



### MISSION STATEMENT

Kalamazoo Valley Community College creates innovative and equitable opportunities that empower all to learn, grow and thrive.

Nov. 22, 2022

Greetings Students,

During this season of thankfulness, I am grateful that the college continues to make significant progress toward achieving our mission of creating a more equitable environment where every student can learn, grow and thrive.

As you count down to the end of this semester, remember to stay engaged so that you can finish strong. Participate in discussions, do your homework, ask questions if you need clarification and remember to seek help from an advisor or counselor if necessary.

I wish you and your family and friends all the best during the Thanksgiving recess.

Although there are no classes scheduled on Wednesday, Nov. 23, college buildings will be open until 5 p.m. for student services, like financial aid, tutoring and libraries. All college buildings, except the Kalamazoo Valley Museum, will be closed beginning on Nov. 24, reopening on Monday, Nov. 28. The museum will be open Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 26 and 27 - I encourage you to visit it!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'L. Marshall Washington'. The signature is fluid and cursive.

L. Marshall Washington, Ph.D.  
President



## We Live in Michigan, Weather Happens

As the winter season is upon us, the following six closing announcements will be used to notify students, employees and media outlets when the college closes for a portion or full day.

Watch for announcements via text, social media and the college website.

### **1. College Closed**

The college is closed for business. All classes (regardless of teaching and learning modality: face-to-face, virtual or hybrid/blended) and college activities are canceled for the morning, afternoon and evening. Employees need not report unless instructed by their supervisor.

### **2. Morning Classes Canceled: Classes starting before noon are canceled**

Regardless of teaching and learning modality: face-to-face, virtual or hybrid/blended, morning classes are canceled. However, the college is open for business; employees should work from their assigned location.

### **3. Afternoon Classes Canceled: Classes starting between noon and 3:59 p.m. are canceled**

Regardless of teaching and learning modality: face-to-face, virtual or hybrid/blended, afternoon classes are canceled. However, the college is open for business; employees should work from their assigned location.

### **4. Evening Classes are Canceled: Classes starting between 4 p.m. through the remainder of the evening are canceled**

Regardless of teaching and learning modality: face-to-face, virtual or hybrid/blended, evening classes are canceled. However, the college is open for regular business; employees should work from their assigned location.

### **5. "Specific" Campus/Locations are Closed, i.e. Arcadia Commons Campus, Bronson Healthy Living Campus, Groves Campus, Texas Township Campus, Kalamazoo Valley Museum**

The college or one or more campuses or facilities will be closed for business. Classes, regardless of teaching and learning modality: face-to-face, virtual or hybrid/blended are canceled for the day and/or evening activities. Employees assigned to the campus/facility in question are not to report to work. All other campuses/facilities will be open and employees should work from their assigned location.

### **6. Delayed Start: College Closed until 10 a.m.**

The college will open for business at 10 a.m. Morning classes (regardless of teaching and learning modality: face-to-face, virtual or hybrid/blended), are delayed. Classes will begin at 10 a.m. or their regularly scheduled time.

### **7. Adjusted Operating Hours**

In the event hours of operation are adjusted (NOT closed or delayed start), facilities will remain open for all employees to report to work. Employees are encouraged to use discretionary judgment in their decision to report to work. Additionally, public meetings/events/activities scheduled during affected hours may be rescheduled.



### **Tutoring Available this Wednesday**

Plan to visit the Learning Center to get your schoolwork done so you can enjoy your Thanksgiving break! The Learning Center will be open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 23. Work with our amazing tutors on your writing, math, chemistry, biology, physics, geoscience, history, political science or study skills for at least 30 minutes to be registered for a drawing of warm Kalamazoo Valley gear (one per center).

The Writing and Math Centers: No appointment needed.

Locations: Texas Township Campus, Room 2220 | Arcadia Common Campus, Anna Whitten Hall, Rooms 122 & 123

Zoom: Zoom link located in your MyValley account, under "Student Links."

The Course-Specific Center: by appointment

Contact the Learning Center for questions or scheduling: 269.488.4397

Locations: Texas Township Campus, Room 2220

Zoom: Zoom link is emailed to your Valley e-mail prior to your appointment.

See you Wednesday, Nov. 23!

