

Monday Message

Sept. 28, 2026



Dear all,

It's here! [Fall Frenzy & Family Week](#) and Alumni welcome home. The fall weather is wonderful and campus colors are beginning to turn. Be sure to take time to enjoy a bit of fun – the staff/faculty versus student dodgeball match on Friday at 1-2 p.m. is a personal favorite! See you at the SUB, in the Silverthorne, and on the court and field. Go Warriors!

Cynthia Pemberton, Ed.D.

President

P.S. Be sure to show your Warrior pride by sporting our school colors and LC gear all week – go **Red** and **Blue**!

Announcements

Advisor Updates/Training Sessions:

This year's advisor updates/training sessions will include an introduction to LC State's new early-intervention system, Retention Alert. You'll learn how this new tool can help you identify students who may need additional support and connect them with the resources they need to stay on track. All sessions will be offered live in RCH 202 and via [Teams](#) (meeting ID: 225 117 898 798 603; passcode: rM9xv6Eb). Due to technical difficulties during the first week of trainings, it would be helpful if you could let The Advising Center know if you plan to attend by emailing tac@lcsc.edu. If you experience any trouble accessing the Teams meeting, please email tac@lcsc.edu, and a personal invitation will be sent to you. Available sessions:

- Tuesday, Sept. 29, 12-1 p.m.
- Thursday, Oct. 1, 3-4 p.m.
- Wednesday, Oct. 7, 4-5 p.m.

CTE Dean Candidates:

Candidate presentations are underway for the position of dean of the School of Career & Technical Education. Charles Bell and Doug Cruthirds presented two weeks ago. [Learn more](#). To provide anonymous feedback about the candidates, click [here](#).

- Sept. 29, 4-5 p.m., LIB TCC – Annaliese Baker, M.Ed., MFA. **Cancelled** due to candidate withdrawing application.
- Sept. 30, 4-5 p.m., LIB TCC – Jared Berrett, Ph.D.

Dodgeball Signup:

Faculty and staff will need to bring their Warrior spirit to take back the trophy from the students during this Fall Frenzy & Family Weekend event. Please come to play or cheer on your colleagues at 1 p.m. Friday in the Activity Center West Auxiliary Gym. To sign up to play, email Tate Smith at ttsmith@lcsc.edu.

Excel Class:

Whether you're just getting started or looking to master advanced techniques, this is your chance to level up one of the most valuable tools in your professional toolkit. Join instructor Doug Cruthirds for a hands-on, three-part Excel series designed to take you from the basics all the way to expert-level skills. Each session builds on the last, making this the perfect opportunity to close knowledge gaps, discover time-saving tools, and walk away with skills you'll use every single day. Attend one session or all three — any level of participation is encouraged. All sessions will be held at Workforce Training in Clearwater Hall, located downtown. Register now: www.lcsc.edu/hr/pdt. Session Schedule:

- Beginner Excel: Sept. 30, 2-5 p.m.
- Intermediate Excel: Oct. 14, 2-5 p.m.
- Advanced Excel: Oct. 28, 2-5 p.m.

Feedback:

If you have a workplace concern, a question about where to turn, a compliment you'd like to pass along, or just something that's on your mind, the HR office has developed a new webpage: www.lcsc.edu/hr/employee-concerns. The page lays out all the reporting options available to you, including ways to reach out confidentially or completely anonymously if you prefer. It also includes reporting options through the State of Idaho, so everything is in one spot and easy to find. As always, you're also welcome to reach out to anyone in the HR office directly.

Heating:

Physical Plant intends to start the central boilers the week of Oct. 5. The system provides heat to the Administration Building, SUB/CSL, Talkington Hall, Expedition Hall, Reid Centennial Hall (RCH), and the Music Building. Start-up at RCH will also require testing of the new steam valves installed through the deferred maintenance program. Physical Plant has a limited number of space heaters that can be checked out to stave off the cooler morning temperatures and are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. As a reminder, please plug space heaters directly into a wall outlet, and ensure they have tip-over protection. Do not plug them into outlet strips, surge protectors, or

extension cords as this creates a fire risk. Contact Physical Plant at ext. 2247 for more information or to request a space heater. Physical Plant is also happy to inspect any space heaters you may have purchased to ensure they are operated safely.

Institutional Development Grant:

Faculty and staff are invited to submit applications for [institutional development grants](#) for the fall 2026 awarding cycle. Institutional Development Grants are funded through student fees and support select educational activities that enhance the student experience across LC State programs. The application is live and will be accepted through Oct. 2. Funded activities must be scheduled to begin after the application deadline and conclude prior to October of 2027. Questions may be directed to Maria Hattrup in Student Affairs at studentaffairs@lcsc.edu.

Key Audits:

Public Safety will be conducting key audits starting the first week of October. Campus employees with one or more keys to buildings, offices, or other campus spaces will be contacted by Public Safety and asked to bring their metal keys to the Public Safety office in MLH 110. During the audit, the inventory of metal keys as well as Salto (electronic key) access will be reconciled with the list kept by Public Safety. Key audits are required by the State of Idaho and help ensure the campus community, facilities, and assets are secure. For more secure areas, it may be necessary to renew supervisor-approved access authorizations after the audit.

