforcing the value of this new Orientation model.

**Financial Aid Advisor  
Receives Award**

Congratulations to Financial Aid Advisor, Kamaria Taylor, on being awarded the Michigan Student Financial Aid Association (MSFAA) New Professionals Award!

This prestigious recognition is presented to a rising professional who has been active in both the financial aid field and MSFAA for one to four years. The New Professional Award honors individuals who demonstrate exceptional promise through their dedication, energy and engagement in the profession.

Kamaria has quickly made a meaningful impact through her student-focused approach, collaborative spirit, and eagerness to contribute to both institutional and statewide initiatives. Her recognition by MSFAA not only reflects her personal excellence but also brings pride to our entire Financial Services team. Way to go, Kamaria!



Above photo: Kamaria receiving the award from MSFAA President Kemmoree Duncombe.

**ESOL Bridge to Healthcare**

Health and Human Services led the development of an English as Second or Other Language (ESOL) course titled NCEL 160. The course was intended as the first step in a bridge program to healthcare majors, with entry level programs such as Certified Nursing Assistant, Medical Assistant and Patient Care Tech as likely points of entry for these new healthcare professionals. This bridge program was a joint project with the Job Training Center (JTC) at LCC.

NCEL 160 was intended to assist in meeting the critical workforce needs of healthcare in our region while providing essential language skills for non-English speakers and New Americans. Tuition for five cohorts of NCEL 160 were paid with the Strengthening Community College (SCC) grant. The classes were taught by Director of Academic Quality Cheryl Garayta and ESOL instructor Ian Leighton.

Partners in recruiting students for this program included the Refugee Development Center of Lansing, St. Vincent Catholic Charities – Refugee Services, and the New Americans program at Capitol Area Michigan Works (CAMW).

Outcomes included:

- + Developing English language skills while learning the terminology needed to move forward in healthcare training and careers.

Topics of instruction:

- + Types of careers in healthcare
- + Vocabulary related to the medical field
- + Reading, writing, and speaking skills needed for a healthcare career

Course details:

- + 8 Weeks
- + Non-Credit
- + Small Cohort; 10 seats available
- + Hyflex; Attend in-person or online

This course acted as a springboard to our ACAD 100 (Special Populations – Refugees) course which concluded this month. ACAD 100 - First-Year Experience is a retention course that prepares students to be successful at LCC by sharpening study skills, communication and time management. Our section of ACAD 100 emphasized healthcare careers for ESOL students. It was funded by the Strengthening Community College (SCC) Grant and was the second step of our bridge program to healthcare majors. All the students in the spring section of ACAD 100 (special populations) passed this essential course.

**Pop-Up Food Pantry**

Food insecurity among college students is a growing concern nationwide, with one in three students regularly experiencing food insecurity. Students who struggle to access nutritious food are more likely to experience difficulty concentrating in class, miss assignments, and/or drop out of college. LCC’s Pop-Up Food Pantry was established in February 2023 to address the immediate needs of food-insecure students as part of LCC’s commitment to student success. To preserve dignity, students are not asked to prove hardship and are not asked to provide their names. Food is available at all campus locations.

**Dates of service - May 2025**

**Students served - 189**

Art Program Creates Mural for DeWitt School

When the teachers at Herbison Woods Elementary School in DeWitt wanted to brighten a hallway, they called LCC Art Professor Susan Hardie to see if LCC’s Art Program could design and paint a mural. The school would provide the supplies, and students in LCC’s Art Club, along with several faculty, would create the mural.

After many drawings and much back-and-forth throughout spring semester, everyone agreed on a landscape image created by the students. Hardie, lead faculty in Art, redrew the image on a grid, which the team then gridded onto the wall for painting. Working four days on location at Herbison Woods, the group of students, alumni and faculty artists finished the mural on May 30. In addition to Hardie, professors Laurie Bishop and Jacob Pierzchala participated.

The finished mural should delight Herbison Woods students and teachers for many years!



Above photo: Austin Vue, Bryce Dunn, Scout Seltzer, Ashley Turcotte and Susan Hardie.

LCC Jazz Band Performs with Local Arts Center

The LCC Jazz Band, led by Music Faculty Jon Gewirtz, played in a joint concert with the Transcendence Performing Arts Center (TPAC) in early April. This special event helped raise funds for the TPAC to provide free lessons to local youth in music, dance and theatre.

Attendees enjoyed the big-band stylings of a variety of jazz standards, including “Summertime” by George Gershwin, “Fly Me to the Moon” by Count Basie and Frank Sinatra, and “Night and Day” by Cole Porter, among others. Several selections were sung by Candace N. Potts, Executive Director of Vocal Studies at TPAC.



Above photo: Candace N. Potts, Executive Director of Vocal Studies at TPAC

LCC Joins Attwood New Tech Science Night

HHS Recruitment and Outreach Coordinator Bridget Ward attended the Attwood New Tech Magnet School Family Science Night on May 22. During the event, nearly 100 students and their families got the opportunity step inside LCC’s Mobile Health Education Unit and participate in a medical equipment scavenger hunt.

Bekum America Takes on New Apprentices

Bekum America has onboarded nine new apprentices who will begin taking classes with LCC this fall! Bekum will be hosting a signing ceremony on June 23 to celebrate and welcome their new apprentices, and Work-Based Learning Coordinator Kelsey Lorichon and Apprenticeship Specialist Wyn Wilson from the Technical Careers Division will be in attendance.



80th Fire Academy Graduates

LCC celebrated the graduation of the 80th Fire Academy’s seven outstanding students on May 8. State Rep. Angela Witwer served as a special guest speaker to congratulate the recruits on their accomplishments. The event was a testament to the hard work of the students, faculty and community partners.

Additionally, in May:

- + Fire Coordinator Marc Fennel proudly presented the Fire Academy’s progress to the LCC Foundation Board of Directors, showcasing the program’s impact and securing continued support for scholarships and resources.
- + Fire Academy representatives engaged with The Hundred Club of Greater Lansing, reinforcing their commitment to supporting LCC recruits through financial and professional resources.
- + The City of Jackson Fire Department and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) recruited LCC students, recognizing the college’s rigorous training and the

high caliber of graduates. These partnerships strengthen the program’s reputation and provide diverse career pathways for students.

- + LCC’s fire recruits demonstrated exceptional dedication, with students completing and passing their Michigan Firefighter’s Training Council-accredited testing. This achievement reflects the academy’s high standards and the quality of faculty’s instruction. These results ensure that graduates are well-prepared for the demands of firefighting careers.



