

WAYNE ACCLAIM

■ All 39 members of the Associate Degree Nursing Class of 2019 passed the **National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN)** on their first attempt. That program's three-year trending average is 95 percent for first time passage. The national average is around 87.5 percent.

■ Around 120 middle and high school students benefitted from **camps** put on by Workforce Continuing Education this summer. Topics included Allied Health, Animal Science, Aviation, Business, Sewing, and Video Games. In the three years that WCE

has held camps, the number has grown from two to nine.

■ Fifty-two **Foster Grandparents** from WAGES have been on campus for morning classes. They rotate through two-week sessions on Spanish, computer skills, and art. This is the 16th year the college has provided "summer school" for this group.

■ The college conducted a two-day **Agriculture and Natural Resources Workshop** for 19 middle and high school agriculture teachers from all over the state. Topics were presented from each of the college's ag program areas, such as weed identification, gardening techniques, tree identification, and basic livestock anatomy. The participants earned Continuing Education Units.

■ For the 10th year, WCC provided **high school automotive teachers** with their 20 hours of required annual training. This year,



WCC President Walker and University of North Carolina at Pembroke Chancellor Robin G. Cummings signed an agreement to initiate **BraveStep**. The program allows students to be "co-admitted" to their institutions and have access to resources at both. Students begin their college career at WCC and can transfer into UNCP after completing 30 credit hours.

38 teachers tackled four topics over two days.

■ The Public Safety Division delivered newly mandated training to 10 Wayne County **School Resource Officers**. It also is partnering with Eastpointe to offer **Crisis Intervention Team** training to local law enforcement officers.

■ The Foundation of WCC co-hosted "**Carolina Voices**: Exploring the History, Humanities and Cultures of the Tar Heel State" with Carolina Public

Humanities, Carolina K-12, and Wayne County Friends of Public Education. In addition to two days of workshops for 37 Wayne County Public Schools teachers, the project included a public performance of "From Slavery to Civil Rights: An Aural History Tour" by gospel singer and educator Mary D. Williams.

■ The Foundation's 2019 **Scholarship Invitational** netted \$197,000 for student scholarships.

On the Docket

Practical Nursing Pinning Ceremony - 4 p.m., July 24
▪ Moffatt Auditorium

Dental Assisting Pinning Ceremony - 6 p.m., July 24
▪ Moffatt Auditorium

Rock for Wayne Concert - 7 p.m.-12 a.m., July 29
▪ Moffatt Auditorium

Basic Law Enforcement Training Graduation - 6 p.m., Aug. 7
▪ Moffatt Auditorium

Engage with WayneCC event for former Trustees and Foundation Directors - 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Aug. 27
▪ Walnut 101 and Campus

WCC Employee Convocation - 8 a.m., Aug. 12
▪ Moffatt Auditorium

Fall 2019 Semester First Day - Aug. 15



The construction of the **Automotive and Collision Repair Building** has commenced. A week after dozens of students and every ilk of dignitary flipped trucked-in dirt off parking-lot pavement with gold-painted shovels, bulldozers and excavators began the process of removing that asphalt and preparing to build.

SUMMER 2019



The Duke Energy Foundation has awarded the college \$7,500 for **Camp Kilowatt**. This was the 11th year of the STEM camp and the 10th year that the energy company has supported it. Since 2010, Duke Energy has invested \$171,622 in Camp Kilowatt.

This summer, two on-campus camps served 54 middle and high school students. For the third year, camps were also held at Brodgen, Grantham, and Spring Creek middle schools and for a second time with Faith Christian Academy middle schoolers, touching 75 students off campus.

KUDOS TO ...

■ Art Instructor **Angie Waller** for receiving an Innovation of the Year Award from the League for Innovation in the Community College for the “Art of Giving” philanthropic project she implemented in her courses.

Waller was presented a certificate from the League. She has been invited to submit a manuscript to League publications, present at the 2020 Innovations Conference in Seattle, Washington, and attend an awards reception at that conference.

■ Achievement Coach **Chad Evans** for being named the NC Association of Developmental Education’s Outstanding Alumnus of a Developmental

Education Program. He will receive the award at

the NCADE State Conference in October and will speak about his student experience and his current position.

■ **President Walker** for joining the Community Colleges for Democracy (CC4D) Leadership Board. CC4D, a network within Campus Compact, is dedicated to preparing community college students to be informed, active, and mobilized leaders. The board will ensure that the national Campus Compact organization is responsive to issues that matter to community colleges and that the voice of community

colleges is central in the pursuit of the public purposes of higher education.

■ **Ken Jones** for being chosen for the Director of the WCC Office of Communications position.

■ **Dr. Patty Pfeiffer** for being designated the Vice President for Academic and Student Services.

■ **Paul Compton** (35 years at WCC), **Cindy Sanford** (30 years), **Duane Everhart** (19 years), and **Dr. Michael Eagan** (12.25 years) on their imminent retirements. Their service to the college totals 92 years and 3 months.



A kickoff meeting for WCC’s new **Nissan/Infiniti Technician Training Academy** was held July 11. Personnel from area dealerships heard from corporate and college officials about how they can support and benefit from it. WCC is one of only 17 colleges across the country that will be an academy site. Nissan’s support has included the donation of two Titan trucks, a Sentra car, and a Kicks crossover vehicle, as well as engines, transmissions, and tools. It has also provided training for Transportation Department Chair Kevin Jordan and Automotive Instructor Bryant Keel at Nissan World Headquarters in Tennessee. Academy classes, which will be imbedded in the ATEP “multi-manufacturer” program, will be available for WCC students this fall.