

Monday Message

Aug. 17, 2026



Dear all,

We have an action-packed week ahead!

- **Tuesday** Academic Affairs will host new faculty orientation. We have a number of new folks to welcome, and we are very happy to have them join our campus community.
- **Tuesday-Thursday** features various division/department retreats, meetings, and orientation activities.
- **Wednesday** begins with Residence Life move-in. If you happen to be out and about, don't hesitate to say hello and welcome students (and their families) as they move into their new home-away-from-home spaces. A special shout-out of appreciation to our Residence Life staff, supported by student workers and our Physical Plant painter, along with Communications & Marketing. They did an amazing job over the summer sprucing up residence hall spaces (cleaning, painting, wayfinding, and branding)!
- **Wednesday afternoon** is our All-Campus Meeting (1:30 p.m. in the Silverthorne) followed by Faculty Assembly (also in the Silverthorne), and then our annual Backyard Kick-Off event at the Residence (last chance to [RSVP](#)).
- **Friday** will begin with Convocation and [New Student Orientation](#), followed by the Serpentine March to Harris Field, group photo, and division/department lunches located across campus. The afternoon will include receptions for scholarship recipients.

Getting a running start on *Connecting Learning* to Life, Saturday morning you'll see our students (and faculty/staff) engaging various community service projects across campus and throughout the LC Valley. Saturday afternoon the Center for Arts and History will host the grand opening of The Gallery Nook (noon-2 p.m.), a newly created student space located in the CAH. This space combined with the America 250 commemorative exhibit, "Moments That Made Us," make the CAH a must-see spot!

It is a wonderful time to be a Warrior!

Cynthia Pemberton, Ed.D.

President

Announcements

Archery Club:

Club Sports & Intramurals is actively recruiting interested students in establishing an Archery Club on campus. Alongside students, the team would need a club advisor/coach. If you have a background in archery and are interested in learning more about being a club sports coach, please contact Clair Neelon, the program assistant for Club Sports & Intramurals, at cneelon@lcsc.edu or ext. 2804.

Fiscal Transparency:

Wondering how funds come in and are used to keep the education enterprise moving forward? As many are aware from past All-Campus Meetings, gestalt visuals in the way of pie charts have been shared. Thanks to the good work of Chris Jones our VPFA and his budget staff, the most recent visuals can be [found here](#). Feel free to take a look.

Fitness Center:

The Fitness Center is closed this week, Aug. 16-22, for deep cleaning.

Microsoft Publisher Access:

In October 2026, Microsoft Publisher will reach its end of life. After that time, it will no longer be included in Microsoft 365 and existing on-premises suites will no longer be supported. Microsoft 365 subscribers will no longer be able to open or edit Publisher files in Publisher. Until then, support for Publisher will continue and users can expect the same experience as today. Microsoft has provided [guidance](#) for how to prepare before October 2026. Suggested alternatives: PowerPoint, Word, or [Canva](#).

Moving Parts:

- **Construction Continues:**

Please be patient. The bulk of the various and numerous construction projects underway are subject to state funding expenditure deadlines and timelines overseen by the Idaho Department of Public Works (DPW). We are incredibly grateful for the state's support in making these projects possible, and while every effort is made to complete as much work as possible over the summer, there is no way to avoid construction commotion moving into the fall. Potential classroom disruption is being coordinated through VPs Hanson and Jones, working closely with the Registrar's Office; impacted faculty, staff and department leadership (e.g., division/department heads, deans, etc.); Physical Plant, and the state of Idaho contractors conducting the work. Some classes are being moved, at least temporarily.

- **Who does what and where are they organizationally/operationally aligned:**

If you are wondering about the Academic Affairs reorganization, [org charts and operational unit org charts](#) are available. And, [overall institution org charts](#) are now linked to our Colleague system.

Parking Permits:

Parking permits for 2026-27 are available for [purchase online](#).