115th Police Academy Graduates

On May, 9, the 115th LCC Police Academy graduated. All recruits were sponsored to attend the academy by police departments, and they started their careers the following Monday, May 12.





Eaton County Day Treatment Program Visits West Campus

On May 5, Eaton County Day Treatment Program visited West Campus to tour several programs. Students received a short Technical Careers Division overview presentation from Secondary to Post-Secondary Program Coordinator Allison Snyder. Afterward, students enjoyed a 30-minute walking tour, ending with interactive activities in the Mechatronics and Welding departments.

Samaritas Visits West Campus

Students from Samaritas visited West Campus to tour and engage with interactive sessions with some of LCC’s faculty. Students had hands-on interactive sessions with Electrical Technology and the Drone program, before ending with a walking tour given by Student Employee Cy Demeire.

LCC on Hand for Michigan Construction Career Days

On May 1, Secondary to Post-Secondary Program Coordinator Allison Snyder and Apprenticeship Specialist Wyn Wilson attended the Michigan Construction Career Days event at the Operating Engineers Local 324 in Howell.

Thousands of high school students from across the state converged at the event to learn about construction-related education, careers and apprenticeships, as well as to try their hand at operating large construction machinery.

LCC Attends College Fairs

Technical Careers staff visited several college and mock job fairs around the state this month. These events

offered opportunities for prospective students to learn about programs in the Technical Careers Division as well as offering skills and feedback to students wanting to attend (or heading into) college. Events included:

- + May 1: Olivet High School’s College Fair and Decision Day
- + May 14: Wilson Talent Center Mock Job Fair
- + May 22: Success Virtual Learning Centers’ College Fair

The BCI Trains Gestamp in Small Business Development Center (SBDC) impact metrics for Jan. 1 - May 27, 2025:

Consulted with 233 business clients to start or grow their businesses. Other impact metrics:

- + Provided a total of 1,196 consulting hours
- + Helped those clients secure \$7,591,100 of new capital to launch or grow
- + Helped create six new businesses
- + Helped create 69 new jobs

SBDC Co-Sponsors ‘Telling Your Brand Story’ at Middle Village Micro Market

On May 6, the SBDC co-sponsored the monthly small business training at Downtown Lansing Inc.’s retail incubator, Middle Village Micro Market. This session was led by Lake Trust Credit Union’s marketing and branding team, Megan Miller and Fauzeen Qureshi. Attendees learned about key elements of building a brand, including visual components like logos and color schemes, as well as written elements such as taglines and

messaging. The discussion emphasized how clear, consistent branding can help businesses communicate their values, connect with their audience, and stand out in the marketplace. Participants appreciated the practical approach and real-world examples shared by the Lake Trust team.



Above photo: Attendees of the 'Telling Your Brand Story' at Middle Village Mirco Market.

SBDC Staff Participate in State Network Conference

Every year, the Michigan SBDC holds their statewide Network Conference to bring together roughly 100 consultants, staff and leadership. Laurie Lonsdorf, Darryl Horton, Seth Murphy and contractor Janet Atkinson all attended the 2025 event from the Capital Region. The team enjoyed multiple engaging sessions focused on Michigan tourism and artificial intelligence. The highlight of the entire event was a success video watch party that spotlighted Darryl Horton’s client, Baryames Tuxedo & Suit, and the work they did together.



Life Long Learning – Youth Program

Mason Afterschool Program Proves to be a Great Partnership

The Lifelong Learning Youth Program’s final series for our Mason Afterschool Program ran from April 14 to May 12. Twenty-one students enrolled into either Battling Robots Jr, the 4th-5th grade class, or Science with Experiments, the grades 2-3 class.

Mason Public Schools provided transportation to the afterschool class, held at the Harvey Education Center, and parents picked up their children at the end of class. This arrangement has allowed our afterschool program to be a great success for several years!

Summer Youth Camps Nearly at Capacity

Summer camp registration opened on March 1, thanks in large part to the hard work of our LCC Marketing Department. As of May 28, **96%** of our summer seats have filled. Summer camps begin June 23.

Students and Employees Come Together to Honor Livingston County Center

A celebration for the Livingston County Center was held May 20, with at least 75 students, faculty and staff in attendance. All enjoyed light refreshments and camaraderie.





**Lifelong Learning’s Motorcycle Safety Program is Cruising**

The Motorcycle Safety program is off to a strong start this season. The Basic Rider Course remains in high demand, with every session reaching full capacity. The Intermediate Rider Waiver Course also has seen solid participation, with two classes nearly full and another about half full.

This year, Lifelong Learning introduced a few changes to how we promote and schedule courses. We shared the full season’s schedule in advance, including expected opening registration dates, to help riders plan ahead, and college Marketing created flyers for the Intermediate and Advanced Rider Courses to distribute to local motorcycle shops. The response so far has been very positive!

**Job Training Center Presents at Conference**

LCC’s Job Training Center was invited to present on a panel at the 2025 Michigan Adult Education & Training (MAETC) conference, held on May 6 at Soaring Eagle Conference Center. Dean Bo Garcia and Director Lee Gardner represented LCC, and were joined by Washtenaw Community College’s Alison Peterson.

The presentation’s theme focused on leveraging relationships with state government to break down barriers to education and employment in Michigan. The session had over 50 attendees from education, politics and industry, all interested in hearing more about how LCC and WCC have partnered with the Michigan Economic Development Corporation to offer programming to underserved community members, allowing for a clearer path

to gainful employment and educational opportunities. Through this presentation, the JTC highlighted LCC’s work with incarcerated and returning citizens, as well as the recent success of the Advanced Manufacturing bootcamps for underserved populations.

**Business Community Institute**

**BCI Trains Local Hospitality Sales Personnel on Behalf of Choose Lansing**

Choose Lansing selected the BCI to provide “Generations in the Workplace” training for Lansing Hospitality businesses. Today’s workplace is incredibly diverse generationally, comprising up to five generations, and each generation has distinct styles of communication and varying expectations of employers, coworkers and the workplace. To bridge the gaps between generations, we must first explore what those differences are and look for a common ground that allows us to create a cohesive team.



**BCI Trains Clinton Area Transit System**

Clinton Area Transit System selected BCI to deliver training on “Navigating Beyond Conflict.” In this course, individual performers learn how to recognize the warning signs of conflict and to take actions that prevent situations from escalating or to work out the conflict if it does escalate. This allows them to mitigate any negative impact, thus reducing the cost of conflict and improving business results.g.

