

Monday Message

Feb. 23, 2026



Dear all,

You may have noticed an announcement in last week's Message about Warrior Wednesday. Warrior Wednesday is a Student Involvement initiative and one of ASLCSC's legacy projects. The goal is to promote school spirit and encourage the campus community to show their Warrior pride by wearing school colors and LC gear, on Warrior Wednesdays. I think this is a terrific idea, and the timing could not be more perfect because in response to big wins this past weekend we will be hosting the Cascade Collegiate Conference men's basketball opening round tournament this Wednesday!

Go Warriors!

Cynthia Pemberton, Ed.D.

President

Announcements

BUCS Division Chair:

LC State is soliciting internal campus nominations for the position of interim chair of the Business & Computer Science Division for the 2026-2027 academic year. Nominations should be submitted to academicaffairs@lcsc.edu no later than Feb. 27.

 [More information](#)

Hacking & Healthcare:

From medical devices to patient data, healthcare systems are increasingly connected and increasingly vulnerable. On Thursday, Feb. 26, from noon-1:30 p.m. in SAC 115, senior computer science students will explore cybersecurity in healthcare, share hands-on experiences, and demonstrate how digital threats can impact medical technology. A Q&A will follow the presentation. Light snacks will be available at 11:45 a.m., provided by Idaho INBRE.

HR Updates:

- **New Wellness Perk:** LC State faculty and staff can enjoy 25% off IV Vitamin Therapies and all wellness services at [IVO2 Infused](#). Just show your Warrior ID card at checkout.
- **Professional Development & Wellness:** www.lcsc.edu/hr/pdt
 - Feb. 24 – Emburse Expense Report Process
 - Feb. 26 – Emburse Approval Process
 - [Online financial workshops through Fidelity](#)

Name Change:

LC State remains in a holding pattern. The name change bill ([Senate Bill 1234](#)) remains with the House Education Committee chair awaiting agenda assignment for a hearing. For updates visit www.lcsc.edu/university.

P-Card Update:

Effective March 1, Bank of America will implement enhanced authentication for certain online P-Card transactions using a One-Time Passcode (OTP). OTP is being introduced to support online merchants that use additional security measures. Currently, these transactions may decline and require a phone call to complete. With OTP, cardholders will be able to authenticate qualifying transactions through a self-service process. The number of transactions requiring OTP is expected to be very limited. For instructions on setting up OTP and answers to frequently asked questions, please visit the [Purchasing website](#). If you have questions, contact Purch@lcsc.edu.

IT Upcoming Submission Deadlines:

Most projects on campus require IT involvement. If you are undergoing alterations in your area (e.g., updating a classroom or office), please inform IT of any projects to occur over summer by March 1. Likewise, if you need changes to the hardware or software in the computer labs for fall 2026 classes, the deadline to inform IT is April 1. Email helpdesk@lcsc.edu by these deadlines to ensure your summer projects and computer lab changes are on IT's schedule. Requests submitted after these deadlines cannot be guaranteed for summer completion.

Research Assistance Workshops:

The Library is introducing a pilot [Research Assistance Workshop](#) series designed specifically for students. These sessions will take place on Thursdays at 3 p.m. Students must register in advance, bring their research questions, and meet with LC State librarians to gain practical tips and strategies for effectively using LC State's research resources. Registration is available through a link on the Library's main [webpage](#) under the "Events" section. Faculty are asked to share this opportunity with their students. The first workshop is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 26, at 3 p.m., so students should register soon. Space is limited to 10, with a wait list.

Student Employment & Career Readiness Center:

- **Feb. 25** – [Professional Communication in the Workplace](#): This session is designed to help students build real-world communication skills they'll use in jobs, internships, and campus roles. ACW 134, 3-4 p.m.

Work Scholars:

Applications for the fall 2026 LC Work Scholars program are now open for both students and interested worksites. The Work Scholar program is designed to help students secure financial security by providing a full tuition scholarship and biweekly stipend, while also providing them with valuable real world work experience at 10 hours of work a week. Interested students must be an Idaho resident, maintain full-time student status while in the program, maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA or higher, and show financial need from their FAFSA (Pell eligible). Students can apply on Handshake and find more information on the [Work Scholars students](#) page. Worksites can benefit from having a Work Scholar as they receive motivated student employees providing 150 hours of work throughout the semester without breaking the budget. Visit the [Work Scholars worksite](#) page to access more information as well as the application to become a worksite. The deadline for both work scholars and worksites is March 13.

Events

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

Feb. 25-28 – Athletics Home Events:

The men's basketball team hosts Northwest University at 7 p.m. on Wednesday in the Cascade Collegiate Conference quarterfinals. Students, faculty and staff get in free. If the Warriors win, they'll host the semifinal game at 7 p.m. on Saturday. Learn more at www.lcwarriors.com.

March 3-12 – Women's History Month:

America's 250th birthday will take center stage at this year's [Women's History Month](#) celebrations. The events, which are open to all, are scheduled for March 3-12 under the theme "Rebels with a Cause" and will look at the roles women have played in history, especially the American Revolution.

March 10-20 – Native American Awareness Week:

LC State will celebrate its 39th annual [Native American Awareness Week](#) on March 10-20 with a variety of speakers, events, a banquet, and powwows. This year's theme is "Reflections of Culture & Environment." All events are free and open to the public.

March 26 – Employee Recognition Event:

The Employee Recognition event has been moved up to Thursday, March 26, from 2-4 p.m. and will be held at the Center for Arts & History. The event will have an art-gallery style format, with award recipients serving as the "artists" and guests invited to walk around, visit with them, and offer congratulations. Emeriti will also be recognized on the

screen and are also encouraged to attend as “artists.” Hors d’oeuvres will be served, and we encourage everyone to join us. All award criteria and requirements are listed on the [website](#). Remember that up to three awards may be given to staff members – CSO, PSO, and the Dr. Cameron D. & Marilyn K. Hinman Award. Division Chairs must submit emeritus nominations to academicaffairs@lcsc.edu by Feb. 27.

News & Features

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- [LC State to host Women’s History Month presentations in March](#)
 - [LC State student places second at regional trap shooting championship](#)
 - [LC State hosts Veteran Education Partner Summit March 10-12](#)
 - [LC State moves Homecoming to spring, April 20-25](#)
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Song for the Week: [“Can’t Stop the Feeling!”](#) by Justin Timberlake

