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June 27, 2022

Greetings students,

This stretch of wonderful summer weather is one of the reasons we live in Michigan! As we enjoy all that this season has to offer, it can also be a distraction from your studies.

You can do this; the end of summer semester is in sight! I urge you to stay focused on completing your studies so that you can achieve your goals. If you need assistance, reach out to **student services**.

As you look to the future, I remind you that **registration** is open for fall semester which begins on Sept. 7. We applaud your determination and will continue to do all we can to help you be successful.

Sincerely,

L. Marshall Washington, Ph.D.

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President



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COUGAR BOOKSTORE

Bookstore Closing June 29 - July 10

The Kalamazoo Valley Community College Bookstore and the Bookstore website will be closed from June 29 through July 10. We will reopen on Monday, July 11. Because the physical store and the website will be closed during that period, we strongly recommend you purchase course materials by June 28 for classes that begin in July. Orders placed by June 28 at 5 p.m. will be processed and shipped or available for pickup during the closure, but *no* sales will be available until the store reopens on July 11. We look forward to serving you with a new website and improved systems at that time! If you have questions, please email us at bookstore@kvcc.edu or call us at 269.488.4030.

ADVISING AND COUNSELING



Questions about DegreeWorks?

As we continue to navigate through our security incident, DegreeWorks remains unavailable. Don't worry! Advisors and counselors are available to help. Staff on both the Texas Township and Arcadia Commons campuses can help you determine your class schedule for the fall semester. To schedule an in-person, phone or Zoom appointment, call 269.488.4040 or email success@kvcc.edu. No appointments are necessary on Tuesdays from 8:30 a.m.- 7 p.m. (last sign-in at 6 p.m.). Stop in for an in-person meeting or call 269.488.4040 to get in a virtual line. if you're counselor is in the Office for Student Access, please call 269.488.4397 or email learningcenter@kvcc.edu to schedule an appointment

ATHLETICS



Valley Athletes Continue String of Academic Accolades

Half of Kalamazoo Valley's student-athletes have earned academic awards from the Michigan Community College Athletic Association (MCCAA) for the 2021-2022 academic year. Thirty-eight of the college's 81 players were honored, which is 47 percent. Congratulations!

The Michigan Community College Athletic Association requires honorees:

· Have completed two full-time semesters or three full-time quarters of college work



- Complete a minimum of 24 semester hours completed in the current academic year
- Possess a minimum 3.0 grade-point average on a 4-point scale
 - 3.0 to 3.19 All-Conference
 - 3.20 or higher All Conference, All-MCAAA

The players and their awards are as follows:

Volleyball

Kiana Auton, All-Conference, All-MCCAA
Madelyn Bellinger, All-Conference, All-MCCAA
Hannah Callaway, All-Conference, All-MCCAA
Jordyn Klimp, All-Conference
Kennedy Pilger, All-Conference, All-MCCAA
*Camille Wadley, All-Conference, All-MCCAA

Women's Basketball

Abigail Long, All-Conference, All-MCCAA Lauren Tuin, All-Conference, All-MCCAA Brandie Robinson, All-Conference, All-MCCAA

Men's Basketball

Justin Bushu, All-Conference, All-MCCAA
Jaxsen Callaway, All-Conference, All-MCCAA
Jakson Dentler, All-Conference, All-MCCAA
Myles Johnson, All-Conference, All-MCCAA
Shurman McGinnis, All-Conference, All-MCCAA
Andre Whiteside, All-Conference, All-MCCAA

<u>Baseball</u>

Ben Cerven, All-Conference, All-MCCAA
Ryan Dotson, All-Conference
Jackson Foote, All-Conference
Brooks Hemingway, All-Conference, All-MCCAA
Cole Hemingway, All-Conference
Tyler Jones, All-Conference, All-MCCAA
Holden Kellogg, All-Conference, All-MCCAA
Kobe Mason, All Conference
Parker Neel, All-Conference, All-MCCAA
Jared Plane, All-Conference, All-MCCAA
Brandon Snyder, All-Conference
Cody Stewart, All-Conference, All-MCCAA