**xBCI Provides Dewpoint ITIL Foundation Training**

Dewpoint selected the BCI to provide training at their Lansing location. Information Technology Infrastructure Library (ITIL) Foundations is a training course that focuses on maintaining critical IT infrastructure through the establishment and maintenance of an infrastructure library. Course topics include appropriate library setup, survey of existing infrastructure resources, and identification and implementation of best practices, such as internal customer services, goals-driven policies and seamless technology support.



**BCI Trains Toyoda Gosei (TG Fluid Systems) on Problem Solving**

Toyoda Gosei (TG Fluid Systems) selected the BCI to deliver A3 Problem Solving training in Brighton. This activity-based training uses a pencil and paper tool designed to solve specific problems. It defines the current condition and looks at the root cause of the issue. The A3 also guides the user to define clear steps to implement changes and builds accountability. Participants experience a simple and effective way to truly understand the way work happens now and how it can be redesigned.



**BCI trains Bekum America – Supervisory Leadership Training**

Bekum America selected the BCI to deliver Supervisory Leadership training at their location in Williamston. .



**BCI Trains Dean Transportation in First Aid and School Bus Health Care**

The BCI provided CPR and School Bus Health Care I & II training to several hundred Dean Transportation school bus drivers. Training included Heartsaver® First Aid, CPR and AED, ensuring participants could provide life-saving aid in a safe, timely and effective manner. Additional customized training in School Bus Health Care was also delivered. This training provides all new drivers with as many necessary skills as possible to prevent and/or respond to situations they may encounter with their riders.



**BCI Trains GM in Basic Maintenance Welding**

General Motors selected the BCI to deliver Basic Maintenance Welding at West Campus. GM personnel received basic welding training to perform repair and maintenance on machines. This course covers fundamentals and brings course participants to a basic level of operational skill for Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) and introduces participants to the fundamentals of Gas Metal Arc Welding (GMAW). Topics covered include job



safety, welding terminology and methods, with a goal of gaining a level of proficiency sufficient to complete basic welds.



**BCI Provides Medication Aide Certifications Training to Medilodge**

The BCI delivered this comprehensive training program sufficient for healthcare professionals to test and become medication aides in the State of Michigan. This course combines mandated didactic training with supervised clinical hours, as per state requirements, to train healthcare professionals to deliver and administer medication to patients in a clinical setting.



**BCI Provides Training to Portland Products**

Portland Products selected the BCI to deliver 40 hours of customized PLC-RSLogix 5000 Upgrade training at their Lansing location. This course instructs on setup, utilization and maintenance of Allen-Bradley 5069-L306 Processor with an input and output card as well as a remote rack, with a specific focus on RS Linx and the Studio 5000 add-on instruction feature (AOI).



**Conference Services report of March events**

Downtown Campus

**May 1-2**

BCSI Certified Evaluator Training  
A&S 4307 · 16 people

**May 1**

Inhale  
Michigan Room and Grand River Room · 60 people

StarScapes  
Commons, GB Highway and GB 2214 · 100 people

Community Love Tables  
HHS Lobby

**May 2**

Rotary  
Michigan Room · 85 people

Washington Square Review  
Star Edition Reading  
Michigan Room · 50 people

**May 5-7**

PrepNet Virtual Academy  
GB 1430 · 10 people

**May 5-12**

Finals Frenzy  
Multiple events, locations and people attending throughout campus.

**May 7**

Dental Hygiene Pinning  
Dart Auditorium · 250 people

**May 8**

Fire Academy Graduation  
Dart Auditorium · 250 people

**May 9**

Rotary  
Michigan Room · 85 people

Police Academy Graduation  
Dart Auditorium · 500 people

**May 10**

Rock Lansing  
GB Parking Ramp · 500 people

**May 12-14**

PrepNet Virtual Academy  
GB 1430 · 10 people



May 12	May 19-21
<b>ELT Meeting</b> Administration Boardroom · 18 people	<b>PrepNet Virtual Academy</b> GB 1430 · 10 people
<b>Military-Connected End-of-Year Celebration</b> Michigan Room · 60 people	<b>May 19-22</b>
<b>May 13</b>	<b>Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration</b> Grand River Room · 30 people
<b>Nurse Pinning</b> Dart · 250 people	<b>May 19</b>
<b>May 14</b>	<b>New Student Registration Session</b> GB Highway, GB 2214 and GB 2302 (Adult Resource Center) · 50 people
<b>PA Days</b> Michigan Room and Dart	<b>Board of Trustees Meeting</b> Administration Boardroom · 50 people
<b>May 15</b>	<b>May 20</b>
<b>Ingham County Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Spring Job Fair</b> Commons · 300 people	<b>United Way of South Central Michigan</b> Michigan Room · 50 people
<b>May 16</b>	<b>May 22</b>
<b>Rotary</b> Michigan Room · 85 people	<b>An Early Look at Changemakers Donor Event</b> GB 3rd Floor Lobby and Conference Rooms · 30 people
<b>Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration</b> Grand River Room · 30 people	<b>May 23</b>
	<b>Michigan College Access Network</b> Michigan Room · 35 people

May 28	May 6
<b>New Student Registration Session</b> GB Highway, GB 2214 and GB 2302 (Adult Resource Center) · 50 people	<b>ERESA Signing Day</b> Auditorium · 50 people
<b>May 29</b>	<b>Grand Valley State University</b> M119 · 40 people
<b>Michigan Foundations of Fatherhood Summit</b> Michigan Room, GB 1264 and GB 1275 · 150 people	<b>AHI Associates</b> M122 · 17 people
	<b>May 7</b>
<b>West Campus</b>	<b>Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy</b> Showroom, Auditorium, S152, U233 and W164 · 360 people
<b>May 1</b>	<b>AHI Associates</b> M124 · 17 people
<b>Michigan Department of Labor &amp; Economic Opportunity</b> M119-122, M124, M124A · 80 people	<b>May 8</b>
<b>ERESA Law Enforcement Competition</b> Auditorium, Atrium, Fitness Center, Apparatus Bay, Training Apartment, U233, U234, U235 and W157 · 50 people	<b>Michigan Department of Natural Resources</b> M119-122 · 80 people
<b>May 5-9, 12</b>	<b>May 12-16</b>
<b>Finals Frenzy</b> Multiple events, locations and people attending throughout campus.	<b>Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration</b> Showroom · 120 people
	<b>May 13</b>
	<b>Michigan Department of Health and Human Services</b> Showroom · 125 people



