

Monday Message

July 13, 2026



Dear all,

My grandmother used to tell me, “Honey, it’s not bragging when it’s true.” And so, in that vein I want to share some exceptional LC State achievement news. Read on...

As you likely know, this summer we hosted terrifically successful STEM experience camps (i-Stem and Camp Invention), and knocked it out of the park with our first ever [Healthcare Careers Academy](#), a one-week pre-college hands-on program featuring LC’s state-of-the-art HILL, lab and classroom activities, site-based healthcare exploration at the Lewis-Clark Hypertension Clinic, Kidney Center, and LC Smiles dental clinic; as well as guest presentations from Public Health Idaho and Gritman Medical Center’s sport medicine. Thank you to all (staff, faculty, community partners) whose collective efforts made these events nothing less than excellent!

LC’s demonstrated healthcare educational excellence was showcased **once again**, achieving not only Idaho’s [highest four-year NCLEX first-time pass rate](#) but the highest across a three-state region (Oregon, Washington and Idaho)! Kudos to our Nursing program staff and faculty as well as all our strong pre-nursing academic preparation and advising support. Your good work made these outcomes possible!

LC State’s Center for Arts & History was recognized as the winner of the [Best of the LC Valley 2026](#) event in the “entertainment and leisure” category, and LC’s Magen Fairley won in the “people” category for best college professor.

LC State athletics earned Cascade Collegiate Conference Presidents' Cup Academic Excellence status for the sixth consecutive school year. The award criteria require a combined GPA of 3.0 or better among student-athletes, with at least 60% of student-athletes eligible to receive Academic All-Cascade Conference recognition doing so. LC State led Cascade Conference fulltime member institutions with 79% of eligible student-athletes earning Academic All-Cascade Conference honors!

Proud to be a Warrior!

Cynthia Pemberton, Ed.D.

President

Announcements

Academic Affairs Reorg:

As many of you know, Academic Affairs is undergoing a [reorganization](#). It will now oversee the School of Arts, Sciences & Innovation; the School of Health Professions; the School of Career & Technical Education; and [LC State Elevate](#). The web office thanks you for your patience as it works to restructure the website accordingly this summer.

Financial Aid Changes:

Federal financial aid regulations have changed how eligibility is determined for student loans and Pell Grants, starting with the 2026-2027 Award Year. Detailed information on these changes can be found on the [Financial Aid Office website](#) or by calling 208-792-2224. The five changes are:

1. The proration of student loan eligibility for part-time students.
2. Federal Pell Grant eligibility if non-federal aid meets or exceeds a student's cost of attendance.
3. Reduced eligibility for Parent Loan borrowers.
4. Delayed disbursements to students until week three of the semester.
5. Change of Payment Deadline to Day 10 of the semester.

Parking Permits:

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

- Annual Permit: \$95
- Semester Permit: \$65
- Second Vehicle Permit: \$25
- Replacement Permit: \$25

SUB/CSL Power Outage & Temporary Office Relocation:

Due to an electrical panel upgrade, the SUB/CSL will be without power for 1-2 weeks starting today, July 13. Events and Campus Card Services, as well as the campus switchboard, have been relocated to RCH, Room 21, for the interim. All other offices in the SUB/CSL will be working from other temporary office locations and have access to email and phone during this time. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

Testing Center:

Due to carpet replacement, the Testing Center will be offering limited testing at an alternate location from Monday, July 6, to Friday, July 17. Scheduled exams will be proctored in Library 104, and signage will be posted to direct testers where to check

in. Appointments will only be available with start times of 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Additionally, the Testing Center will only offer Canvas exams for classes at LC State. Students wishing to make an appointment can email or call the Testing Center at ext. 2318. Placement and vendor exams will be open again starting Monday, July 20.

Travel:

Please be aware that new State of Idaho Travel Policy changes took effect July 1. The Controller's Office is currently reviewing these changes and will provide additional guidance through updated Travel Policies and a revised Travel Procedure Manual once the review process is complete. In the meantime, information regarding the changes can be found here: [State of Idaho Travel Policy Changes](#) and the updated [State Travel Policies and Procedures](#). We appreciate your patience as we work through these updates during the busy fiscal year-end period. Additional information will be shared with campus as soon as it becomes available. Feel free to contact Calahan McAlister at ext. 2206 or cmmcalister@lcsc.edu with any questions.

Warrior Blooms:

Would you like to share the beauty of a lovely bouquet with a campus colleague? Campus friends are invited to request complimentary bouquets made with blooms grown in the LC Learning Garden. Make your request by emailing sciences@lcsc.edu the following info: recipient name, recipient location for campus delivery, and a few short words you'd like written on the card. Bouquets will be delivered starting Aug. 1 and as blooms are available.

Welcome Fair:

Registration for Welcome Fair 2026 is now open. Welcome Fair will take place on Wednesday, Aug. 26, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. and is one of the best opportunities to connect with new and returning students, share information about your organization or department, and kick off the academic year. [Register here](#) to reserve your spot.

Events

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

July 14 – “Moments that Made Us” Exhibit Opens:

The Center for Arts & History is pleased to present “Moments that Made Us,” an exhibition exploring the enduring ideals of the Declaration of Independence through the lens of Idaho’s role in America’s 250-year story. The exhibit will run from July 14-Sept. 12. Organized around five foundational themes — Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness; Consent of the Governed; Created Equal; Free and Independent States; and We Mutually Pledge to Each Other — the exhibition examines how these principles have shaped Idaho’s history and identity. Through stories, events, and individuals from across the state, visitors will discover how national ideals have been interpreted and realized close to home. The exhibition also highlights significant moments from

Lewiston's history, connecting local experiences to the broader American story. As the nation celebrates its 250th anniversary, "Moments that Made Us" invites visitors to reflect on the values, people, and events that continue to shape our communities and our country.

News & Features

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- [LC State leads Idaho to highest NCLEX first-time pass rate in the West](#)
 - [Alumnus helps patients live life to the fullest, exemplifying LC State's healthcare education role](#)
 - [LC State program recognized for reading education teacher preparation](#)
 - [LC State MSN program earns accreditation, launches direct entry option](#)
 - [America 250 the focus of fifth annual Student Democracy Day](#)
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Song for the Week: "[Don't Stop Me Now](#)" by Queen