Softball

Shelby Bennett, All-Conference, All-MCCAA



Mykenzie Domeier, All-Conference, All-MCCAA

Brenna Fisher, All-Conference, All-MCCAA

Kenna Gilbert, All-Conference, All-MCCAA

Elise Hayward, All-Conference, All-MCCAA

Annemarie Mansfield, All-Conference, All-MCCAA

Hannah Mellinger, All-Conference, All-MCCAA

Sophia Pavese, All-Conference, All-MCCAA

*Camille Wadley, All-Conference, All-MCCAA

*Indicates Dual-Sport Participant



Call for Entries for Latino Artists Exhibit

Entries for the Latino Artists exhibit, an Art Hop and community art exhibit showcasing the fine artwork of local Latino artists, are due July 29, 2022. The show opens on Aug. 5 at 5:30 p.m. at the Center for New Media. This is a collaborative show between the Kalamazoo Valley Center for New Media and El Concilio, the Hispanic American Council of Kalamazoo. The event will premiere from 5:30 to 8 p.m. during the August 5 Art Hop and will be open on Aug. 6 to coincide with the Latino Summer festival in Bronson Park. Physical submissions will be accepted Monday - Thursday between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the center doors of the Center for New Media. Contact Cindy Parks at 269.373.7881 or cparks@kvcc.edu to schedule a time for delivery.

COMMUNITY & CONTINUING EDUCATION





Intro to Sailing Course begins in August

If you are looking for a new summer hobby, now is your chance to learn to sail. Kalamazoo

triangle course and so much more. This class is open to participants 18 years of age and older.

Fee: \$135.00

Monday, Aug. 1 and 8

9 a.m. to noon, 1 - 4 p.m. or 5 - 8 p.m.

Register now here. Call Program Coordinator Madeline Isch at 269.353.1250 or email misch0311@kvcc.edu for more information.

FINANCIAL AID OFFICE



Financial Help is Available

Need help paying for college? There are several options available through the Financial Aid office.

- Apply now for Fall 2022 Foundation-sponsored scholarships. Priority awarding deadline is July 1!
- Work study positions are available for summer and fall semesters. Email finaid@kvcc.edu for more information.
- If you're 25 years or older, APPLY NOW for the Michigan Reconnect Scholarship at www.kvcc.edu/reconnect/.



Register Now for Charity Walk

Current and former PTK members are invited to participate in the inaugural PTK Charity Walk. Bring your friends and family and help us raise money for Kalamazoo Loaves & Fishes on Aug. 11 at 6:30 p.m. on the Texas Township Campus. Register for just \$20 at www.kvcc.edu/ptk. Registration (before June 30) includes a commemorative t-shirt. All money raised will be donated.



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Get Involved on Campus

The Office for Student Life and Engagement is here to connect you with a number of events in our new virtual space. From meeting with transfer colleges and making a budget to learning about your strengths, our office offers learning opportunities outside the classroom. Meet new people and connect with campus contacts to make your college experience more meaningful. For more information, contact Coty Dunten or Ezra Bell.

Upcoming events include:

June 28 | Kalamazoo Promise Services Zoom Pop-Up: Q+A | 5 p.m.

Zoom Pop-Ups are presentations dedicated to the development of skills needed to be successful in college and life. Presentations are led by Kalamazoo Promise Services staff, Kalamazoo Valley faculty and community educators. Click here to join. For more information, contact Beth Brandon.

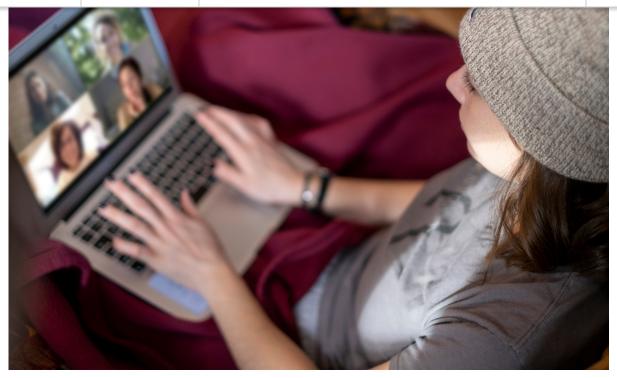
June 30 | Valley Food Share Distribution | 2 - 4 p.m.

Valley Food Share is an initiative designed to meet the immediate food needs of Kalamazoo Valley students. Through the program, currently enrolled students can pick up a bag, or a "share," which includes food grown locally and sourced through our own Food Innovation Center as well as non-perishable items from Kalamazoo Loaves and Fishes to take home. Valley Food Share distribution is currently a drive-thru service alternating between the Food Innovation Center and the Texas Township Campus. For more information, visit kvcc.edu/foodshare.