May 14-15

Integrity Financial  
M124 · 30 people

May 14

Future Learning Council,  
Michigan Virtual Summit  
Showroom · 150 people

May 19

MSU Michigan Health Policy Forum  
M119-M122 · 100 people

May 21 and 29

ERESA New Student Orientation  
M119-M122, U227, U225, U241,  
U240 and U231 · 110 people

May 30

Technical Careers Recruitment  
Showroom · 150 people

May 16

Car Show  
Lot #1 (east side) · 200 people

May 16

Breslin Center  
Commencement · 2,500 people

Number of Site Tours

- + Downtown Campus: 2
- + West Campus: 3

Number of Booked External  
Event Contracts

- + Downtown Campus: 1
- + West Campus: 6

Public Relations Department

Media Report:  
May 2025

Earned media viewership:  
1,166,212 up 488,111 views since April

Earned media value:  
\$112,599 up \$53,863 since April

Total media press clips:  
71 up 29 press clips since April

Selected media highlights:

Pedal with the Prez returns

WILX NBC News 10

The fifth season of rides starts today.

LCC President quoted

Michigan Business Network

Dr. Robinson quoted in LRCC  
Benchmarking Report.

LCC President quoted

Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce

Dr. Robinson quoted in LRCC  
Benchmarking Report.

Trustee Garcia served as emcee  
for the Memorial Day service

WILX NBC News 10

LCC Trustee Noel Garcia Jr served  
as the emcee for the Memorial Day  
service at Evergreen Cemetery.

Trustee Garcia served as master of  
ceremonies at Evergreen Cemetery

Lansing State Journal

LCC Trustee Noel Garcia Jr served as  
master of ceremonies at the Memorial  
Day service at Evergreen Cemetery.

LCC in 517 Magazine

517 Magazine – May 2025

LCC’s Autism-Friendly Campus  
Initiative is highlighted – pg. 24

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517 Magazine – April 2025

LCC Board of Trustees welcomes new  
members – pg. 14  
Former LCC trustee discusses his  
Side Bar Dine and Tap – pg. 12

LCC on 517 In Your Business Podcast

517 In Your Business Podcast

Scott Skowronek talks about the  
upcoming Star Day of Giving.

LAFCU officer is the LCC 2025  
Distinguished Alumni

Credit Union Times

Kelli Ellsworth Etchison was honored  
as the 2025 DA at LCC’s 67th  
Commencement ceremony.

LCC baseball wins MCCA  
conference championship

WILX NBC News 10

The Stars win the Western Conference  
Championship for the first time since 2022.



LCC faces in 'The SpongeBob Musical'

City Pulse

The Stars win the Western Conference Championship for the first time since 2022.

LCC on PBS

WVPY (PBS) - Harrisonburg, VA  
Curious Crew

LCC's Sid Mosley details the Robotics program.

Graduation season begins at LCC

WILX NBC News 10

Students from the dental hygiene program received their pins as graduation season kicks off.

LCC to celebrate Fire Academy recruits

WILX NBC News 10

The 80th Fire Academy graduation is today at 6:00 p.m.

LCC names 2025 Distinguished Alumni

Michigan Business Network

LAFCU's Kelli Ellsworth Etchison is LCC's 2025 Distinguished Alumni.

LCC baseball heading into regional tournament

WILX NBC News 10

LCC Coach Steve Cutter talks postseason.

Mid-Michigan Police Academy graduation happening today

WSYM FOX 47 News

The Police Academy holding a graduation ceremony for 19 recruits today.

LCC is leading the way in neurocognitive assessments

Sportico.com

LCC baseball coach details neurocognitive assessments.

Police recruits graduated

WILX NBC News 10

Police recruits graduate from the Mid-Michigan Police Academy.

LCC Fire Academy class graduates

WLNS CBS 6 News; WLAJ ABC 6 News

Fire Academy from the 80th class graduate.

LCC softball wins Great Lakes District Championship

WILX NBC News 10

The Lady Stars won the Great Lakes District Championship and punched their ticket to the World Series. Coach Cutter details that men's baseball is looking to do the same.

LCC Fire Academy class graduates

WLNS CBS 6 News; WLAJ ABC 6 News

LCC Nursing graduates participated in a pinning ceremony.

LCC story promo

WLNS CBS 6 News; WLAJ ABC 6 News @ 6 p.m.

LCC baseball story promo.

LCC baseball gears up for the road to the World Series

WLNS CBS 6 News; WLAJ ABC 6 News

The 9th-ranked Stars are looking to return to the World Series for the third time in the last four years.

LCC grad talks about career in the trades

WLNS CBS 6 News; WLAJ ABC 6 News

Larissa Taylor talks about her career in welding.

Ingham Co. MDHHS holding job fair at LCC

WLNS CBS 6 News; WLAJ ABC 6 News

LCC will host Ingham County MDHHS for a job fair.

LCC comments on opportunities in the nursing field

WSYM FOX 47 @ 10 and 11 p.m. and 6, 7 and 8 a.m.

LCC 67th Commencement is happening today

WILX NBC News 10 – clip aired twice

The graduation ceremony will take place at the Breslin Center.

LCC 67th Commencement is happening today

WSYM FOX 47 News – clip aired three times

The graduation ceremony will take place at the Breslin Center.

LCC softball story promo

WILX NBC News 10

LCC softball story promo.

LCC softball heading to the World Series

WILX NBC News 10

LCC softball is heading to the World Series. Coach Kibby on the value of hard work.

LCC is having major success on the diamond

WILX NBC News 10

LCC softball is heading to the World Series. Coach Kibby on the value of hard work.

LCC baseball and softball are shining brightly

WILX NBC News 10

LCC baseball defeats Macomb CC 12-2. LCC softball is heading to the World Series.

LCC held its 67th Commencement ceremony

WSYM FOX 47 News

LCC celebrated its graduates at the 67th Commencement ceremony.

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WILX NBC News 10

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LCC softball gearing up for postseason play

WILX NBC News 10

Lady Stars are preparing to make a run for the World Series. Men's baseball falls to Kellogg CC, waiting to see if they earn an at-large bid to continue playing.

LCC mentioned in Bekum article

Plastics Machinery & Manufacturing  
Apprentice program is mentioned.

Social Media Analytics for May 2025

Social Media Analytics Key

Total Posts

How many times a video, image, tweet, article, etc., was sent out on a given social media platform that month.

Follower +/-

How many users that decided to follow or unfollow a social media page in a given month for each platform.