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# GET IT DONE

GET READY FOR WINTER SEMESTER 

### **Get Registered for Winter Semester at Get it Done Events**

Are you planning on joining us for Winter Semester 2023? Do you need assistance with completing the various steps necessary to attend? If so, then please join us for Get it Done, where you can receive assistance with enrolling, applying and getting prepared for the next semester.



- Tuesday | Nov. 29, 2022 | 2 - 6 p.m. | Arcadia Commons Campus located downtown
- Wednesday | Dec. 7, 2022 | 2 - 6 p.m. | Texas Township Campus

RSVP is required to join this event. To learn more or to RSVP, visit [kvcc.edu/getitdone](https://kvcc.edu/getitdone).

## ADVISING AND COUNSELING

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### Limited Same Day Appointments Nov. 29

Due to the special Get it Done event, there will be limited same day appointments to meet with an advisor or counselor on Nov. 29 at the Texas Township Campus. To secure a time slot, students should call 269.488.4040 the morning of Nov. 29.



### Time to Buy Commencement Caps, Gowns, Honors Regalia

Attention December graduates! You can buy commencement regalia up until **5 p.m. Friday, Dec.**



degrees and certificates at the graduation ceremony scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 18 at 2 p.m. at Miller Auditorium at Western Michigan University.

### Shop for the Holidays at the Bookstore!

The perfect gift for your Kalamazoo Valley student, employee, alum and their families is Cougar gear! Get everything from comfy college-branded sweatshirts, pants, socks, t-shirts and hoodies, plus mugs, backpacks, baseball caps, water bottles. For your convenience, you can shop online at [bookstore.kvcc.edu](http://bookstore.kvcc.edu). Shipping is \$5. Those wishing to buy in person can do so from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Friday.



## PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY

### PTK Collecting Hats, Mittens, Scarves

Kalamazoo Valley Community College's chapter of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK), the international honor society for two-year colleges, recently began a donation drive to collect hats, mittens and scarves for Kalamazoo Public School students.

On Tuesday, Nov. 15, the group met at the Texas Township Campus to craft snowman-themed collection bins which are now distributed at multiple locations throughout the college's campuses and across the community. The drive is ongoing and runs through Dec. 1. All community members are encouraged to drop off new or lightly used hats, scarves or mittens at a convenient location.

Donation bins are currently available at the Texas Township Campus and downtown at Anna Whitten Hall, the Marilyn J. Schlack Culinary and Allied Health Building and the Kalamazoo Valley Museum. Bins are also available at Centerwell Home Healthcare in Portage and at the Kalamazoo Public Library's central location.

For more information, email [ptk@kvcc.edu](mailto:ptk@kvcc.edu) or contact [Kayleigh Overhuel](#), Kalamazoo Valley's PTK chapter president.

Student Life and Engagement   
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[Get Involved on Campus](#)

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 [Ezra Bell](#).

Upcoming events include:

**Nov. 22 | FAFSA Night | 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.**

Kalamazoo Valley Community College's Financial Aid Office is hosting several FAFSA® Nights to assist families in completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®). Staff will be available to answer questions. Students do not need to be attending Kalamazoo Valley to receive assistance in completing the FAFSA®. If you have questions or need help, stop by the Financial Aid Office every Tuesday between 4:30 - 6:30 p.m., Room 9210 at the Texas Township Campus. For more information, email [finaid@kvcc.edu](mailto:finaid@kvcc.edu).

**Nov. 23 | Kalamazoo Promise Services Progress Report Luncheon | Noon - 3 p.m.**

Kalamazoo Promise students are invited to join us downtown at Anna Whitten Hall from noon - 3 p.m. in Room 306 for Kalamazoo Promise Services' Progress Report Luncheon. At this engaging event, attendees will be able to meet with Kalamazoo Promise Services staff, discuss questions, review course schedules and meet with an advisor. To learn more, contact [Narda McClendon](#).

**Nov. 30 | Dental Hygiene Information Session | 5:30 p.m.**

Interested in a career as a dental hygienist? Join us at 5:30 p.m. on the Texas Township Campus in Room 4550 for this free informational session to learn more! Participants will connect with faculty, learn about Kalamazoo Valley's Dental Hygiene program and review its application process and requirements. No RSVP is needed to attend! For more information, contact [Amy Murray](#).

