

Monday Message

Nov. 16, 2020



President's Message: We've pretty much made it, and accomplished what most folks said could not be done. With this week we complete our fall 2020 live campus semester. Congratulations, Warriors! Congratulations and thank you faculty, staff, students, Board members, alumni and community stakeholders – all have had a hand in our ability to reach this important milestone.

As we wrap-up live in-person instruction for fall, I cannot stress enough how important it is to:

(1) live safe, protocol-compliant lives on and off campus (wear a face covering, practice social distancing, wash your hands, and avoid group gatherings);

(2) remember and remind yourself of what we are here for – our shared education mission, which means for faculty and staff to stay connected to our students, to continue working for and with them to help them successfully navigate a remote completion to the semester; and for students to study and prepare to rock their finals; and

(3) without skipping a beat, move purposefully forward planning for spring 2021 and beyond. That means maintaining our connections to each other, **reaching out to students and advisees to help make sure they register for spring**; and planning lights-out best ever teaching and learning as we move forward together with renewed hope.

What we are attempting and succeeding in doing is both challenging and exhausting. Know that what we do matters. We make a difference. So take heart, take good care of yourselves and your families; and know you are valued and very much appreciated.

Sincerely and Warmly,

Cynthia Pemberton, Ed.D.
President

Events

- **Nov. 17 – Tuesdays at Two** – President Pemberton's Tuesdays at Two continue through Zoom (<https://lcsc.zoom.us/j/861031866>). All are welcome to join the conversation.
- **Nov. 17 – Leader Spotlight: Kermit Mankiller** – The LC State Center for Student Leadership will host Kermit Mankiller at noon on Tuesday, Nov. 17, as its first LC State Leadership Series speaker. Mankiller's talk will be on "Leading with Confidence." Limited seating is available in SUB 143 or attend online at www.lcsc.edu/sub/center-for-student-leadership.
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- **Nov. 20, 21 – [Discovery Day](#)** – LC State has fall previews for prospective high school students and parents on Friday, Nov. 20, and Saturday, Nov. 21. Students have the opportunity to meet with professors and current students, tour campus, and see what LC State has to offer. For more information, please contact the Admissions Office at 2378.
- **Nov. 30 – Transition to Remote Delivery** – As planned, classes will transition to remote learning after Thanksgiving break. Ending face-to-face instruction at Thanksgiving break will allow students to complete the last two weeks of the semester remotely and avoid potential spikes in

infection rates related to Thanksgiving week travel. Final exams will be given remotely, though the Testing Center will remain open to accommodate some testing as will the Library, carefully maintained as a Clean Zone.

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 **20** active cases and **three** students in isolation in campus housing. The college has had **112** confirmed cases this fall. For the latest numbers visit the coronavirus webpage.
 - **Travel Guidelines:** [Spring 2021 travel guidelines](#) are now available. Current guidelines are subject to change as we continue to monitor COVID-19 or if the state implements new travel restrictions.
 - **Event Guidelines:** In alignment with Idaho's move to Stage 2, updated [events and conferences guidelines](#) are now available.
 - **Notification Guidelines:** A [guide for supervisors](#) for how to respond to and communicate about a COVID-19 case with employees is now available.
 - **Thanksgiving:** [Guidelines for Thanksgiving](#) and returning to work after the holiday are now available.
- **Student Registration:** Help us spread the word with current students that it's time to register for spring semester! Please remind them to get in touch with their advisor as soon as possible.
- **Tulip Planting:** LC State, as a community, has the opportunity to leave a lasting legacy and assist in planting 2,021 red tulips that will bloom each spring for many years to come. The tulips will be planted in locations across campus to create a feeling of renewal, pride, and joy every spring and remind us of our resilience and strength. We have everything needed to plant tulips for those that would like to take a break during the day and share in this special project envisioned by President Pemberton. To participate, please contact Angie in the Physical Plant at x2247 to arrange for a planting kit. A campus map will be provided to help you choose one of many location options. For those that are not "green thumbs," our resident expert Wayne Bolon can teach you how to plant a tulip. Tulip planting starts Monday, Nov. 16, and goes through Wednesday, Nov. 25, between the hours of 7 a.m.-4 p.m.
- **Holiday Card:** The 2nd Annual LC State Holiday Card Design Contest is now open for voting! Voting will be open through Friday, Nov. 20. Please take a moment to cast your vote for your favorite design from this year's submissions: https://lcsc.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0lnlZ0fjZS4Apm1.
- **Winter Revels:** Sadly, given the Idaho stage guidelines and COVID-19 case counts in our community, we will not be able to host Winter Revels. Instead, on Friday, Dec. 11, between 2-3 p.m. "every Who down in Whoville, the tall and the small" is invited to visit the Centennial Mall.
- **LC Cares:** This year, LC Cares is running a clothes and toy drive (new with tags only) from Nov. 13-Dec. 17. Please place your donations in the box in your building and they will be collected by

the LC Cares committee! If you know of any LC student or staff families in need this holiday season, please email Alaina Porquis at alporquis@lcsc.edu.

- **HR Updates:** For Warrior Wellness and Professional Development opportunities [view this week's flyer](#). To see a full list of upcoming PDT courses, including many being offered by the Office of Institutional Research & Effectiveness, visit: www.lcsc.edu/pdt. **WOW Award:** Do you know an employee who has gone "above and beyond" the expected? If so, please use the [Nomination Form](#) to recognize this individual. The winner receives an LC State memento, a traveling trophy, and a certificate! Each nominee will be entered into a drawing for a department pizza party at the end of the year.