Reach

A metric that refers to the number of users who have encountered a particular content on a social media platform.

Total Monthly Reach

This metric is estimated by each platform. It is a give-or-take of how many users in total viewed any content from a social media page that month. It shows roughly how big of a net is being cast.

Average Reach per Post

This is not an estimate like the “Total Monthly Reach” stat. This is calculated by taking the reach for each post that month and then dividing it by the total number of posts that month. It gives an idea of how many users, on average, came across a post from a given platform that month.

Engagements

Engagements are generally defined as when someone interacts with a post. What constitutes an engagement varies by platform. Examples of engagements include liking a post, commenting, sharing, saving, clicking on a link, clicking on an image, or re-sharing a post.

Total Engagements

The total sum of engagements for each post from each platform in a given month.

Average Engagements

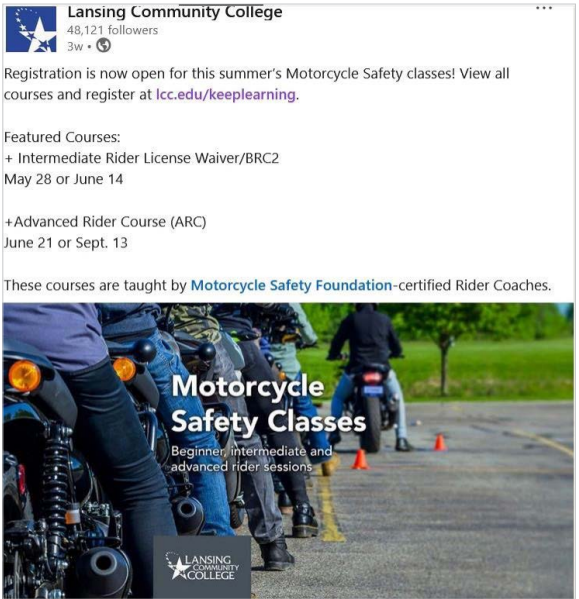
‘Total Engagements’ divided by ‘Total Posts’ for each platform. Gives an idea of how many interactions from users/followers one could expect for an average post during the month for the specified platform.

Engagement Rate

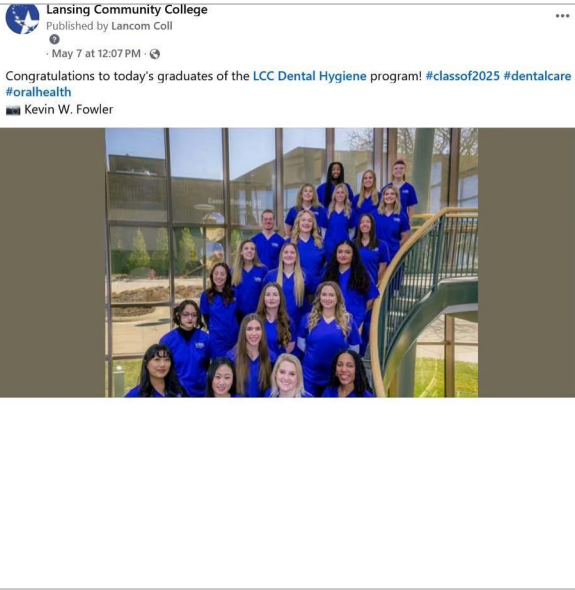
Also referred to as Engagement Rate by Reach (ERR). This divides the ‘Average Engagements’ metric by the ‘Average Reach per Post’ metric. Essentially, this measures the percentage of users who chose to interact with a post after seeing it on the specified platform.


The following are the top posts for LCC Social Media during the month of May.