**Dec. 1 | KVAAP Information Session | 10 a.m.**

Join this virtual information session to learn more about how Kalamazoo Valley Accelerated Associate Program (KVAAP) can help you achieve your educational goals. Upon signing up, a Zoom meeting link will be emailed to you. Click [here](#) to register. For more information, contact [Kendall Walker](#).

**Dec. 1 | Valley Food Share | 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. For more information visit [kvcc.edu/foodshare](http://kvcc.edu/foodshare).

**Dec. 1 | Emergency Medical Services Information Session | 6 p.m.**

Interested in a career in emergency medical services? Join us at the Marilyn J. Schlack Culinary and Allied Health Building in Room 223 for a free informational session to learn more! Participants will connect with faculty, learn about Kalamazoo Valley's EMS program and review



**Dec. 2 | Dec. Art Hop at the CNM | 5:30 - 8 p.m.**

The Dec. 2022 Art Hop exhibit at the Center for New Media features artwork submitted by area high school students for the college's Art and Design Competition. Please join us on Dec. 2 anytime from 5:30 - 8 p.m.

**Dec. 5 | Respiratory Therapy Information Session | 5:30 p.m.**

Interested in a career as a respiratory therapist? Join us at the Texas Township Campus in Room 1310 for a free informational session to learn more! Participants will connect with faculty, learn about Kalamazoo Valley's Respiratory Therapy program and review its application process and requirements. No RSVP is needed to attend! For more information, contact [Amy Murray](#).

**Dec. 6 | Medical Assistant Technology Information Session | 5:30 p.m.**

Interested in a career as a medical assistant? Join us at the Texas Township Campus in Room 4550 for a free informational session to learn more! Participants will connect with faculty, learn about Kalamazoo Valley's Medical Assistant Technology program and review its application process and requirements. No RSVP is needed to attend! For more information, contact [Amy Murray](#).

*Check the college [calendar](#) for other upcoming opportunities.*

**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](#).

**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](#)!

## STUDENT EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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Student Employment Services assists students with job searching, resume writing and practice interviewing. Visit [Career Coach](#) to see if there is something that interests you. If you are looking for a different job other than what is listed, we can help. Call 269.488.4040 or email [careercenter@kvcc.edu](mailto:careercenter@kvcc.edu) to schedule an appointment.



Artworks Supervisor - MRC Industries, Inc.  
Digital Product Manager Associate - Humphrey Products

### **Accounting/Business/IT/Marketing**

Part-time Executive Director - Children's Nature Playscape  
Secretary to the Principal - Portage Public Schools  
Legal Assistant/Paralegal - Oshtemo Charter Township  
Executive Assistant - Kellogg Company  
Sales Associate, Kalamazoo Wings - Greenleaf Hospitality Group  
Customer Service Representative - Humphrey Products  
Accounting Specialist - Division 7 Building Contractors, Inc.

### **Culinary/Brewing**

Restaurant Event Coordinator/Supervisor - Greenleaf Hospitality Group  
Critical Systems Specialist - Bell's Brewery  
The Morning Dish Cook - Greenleaf Hospitality Group

### **Education**

Conservation Educator - Kalamazoo Nature Center  
Assistant Teacher - Jumpstart Childcare of Kalamazoo  
Lead Teacher - Community Action  
Washington Street Elementary Special Education Teacher-Otsego Public Schools  
Substitute Teachers and Parapros - EDUStaff  
Girls on the Run Coach - Girls on the Run of Greater Kalamazoo

### **General Studies**

Security Guard at Wings Event Center - Greenleaf Hospitality Group  
Parking Attendant - Greenleaf Hospitality Group  
Blush Stylist Apprentice - Greenleaf Hospitality Group  
Valet Attendant/Radisson Plaza Hotel - Greenleaf Hospitality Group

### **Health Careers**

Certified Medical Assistant - Southwest Michigan Dermatology  
Medical Scribe - Helix Scribe Solutions  
Registration/Scheduler - WMU Homer Stryker M.D. School of Medicine

### **Human Services**

Behavior Technician - Residential Opportunities  
Assistance Payments Worker - Department of Health and Human Services  
Services Specialist - Department of Health and Human Services

### **Trades**

CAD Designer Intern - Commonwealth Associates, Inc.  
Test Lab Technician / Test Engineer - Western Diversified Plastics



Motor Vehicle Mechanic - Amentum

HVAC Technician - Greenleaf Hospitality Group

# ATHLETICS

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## Ready for Some Basketball? Home Games in December

If you're looking for a free, fun activity with a variety of dates from which to choose, Kalamazoo Valley men's and women's basketball games are a great option! They take place in the main gym at the Texas Township Campus. Here's the December home game schedule. Your friends and family are welcome, too!

