

Monday Message

Jan. 25, 2021



President's Message: Dear all. We are a week in and at this point not only know the drill, but can see the light at the end of tunnel.

First, let me say again thank you. You simply cannot say thank you enough, especially when people go above and beyond, work outside of normal job expectations and contractual obligations, offering their time and expertise to help. Thank you to the nursing faculty and athletic training staff who volunteered during our recent testing clinics. As you recall, **we rocked it** with only two COVID-19 positives out of over 400 tests! We are planning surveillance testing about once a month as we move through the semester. We will canvas the on-campus resident students, and open up testing opportunities for LC State employees and off-campus students. Details will be forthcoming. Stay tuned to the Monday Message announcements.

LC State nursing students and faculty will also be helping our community in coordination with public health and regional health care providers as we ramp up vaccine clinics. Again, stay tuned for information specifics and details, and be sure to keep alert for your opportunity to be vaccinated. We will share and forward specifics through the Monday Message as information becomes available.

Thank you to our LC State COVID-19 Tactical Team. This group has dedicated thousands of hours to working through strategies, protocols and operational logistics taking us safely, one step forward each and every day.

I'll close by saying how very proud I am of our campus community. Not just because we, together, remain unfailingly committed to contagion transmission mitigation strategies (social distancing, hand hygiene, cleaning protocols, face coverings), but because we continue to steadfastly pursue our education mission, and make time, devote energy and resolve to sharing our time, energy and expertise with our campus and broader communities (through testing and vaccine clinics).

So, here we are – Week Two. We have much to be proud of and much to look forward to. Let's get after it. Go Warriors!

Events

- **Jan. 25-29 – Idaho Education Week** – President Pemberton will represent LC State at a number of presentations at the Capitol, all of which can be viewed live at the links below. She will be joined during the joint presentations by the presidents of Boise State University, Idaho State University, and the University of Idaho.
 - **Tuesday, 7 a.m.** – LC State presentation to the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee. [Watch Live](#)
 - **Wednesday, 8 a.m.** – Joint presentation to the House Education Committee. [Watch Live](#)
 - **Wednesday, 2 p.m.** – Join presentation to the Senate Education Committee. [Watch Live](#)
- **Jan. 26 – Tuesdays at Two** – President Pemberton's Tuesdays at Two will continue through Zoom (<https://lcsc.zoom.us/j/861031866>). All are welcome to join the conversation.
- **Feb. 11 – Ask & Answer** – Mark your calendar, President Pemberton will host Ask & Answer on Thursday, Feb. 11, from noon-1 p.m. on [Zoom – 915-3133-5166](#) (password: 936288).

Announcements

- **Coronavirus Updates & Risk Level:** For the latest coronavirus updates and information visit www.lcsc.edu/coronavirus. The page will continue to be updated with resources and FAQs. In accordance with its [Operational Levels](#), LC State's current risk level is: Moderate.
 - **Cases Update:** Currently there are **five** active cases and **no** students in isolation in campus housing. The college has had **17** confirmed cases this spring. For the latest numbers visit the coronavirus webpage.
 - **Vaccinations:** Information specific to [Idaho](#) and [Washington](#) is now linked on the coronavirus webpage.
- **New Mental Health Resource:** Therapy Assisted Online (TAO) includes over 150 brief, effective, self-help educational sessions covering over 50 common topics and skills related to mental health, wellness, and substance use issues. TAO includes interactive sessions, mindfulness exercises and practice tools all aimed at helping you achieve your goals. [Learn more and register for an account online](#). Contact the Student Counseling Center at counseling@lcsc.edu or 208-792-2211 if you have questions.
- **Spring All-Campus Meeting:** [Watch President Pemberton's Jan. 14 all-campus presentation](#). The slides from her presentation can be accessed on the Intranet.
- **New Website:** The soft launch of the new website is underway. The current site will continue to run as our "primary" website until Feb. 15, with the new website running live alongside it. This trial period gives us an opportunity to identify and correct any issues before officially switching over. It's a huge site with tons of pages and content, so help us help each other by communicating any issues you find to the department that manages the page in question.
- **Call for Nominations:** The Women's Leadership Conference (a faculty, staff and student volunteer event) is accepting nominations now through Feb. 10, 2021, for the 4th annual Women in Leadership Awards. Recipients will be announced at the completely virtual Women's Leadership Conference, March 5, 2021, and awarded to one woman from each of the three categories: one from LC State staff/faculty, one from the community, and one Rising Women's Leadership Award given to an LC State female student who is a role model to fellow students. [Submit nomination](#).
- **HR Updates:** For Warrior Wellness and Professional Development opportunities [view this week's flyer](#).