 **LinkedIn**  
1,008 Reach · 25 Engagements



 **Facebook**  
70,690 Reach · 6,170 Engagements

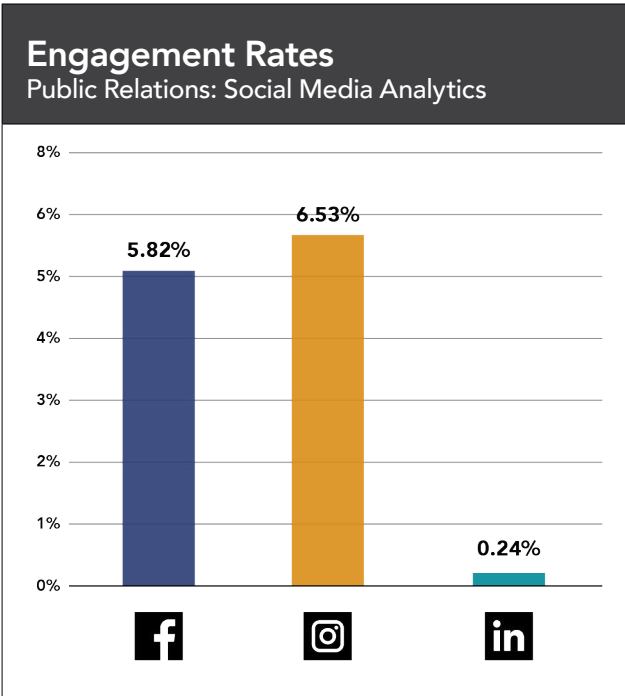
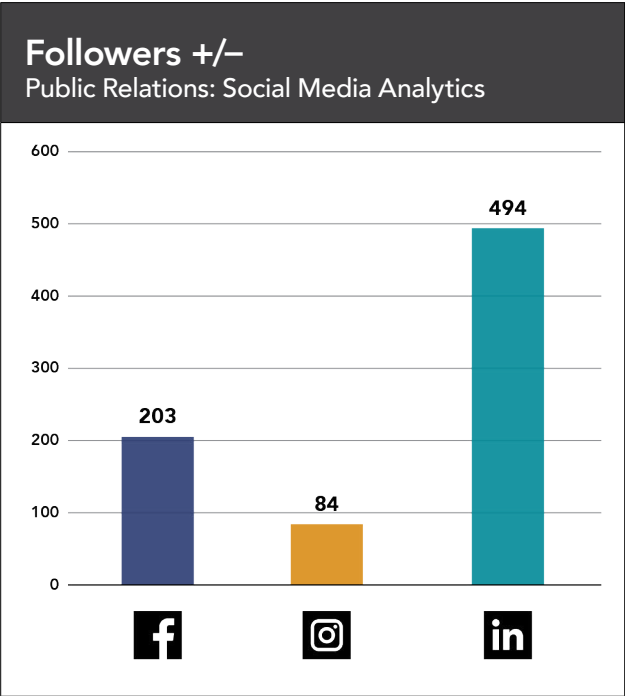
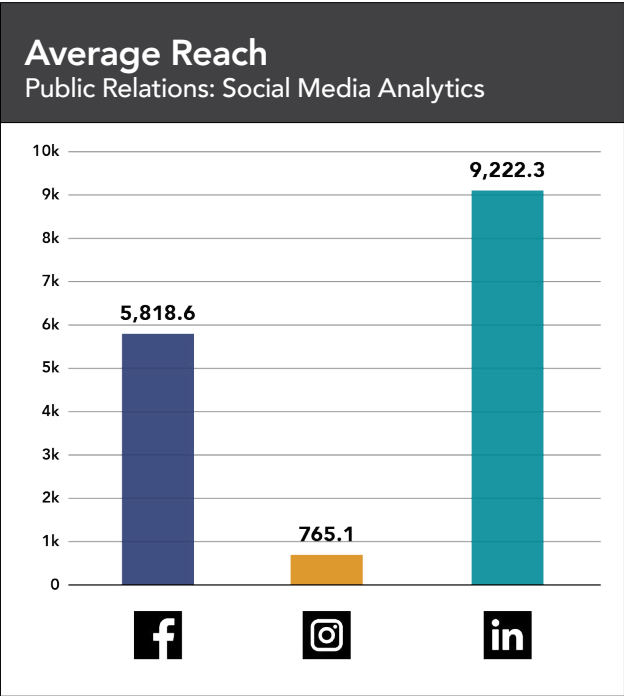
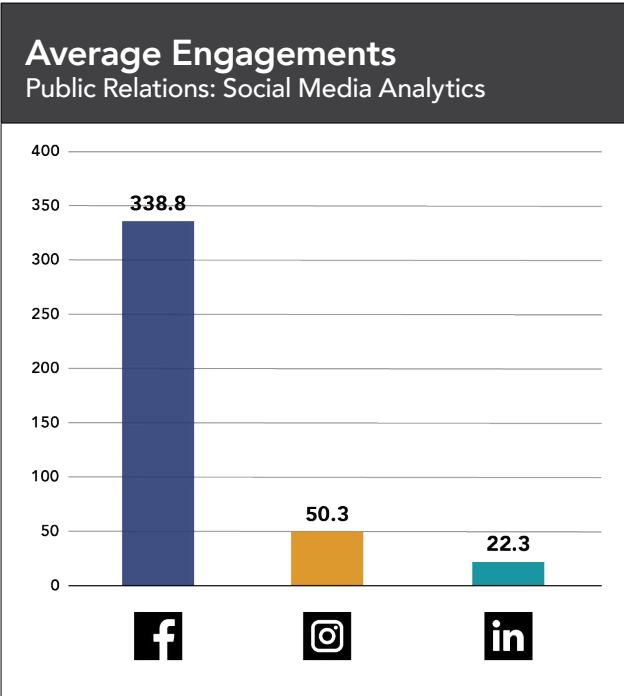
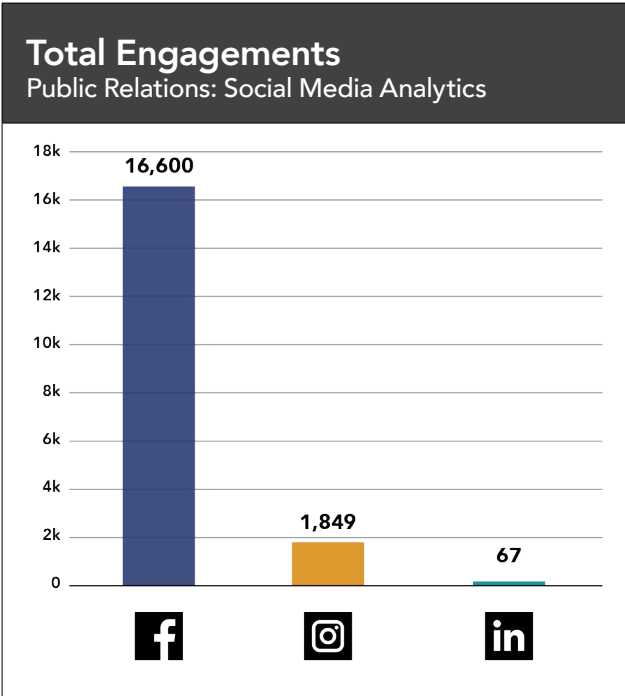
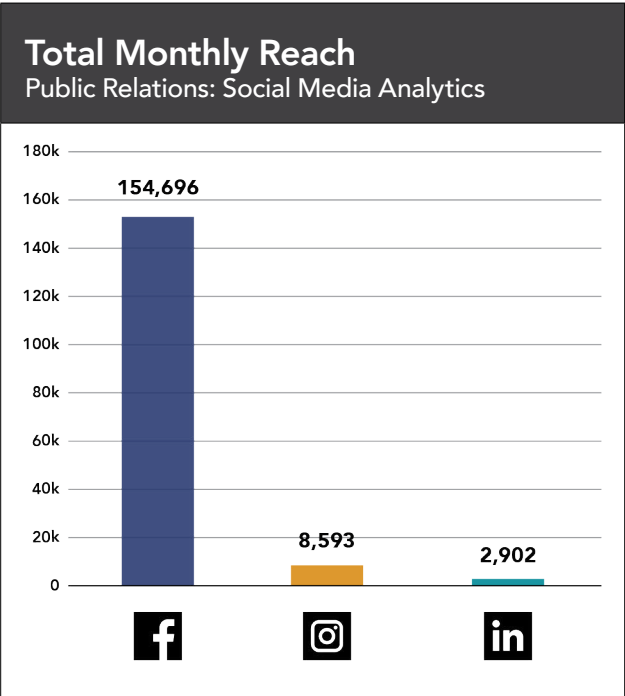
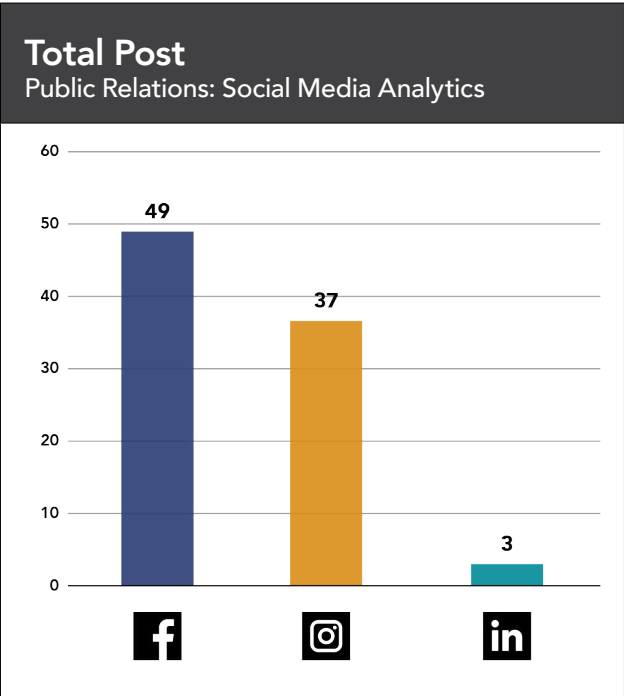


 **Instagram**  
1,460 Reach · 202 Engagements





The following is a breakdown of how LCC performed on our social media channels in May.