- **WEDNESDAY, DEC. 7, 7 p.m. (Home)**  
Men's Basketball, Valley vs. Albion College J.V.
- **WEDNESDAY, DEC. 14, 5:30 p.m. (Home)**  
Women's Basketball, Valley vs. Mott Community College
- **WEDNESDAY, DEC. 14, 7:30 p.m. (Home)**  
Men's Basketball, Valley vs. Mott Community College
- **WEDNESDAY, DEC. 28, 5:30 p.m. (Home)**  
Women's Basketball, Valley vs. Detroit Christian Community College
- **WEDNESDAY, DEC. 28, 7:30 p.m. (Home)**  
Men's Basketball, Valley vs. Detroit Christian Community College



2022-23  
**COUGARS**  
KALAMAZOO VALLEY  
MEN'S BASKETBALL

JIM HORN  
HEAD COACH

JOSH RYAN  
ASSISTANT COACH

TAUREAN WILSON  
ASSISTANT COACH

JUSTIN MONTGOMERY  
ASSISTANT COACH

# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE



# Kalamazoo VALLEY™ Museum



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



## Kalamazoo Mandolin and Guitar Orchestra Performs for Dec. 2 Art Hop

Enjoy free live music at the Kalamazoo Valley Museum during the Dec. 2 Art Hop in downtown Kalamazoo! The Kalamazoo Mandolin and Guitar Orchestra will perform holiday music to kick off the season with merriment. Showtimes are at 6 p.m. and 7:15 p.m. Seating is first come, first served. Advance registration is not required.





### **Holiday Music Planetarium Show Runs Dec. 2 - Jan. 5**

What does Frank Sinatra, Chuck Berry, Brenda Lee and the Trans-Siberian Orchestra have in common? They and other popular artists are featured in the "Let It Snow" holiday music and light planetarium show running from Dec. 2 through Jan. 5 at the Kalamazoo Valley Museum! See below for a full list of showtimes. Buy tickets at the front desk, or in advance by choosing from the list of dates at [kalamazoomuseum.org/planetarium](http://kalamazoomuseum.org/planetarium). Tickets: \$3 (museum entry is free). Run time: 30 minutes. Check out the trailer [here!](#)

#### **SHOWTIMES:**

Dec. 2 - 17, Fridays and Saturdays | 11 a.m.

Dec. 27 - 30, Tuesday thru Friday | 11 a.m. & 2 p.m.

Jan. 3 - 4, Tuesday and Wednesday | 11 a.m. & 2 p.m.

Jan. 5, Thursday | 2 p.m.





## Ride the Holly Jolly Trolley in Downtown Kalamazoo

Did you know the free Holly Jolly Trolley in downtown Kalamazoo is co-sponsored by Kalamazoo Valley Community College's own Kalamazoo Valley Museum? You can ride it Thursdays through Sundays, Nov. 27 - Dec. 19; Saturday, Dec. 24; and Saturday, Dec. 31, for limited hours. See below for the schedule. Catch the trolley on the hour, and 30 minutes after the hour, at Kalamazoo City Hall, the first stop. The trolley makes eight stops each trip!

### REGULAR HOURS (Nov. 27 - Dec. 19):

**Thursdays**, 5 - 9 p.m.

**Fridays**, 5 - 9 p.m.

**Saturdays**, 11 a.m.- 8 p.m.

**Sundays**, noon - 4 p.m.

### SPECIAL HOURS:

**Saturday, Dec. 24**, noon - 4 p.m. (Christmas Eve)

**Saturday, Dec. 31**, 8 p.m. - 12:30 a.m. (New Year's Eve)

For questions about the Holly Jolly Trolley, call 269.388.2830.



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