Purchasing Bank of America Works Update:

Bank of America has changed how LC State accesses Works as part of a broader platform update. Works' functionality itself has not changed — only the login process. LC State employees now log into Bank of America's Global Card Access (GCA) first, then click into Works without needing separate credentials. Please visit the [Purchasing website](#) for details. Contact purch@lcsc.edu with any questions.

Warrior Blooms:

Help share the beauty of the LC Learning Garden! Request a complimentary bouquet (made with campus-grown blooms) to be delivered to a colleague who needs some extra joy in their day. Email sciences@lcsc.edu and include the recipient's name, their campus location for delivery, and a personal greeting for the card. Note: Bouquets are delivered as blooms are available.

Sodexo Faculty & Staff Meal Plans:

For this week only, Aug. 19-21, faculty and staff who purchase an “all you care to eat” Sodexo Commuter meal plan will receive an additional 10% in meals added to the Blue, Red, and Warrior Block plans. For example, if you buy a 60 meal block, 66 meals will be added to your account. Options include Blue Block 10 meals for \$85, Red Block 25 meals for \$197, and Warrior Block 60 meals for \$426. [Purchase online](#). For more information, contact Jim Piscitello at james.piscitello@sodexo.com.

Software License Chargeback Form:

Need a license for IT-managed software Claude AI, Zoom, Teams Phone, or Adobe products? Submit a request through the new [Software License Chargebacks](#) page, where Claude AI, Zoom, and Teams Phone will be charged back to your expense account, and Adobe quotes will be sent to you via Jaggaer cart. Visit the page for the request form and a full step-by-step guide.

Strategic Marketing Committee:

The Strategic Marketing Committee is looking to add members. Formed in 2020, the committee meets monthly and assists in the research, direction, and execution of LC State marketing and branding initiatives. It is chaired by Logan Fowler, chief communications and marketing/state and local affairs officer. If you're interested, please email ljfowler@lcsc.edu with a brief explanation of why you'd like to join and the perspective you'd add to the team.

Teams in the Classroom:

Need to use Microsoft Teams in an LC State classroom? [This guide](#) walks you through opening Teams, joining your meeting, and selecting the correct classroom camera, microphone, and speakers. It also includes quick troubleshooting tips and Help Desk contact options if something does not work as expected. This guide is also posted on [IT's website](#) under Faculty & Staff Resources -> Microsoft Teams.

Events

Keep up on events and activities through the [Campus Calendar](#) and the [Do More App](#)

Aug. 19 – All-Campus Meeting:

Join us on Wednesday, Aug. 19, for the Fall All-Campus Meeting in the Silverthorne Theatre from 1:30-3 p.m.

- The **Faculty Association Meeting** will take place immediately following the All-Campus Meeting in the Silverthorne Theatre from 3-4 p.m.
- [RSVP](#) to the **Fall Semester Kick-off Reception** at the President's Residence from 4-6 p.m. Enjoy refreshments, hors d'oeuvres, and live music as we kick off the new academic year.

Aug. 21 – Convocation & [New Student Orientation](#)

Aug. 22 – The Gallery Nook Grand Opening: Warriors will have a new space to connect, be creative, and build community with the opening of The Gallery Nook at the Lewis-Clark State College Center for Arts & History. CAH will celebrate the grand opening of The Gallery Nook from noon to 2 p.m. Aug. 22 at the Center. Students, families, and the public are invited. [Learn more.](#)

Aug. 24 – Classes Begin

Aug. 26 – Welcome Fair from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

News & Features

Stay current on [LC State news](#)

- [Center for Arts & History opens new student space, The Gallery Nook](#)
- [Center for Arts & History exhibit explores America's 250 years and the 'Moments That Made Us'](#)
- [LC State leads Idaho to highest NCLEX first-time pass rate in the West](#)

Song for the Week: “[Can’t Stop the Feeling!](#)” by Justin Timberlake

