



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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'L. Marshall Washington'.

L. Marshall Washington, Ph.D.  
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](mailto:bookstore@kvcc.edu) or call us at 269.488.4030.

## ADVISING AND COUNSELING

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### 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](mailto: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 your counselor is in the Office for Student Access, please call 269.488.4397 or email [learningcenter@kvcc.edu](mailto:learningcenter@kvcc.edu) to schedule an appointment

## ATHLETICS

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### 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



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- 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-MCCAA

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

#### Baseball

**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

**David VanBuren**, All-Conference, All-MCCAA

#### Softball

**Shelby Bennett**, All-Conference, All-MCCAA



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**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



**ENTRIES DUE BY JULY 29**  
**LATINO ARTIST EXHIBIT**  
**August 5-6 | 5:30 - 8 PM**  
**CENTER FOR NEW MEDIA**

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### 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](mailto:cparks@kvcc.edu) to schedule a time for delivery.

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### 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

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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](mailto:misch0311@kvcc.edu) for more information.

## FINANCIAL AID OFFICE

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### 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](mailto: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/](http://www.kvcc.edu/reconnect/).



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### 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](http://www.kvcc.edu/ptk). Registration (before June 30) includes a commemorative t-shirt. All money raised will be donated.



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# Student Life and Engagement

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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](https://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](#).



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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.



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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](http://kalamazoomuseum.org).



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