Administration Office

Empowerment Ambassadors Meetings

The Empowerment Ambassadors are actively engaged across all campuses, making significant contributions within their offices and fostering a culture of support. During their meeting on May 15, ambassadors discussed various initiatives aimed at enhancing community engagement. They briefly shared what individuals have been doing in their departments to promote diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging, and Chief Diversity Officer Dale Dan expressed her appreciation for everyone’s commitment and efforts. In addition, the Office of Empowerment (OE) provided a list of opportunities from each of the three centers where the ambassadors were invited to volunteer.

OE Representation at Recent Ceremonies

In a display of support and pride, members of the OE had the honor of attending a series of momentous ceremonies that celebrated the remarkable achievements of our students, including:

**May 7:** Dental Hygiene Pinning Ceremony

**May 8:** 80th Fire Academy Graduation

**May 9:** 115th Mid-Michigan Police Academy Graduation

**May 13:** Nursing Pinning Ceremony

**May 16:** LCC Commencement

We are incredibly proud of what each and every one of our students has accomplished, and we cannot wait to see where their journeys take them.

OE Begins Podcasting Initiative

Chief Diversity Officer Dale Dan's podcasting series, titled "You are Invited," launched in June with the theme "In Spite of Life... I am Here!" This series aims to empower the LCC community by sharing life stories from internal and external community members.

The first episode went live on June 2, featuring LCC student A'zekyl James. Other podcast episodes feature special guests like Angelica Bašić from the Lansing Police Department and Magnolia Alarcón from the University of Tennessee, as well as LCC staff members Lucas Van Dyne and Owolola “Lola” Olusile. The podcast will be posted on the LCC website and aired on 89.7FM WLNZ.

OE Holds Karaoke Celebration

The OE hosted a karaoke event to celebrate the end of finals week, providing participants with an opportunity to bond, sing their favorite songs and create fun memories before the start of summer break. The event offered a free and inviting space where everyone was encouraged to be themselves and enjoy the moment.



OE Attends Michigan Children’s Lifting Our Voices Summit

Staff from the Martin Luther King Jr. Equity Center (MLKEC) and Maya Angelou Training Center were proud to attend the Michigan Children’s Lifting Our Voices Summit, a powerful gathering focused on the future of our youth and the fight for equity.

The team was energized by a dynamic keynote that sparked important conversations around justice and progress. Throughout the day, they engaged in impactful breakout sessions covering a range of topics, including navigating diversity, equity and inclusion in today’s climate; empowerment strategies; advancing equity in education; and actionable steps to becoming stronger advocates for all.



Above photos: Estefania Reyes-Reynoso at the 2025 Michigan's Children Lifting Our Voices Summit.

Maya Angelou Training Center (MATC)

MATC Attended AmeriCorps ICHD VISTA End-of-Program Celebration

MATC is dedicated to fostering community connections and empowering individuals, and recently had a chance to put that into action at the AmeriCorps Ingham County Health Department VISTA End-of-Program Celebration. Team members made several valuable connections with service members and their host sites, building relationships with key community organizations like the Refugee Development Center and the Ingham County Health Department. These partnerships are essential for enhancing the support network available to our students and the broader community.

MATC Serves on B.E. Authentic’s Decision Day Breakfast Panel

Estefania Reyes-Reynoso of the Maya Angelou Training Center was an invited panelist to discuss the lived experiences of women of color as they navigate higher education. Reyes-Reynoso highlighted the importance of finding and building community and the importance of continuing to find mentorship opportunities to support success academically, professionally and, most importantly, personally.



Above photos: Estefania Reyes-Reynoso Carmen Bell at B.E. Authentic’s Decision Day Breakfast Panel.



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**MATC Joins Mercy Education Project Gala**

Maya Angelou Training Center's Estefania Reyes-Reynoso attended Mercy Education Project's 19th annual fundraising gala as a program alumna and representative of the MATC. She was featured as an alumna in a special highlight reel about the impact and importance of MEP's mission to serve and empower women in Detroit through education.

The gala was a resounding success, raising over \$125,000 to support MEP's work for the upcoming school year. This funding is crucial for continuing to provide educational resources and support to women in the community.

**Video**

**MATC Provides One-on-One Financial Literacy 1.0 Training**

The MATC completed a virtual Financial Literacy 1.0 session for an engaged student who missed a day of the scheduled training. Although this wasn't planned, the feedback from the student shows not only that we're making an impact, but that we as a team care about our students.

**Coping Mechanisms for Health Care Providers**

The MATC facilitated a mini workshop as part of the HHS Externship celebration for Pharmacy Techs and Phlebotomists. This empowering session highlighted the importance of developing coping mechanisms and healthy support systems. Participants walked away with amazing tools and were inspired by the MATC team's facilitation.

Two program areas were present at the session and shared their interest in future collaboration. We are now in collaboration for future workshops, specifically for healthcare students.



**Martin Luther King Jr. Equity Center (MLKEC)**

**One Book One LCC Initiative Announces Title**

The One Book One LCC committee has unanimously selected "The Anthropocene Reviewed," by John Green, as this year's shared read. This book features insightful essays that explore diverse topics while reflecting on the human experience in the current era. Its blend of humor and deep philosophical questions aligns with the committee's goals, emphasizing the importance of protecting the vulnerable to strengthen humanity as a whole.

The engaging writing style makes it enjoyable for readers, further supporting its selection as a community read.

This initiative aims to foster community, stimulate conversations and engage students academically, making it a perfect fit for the Martin Luther King Jr. Equity Center.