July 7 | KVAAP Information Session | 10 a.m.

Join this virtual information session to learn more about how KVAAP can help you achieve your educational goals. Upon signing up, a Zoom meeting link will be emailed to you. For more information on how to attend, contact **Kendall Walker**.





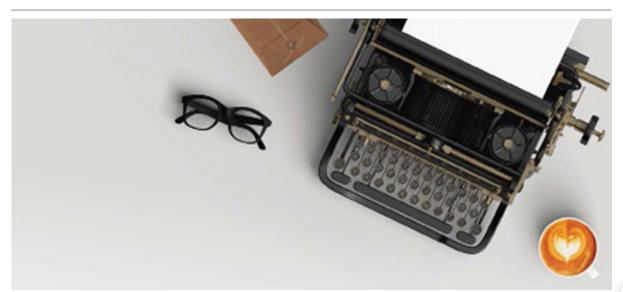
For a complete list of activities, check the college calendar.

Student Organizations

Did you know Kalamazoo Valley has a number of student clubs and organizations? From dance club to anime, there is something for everyone. Clubs are a great way to meet people! Check out the complete list here. Want to start your own club? Contact Coty Dunten.

College Social Media

Be sure to like us on **Facebook** and follow us on **Instagram**, **Twitter** and **LinkedIn** for all of the latest campus news. And every Tuesday, you can check us out on **TikTok!**



English Department Essay Award Winners Announced

Congratulations to the following students who were named Essay Contest Winners for 2022.



First Place: Just One More Time by Tawnee Bickford

Second Place: On the Road to an Early Death by Don Rabideau, Jr.

Second Place: Turning a Corner by Nadia Sbisa

Persuasive Essays

First Place: The Rapid Growth in Entitled Shoppers by Adam Kingsbury

Second Place: Protecting Young Minds: Minor Safety on TikTok by Kayla Bartell

Honorable Mention: Conceptualize This: by Myla Klomp

Honorable Mention: Mental Illness and the Death Penalty by Rachel Stouffer

Other Essays

First Place: Walking into Progress by Emilee Lawrence
Second Place: Love the Way You Lie by Makaelee Turco

Second Place: The Indian in the Closet with Spiders: The (Almost) Hopelessness of

There There by Tommy Orange by Don Rabideau, Jr.

Honorable Mention: The Strange Case of the Chili Tradition by Emily Langford

Essays from English 111 Literary Criticism Essays

First Place: The Inner Critic and the Puritan by Emily Langford

Second Place: Looking Only upon the Surface by Jian Toy
Honorable Mention: Sleeping in the Forest by Lauren Pillars

Honorable Mention: Religious Motifs and Computerization in E. M.Forster's "The Machine

Stops" by Nadia Sbisa

Personal Reflection Essays

First Place: The Turning Point by Anonymous

Second Place: Robots Have Feelings, Too by Vanessa Vang

Essays from English 160

Research Essays

First Place: The Effects of the 2019 Pandemic on Education by Morgan Taylor

Second Place: What Affects the Mental Health of Emergency Healthcare Workers and

Are the Training, Precautions, and Treatments Provided Sufficient? by Sarah N. Sward

Essays from 200-Level English Courses

First Place: Taking Flight by Candace Williams

Second Place: The Art of Stream-of-Consciousness Narrative Writing by Rene Gauthier

Second Place: Memory Fragments by Morgan Taylor

Honorable Mention: "Cathedral": A Lesson in Socialization by Lyndsey Youga

Honors Thesis from English 260

First Place: Secrets of China: The Truth about the Uyghur Humanitarian Crisis by

Adriana Perez Herrero



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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE



The Kalamazoo Valley Museum is operated by Kalamazoo Valley Community College and is governed by its Board of Trustees

SAVE THE DATE: 'Forgotten Fighters' Film on Sept. 10

Come celebrate the famed Kalamazoo Boxing Academy on Saturday, Sept. 10 at 1:30 p.m. with a free reception at the Kalamazoo Valley Museum, featuring guest speakers and a documentary screening about the history of the academy, whose roster included big names in boxing during its heyday. The museum has been hosting "The Forgotten Fighters of the Kalamazoo Boxing Academy" exhibit since February. It runs through Sept. 18. For more details about the documentary, exhibit and hours, visit **kalamazoomuseum.org**.







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