Student Artwork:

Join LC State art students at the Center for Arts & History during the Lewiston Downtown Artwalk at 5-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 2, and 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3. Art students will have their work displayed alongside CAH's fall exhibit, "Rooted In The Palouse." LC State's Art Club is also seeking three participants for their cardboard sculpt-off event taking place from 9:30 a.m.-noon Oct. 3 at the Workforce Training building; voting for the People's Choice award will begin at noon.

Vector Solutions Training:

The annual Vector Solutions compliance training is available and must be completed by Oct. 30. Employees were sent a notification when the training became available. We encourage you to complete your assigned courses before the deadline to help ensure our institution remains compliant. If you have any questions about the training requirements or accessing the platform, please contact Human Resource Services.

Work Scholars & Worksites:

The LC Work Scholar application for students and worksites is open for spring 2027, closing on Oct. 16. Contact the [Financial Aid Office](#) at 208-792-2224 or lcworkscholars@lcsc.edu with questions.

- Work Scholars work 10 hours a week and receive a paid tuition scholarship, a biweekly stipend, and valuable professional work experience. To be eligible,

students must be full time, have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher, be of sophomore status or higher, be an Idaho resident, and show need of their completed FAFSA (Pell Eligible). Applications can be completed on [Handshake](#) and more information can be found [here](#).

- Worksites across campus, or from the community, can partner with LC State to provide students with opportunities to grow as professionals. Worksites receive 150 hours of high-quality work per semester while helping guide students to grow their skills and professional network. Participating worksites meet with students at regular intervals throughout the semester to ensure they are on track to succeed. Worksite applications can be completed [here](#), and more information can be found [here](#).
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Events

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

Sept. 28-Oct. 3 – Fall Frenzy & Family Weekend + Alumni Welcome Home:

“Homecoming” has moved back to fall and will be incorporated into Fall Frenzy & Family Weekend. Check the [event schedule](#) for more details.

Oct. 2-3 – Home Athletic Events:

Warrior volleyball plays Bushnell at 6 p.m. Friday and Corban at 4 p.m. Saturday in the P1FCU Activity Center. Saturday is “Red Rush Night” and attendees are encouraged to wear red to show their Warrior pride. The match is also Alumni Night and LC State graduates can win free swag by stopping at the entry table. Also on Saturday, Warrior baseball hosts a scrimmage against Gonzaga University at noon at Harris Field. A special announcement regarding the Avista NAIA World Series will be made before the game. Learn more at www.lcwarriors.com.

Oct. 2 – "Rooted In The Palouse" Opening Reception:

5-9 p.m., 415 Main St., Lewiston. All are welcome to attend the opening reception for LC State Center for Arts & History's next exhibit, "Rooted In The Palouse." The exhibit showcases eight regional artists as a celebration of the diverse creative voices of the Palouse. The opening reception, held in conjunction with Lewiston Downtown Artwalk (more info above), will include an artist meet-and-greet, an art demonstration, live music, and refreshments. The exhibit will be on display Sept. 29-Dec. 19 at the Center.

Oct. 4 – WA-ID Symphony:

The Washington Idaho Symphony will hold a concert at the Silverthorne Theatre on Sunday at 3 p.m. The event is free to LC State students, sponsored by the President's office.

Oct. 8 – Career & Internship Fair:

On Thursday, Oct. 8, LC State will host its annual Career & Internship Fair. This is a signature event that provides LC State students the opportunity to explore internship, employment, and graduate school options. Embedded in this event is a special visitation program called “[High School Career Expo](#),” wherein regional high school students and their teachers or counselors are invited to campus to meet some of the employers participating in the fair and learn about LC State’s programs. Approximately 50 businesses and graduate schools are expected to attend this year’s fair. This is an opportunity to show students the value and power of credentials earned at LC State and directly connects the education we provide to career opportunities. LC State looks forward to welcoming these future Warriors to campus.

Oct. 12 – Indigenous Peoples Day:

LC State’s Native American Club will hold an Indian Taco sale near the Student Union Building/Center for Student Leadership from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. In the afternoon, Nakia Cloud, LC State alumnus and Nez Perce language instructor, will offer a presentation focused on “Seasonal Rounds of the Nimiipuu” from 3-4:15 p.m. in SAC 112. Students, faculty, staff, and the general public are welcome to attend.

Oct. 14-15 – State Board of Education Meeting:

LC State will host the Idaho State Board of Education beginning at 1 p.m. on Oct. 14, and at 9 a.m. on Oct. 15. Details to come.

News & Features

Stay current on LC State news

- [LC State adult learner named Idaho’s Adult Education Student of the Year](#)
- [LC State climbs to No. 6 in U.S. News & World Report rankings](#)
- [New CAH exhibit celebrates the artistic breadth of the Palouse](#)
- [Arizona artist to deliver 45th Stegner Lecture](#)
- [Four candidates named for dean of LC State’s CTE program](#)
- [Fall Frenzy & Family Weekend to welcome home alumni](#)

Song for the Week: “[See You Again](#)” by Wiz Khalifa featuring Charlie Puth