The book was introduced to the LCC community during PA Days on May 14. Faculty and staff are encouraged to integrate the book into classroom discussions, writing assignments and student engagement opportunities. Its accessible format and interdisciplinary themes, ranging from climate change and connection to curiosity and grief, make it a rich resource across many academic disciplines.

We look forward to a year of campuswide reflection, dialogue and discovery inspired by this powerful read.



Above photo: PA Days attendees learning how to integrate One Book One LCC into their classes.

**Community Love Tables Wrap Up at Livingston County Center**

The spring semester Community Love Tables wrapped up at the Livingston County Center during finals week, bringing warmth, encouragement and connection when students needed it most. MLKEC team served up hot cocoa, handed out swag and engaged

in conversation with students, faculty and staff. It was a heart-filled celebration of belonging, designed to empower and uplift our campus community one cup and conversation at a time.



Above photo: Tanya McClain and KyLee Carter engaging with students, faculty and staff at Livingston Center.

**OE Welcomes New Students**

The MLKEC is excited to join forces with the other Office of Empowerment centers to welcome incoming students at New Student Orientation. By staffing a resource table, MLKEC is helping students early in their LCC journey to connect with support services, build community, and learn how equity and empowerment are woven into the college.



Above photo: Griselda Iniguez and KyLee Carter at the New Student Orientation.



Strategic Planning for Student Success

Director Tanya McClain remains actively involved in Strategic Planning meetings, collaborating with leaders across campuses to enhance student, faculty and staff experiences. Her efforts are dedicated to creating inclusive and supportive environments that promote overall success and engagement.

Planning Underway for Ingham County Jail Credit Classes

The MLKEC is in the early stages of planning credit-bearing classes at the Ingham County Jail, in collaboration with the BCI team. These preliminary meetings are focused on expanding access to education and creating meaningful learning opportunities for incarcerated individuals, supporting pathways to empowerment and reentry success.

MLKEC Connects with Faculty Across Campuses

In an effort to meet faculty where they are, MLKEC Director Tanya McClain is collaborating with department leads to join existing faculty meetings across campuses. This intentional approach allows for meaningful engagement, the sharing of equity-centered resources and open dialogue. In one recent instance, McClain met one-on-one with a faculty member and their dean to discuss inclusive practices and support needs, an example of how tailored conversations can spark impactful change.

MLKEC Begins Data Collection

Now fully operational, the Martin Luther King Jr. Equity Center is excited to begin collecting data to better understand and serve our campus community. This

crucial step will help us track impact, identify areas of growth and ensure our programming aligns with the needs and experiences of those we support. Through intentional data collection, we’re building a stronger foundation for equity-driven action and lasting change.

Cesar Chavez Multicultural Center (CCMC)

CCMC Celebrates Students with ‘Wellness Wednesday’ Event

On May 7, the CCMC hosted an end-of-semester celebration that served as a relaxing space for students during finals week. Students engaged in wellness activities, including painting tote bags, putting together puzzles and competing in friendly board games. The event provided a fun and casual atmosphere for students to enjoy each other’s company and meet new people.

The CCMC also distributed T-shirts and awarded certificates of completion to students who participated in mentorship programs throughout the fall and spring semesters.



CCMC Recognizes Scholars

Cesar Chavez Multicultural Center (CCMC) scholars were recognized in May for their outstanding leadership in mentorship programs and contributions to the promotion, celebration and preservation of cultural diversity. Through participation in Women Inspiring Scholarship through Empowerment (WISE), Men About Progress (MAP), and Latinos Unidos Con Energia, Respeto, y Orgullo (LUCERO), they enriched the cultural fabric of our community and inspired greater understanding and inclusion. (Not all scholars are pictured.)



Above photo: LUCERO Scholars Daniela Cruz Martinez, Damien Starks, Chanel Massingill-Kelly, Jordan Lopez-Huicochea and Lydia Gale



Above photo: WISE Scholars Marylin Nguyen, Lydia Gale and Portia Amponsah



Above photo: MAP Scholars Nikoe Johnson, Darius Harris, Jordan Lopez-Huicochea, Micah Mitchell and Damien Starks



A Star is Hired!

Check out this monthly section highlighting our newest employees, who were hired during May.

Welcome to LCC Stars, you belong here.

**John Beery**  
Automotive Technologies

**Stewart Borthwick**  
Automotive Technologies

**Brook Couch**  
Communications

**Aisha Coulson-Walters**  
Human Services

**Matthew Eleweke**  
Digital Media and Design

**Andrea Ferris**  
Medical Assistant

**Sarah Hamilton**  
Student Life

**Jonas Heslinga**  
Police Department

**Griselda Iniguez**  
Cesar Chavez Multicultural Center

**Tom LeVey**  
Fire Science Academy

**JC McCasling**  
Library Technology Resources

**Ginneh Thomas**  
Theatre

**Dave Wright**  
Police Department





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LCC President quoted <https://michiganbusinessnetwork.com/benchmarking-report-highlights-lansings-economic-surge-and-startup-strength/>

LCC President quoted (2) <https://www.lansingchamber.org/sotr/>

Trustee Garcia served as emcee for the Memorial Day service <http://mms.tveyes.com/PlaybackPortal.aspx?SavedEditID=a22d5403-e8aa-4669-9128-f3050d189028>

Trustee Garcia served as master of ceremonies at Evergreen Cemetery <https://www.lansingstatejournal.com/story/news/local/2025/05/23/memorial-day-greater-lansing-events/83767264007/>

LCC in 517 Magazine [https://517mag.com/digital\\_issue/may-2025-issue/](https://517mag.com/digital_issue/may-2025-issue/)

LCC on 517 In Your Business Podcast <https://517mag.com/517-in-your-business-podcast-s1-e8-scott-skowronek-lcc-foundation/>

LAFCU officer is the LCC 2025 Distinguished Alumni <https://517mag.com/517-in-your-business-podcast-s1-e8-scott-skowronek-lcc-foundation/>

LCC baseball wins MCCA conference championship <http://mms.tveyes.com/PlaybackPortal.aspx?SavedEditID=81b93b5e-79cb-486d-a2d7-e9fa3ddc3353>

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LCC on PBS <http://mms.tveyes.com/PlaybackPortal.aspx?SavedEditID=ebc243db-981f-4e76-b837-e559f3501cfd>

LCC faces in 'The SpongeBob Musical' <https://www.lansingcitypulse.com/stories/the-spongebob-musical-promises-more-than-just-nautical-nonsense,137138>

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