

# Monday Message

July 14, 2025



Dear all,

In an earlier message I gave folks a heads-up about numerous facilities and grounds projects that would take place over these summer months. This week and next, I'll share some updates. Read on for a few project highlights.

**Grounds – Grass:** As you can tell from the grounds patchwork evident across campus, we are once again (we hope somewhat finally) addressing the multi-summer grounds restoration project resulting from the City of Lewiston reservoir breach a few years ago. This has been a long, labor-intensive and often frustrating project (with ongoing “touch-ups” likely taking place through fall). That said, we are getting closer to the parklike campus grounds we hold dear.

**Grounds – Trees:** LC State is proud to have received formal recognition by the National Arbor Day Foundation for the commitment we have made to have trees on our campus. Implied with that commitment is making sure the trees are healthy and safe. Our Arboretum Committee recommended that we consider removing damaged and/or diseased trees including one of the large silver maples on the west end of Reid Centennial Hall. The committee offered sound reasons and robust evidence to support their recommendations. Even so, we wanted to be sure it wasn't possible to save the trees identified. And so, we contracted with a professional arborist to render an assessment. Sadly, that assessment confirmed that we really have no choice but to remove the unhealthy trees. Over the next weeks we'll say goodbye to one of our grand old dames, as well as address a few other removal and tree trimming projects.

**7th Street and 10th Avenue property:** Last year we obtained a house on the corner of 7th Street and 10th Avenue. The house was known simply as “the brown house.” We evaluated whether we could make strategic investments and add the house to our campus residence inventory but, in the end, that option was infeasible and the decision was made to raze the house. This work was completed last month. For at least the near term the lot will be covered with gravel and may be used for auxiliary storage.

**Reid Centennial Hall HVAC and Admin Building flood-proofing:** As of this message, the Reid Centennial Hall HVAC project is nearing completion (something the offices, services and supports housed there are more than a little excited about)! And, just as one project has the end in sight, the next one begins. Over the next four-plus months the Admin Building will undergo an exterior project to address past and potential flooding issues, as well as stairway and stairwell repairs. The project will be both unsightly at times and disruptive, but it is necessary, and so we Warrior on.

Cynthia Pemberton, Ed.D.  
President

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## Announcements

- **CDA Operations:** To capitalize on existing and emerging opportunities and synergies, and to help meet some of the region's greatest needs, Lewis-Clark State College is streamlining and expanding its operational and programmatic focus in Idaho Region 1. Learn more in this [news release](#).
- **Closure of RCH on July 16 Morning:** For the Reid Centennial Hall (RCH) HVAC project mentioned above, a large crane will be on campus Wednesday, July 16. This will result in the

closure of RCH, the west RCH parking lot, and portions of 6th street that morning. Public Safety will lock RCH doors and cone off the impacted areas on the evening of July 15. Thank you for helping accommodate this work.

- **Duo Authentication Changes:** To meet new Microsoft security requirements, LC State is updating Duo multi-factor authentication for LC State accounts. When you sign in, you'll see a "Verification Required" screen and will need to enter a code from your sign-in screen into the Duo app instead of just tapping "approve." This extra step helps better protect your account from phishing and unauthorized access. This code method is the same process you experience when signing into Luma. This change will occur on Wednesday, July 16. To learn more and see screenshots of the new process [please visit this page](#).
- **Fire Alarm Testing:** Mandatory annual fire alarm testing/inspections is taking place through Aug. 1. You will hear intermittent bells and alarms going off throughout the scheduled day below for each building. Exiting the building during testing is not necessary, however, if smoke or fire is seen please do evacuate and call 911. Fire sprinkler system testing will occur July 17-18 to complete all sprinklered buildings on campus. Note: Reid Centennial Hall isn't on the list below due to deferred maintenance and will be scheduled later in the summer. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Physical Plant at x2247.
  - July 14 – Clark Hall, Spalding Hall, Meriweather Lewis Hall, Thomas Jefferson Hall
  - July 15 – Sacajawea Hall, Mechanical Technical Building
  - July 16 – Library, Wittman Complex, Sam Glenn Complex
  - July 17 – Center for Arts & History, Library, Clearwater Hall
  - July 18 – SUB/Center for Student Leadership
  - July 18 – P1FCU Activity Center (final testing day)
  - Aug. 1 – Schweitzer Career & Technical Education Center
- **Fiscal Year Calendars:** Graphic Communication Printshop is taking preorders for the 25-26 Fiscal Year Calendars. The calendars will be \$3.50 apiece. Please send an IDP to the printshop for purchase. For questions call x2252.
- **MSN Accreditation Visit:** The Division of Nursing & Health Sciences will host a site visit by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) Sept. 22–24 as part of the accreditation process for its Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) program. As part of the accreditation process, CCNE requires that program constituents and other interested parties, such as students, alumni, faculty, and the practice community, have an opportunity to submit, in writing, comments concerning a program's qualifications and accreditation. For more information about the visit and how to submit feedback, please read this letter from [Division Chair Michelle Pearson-Smith \(PDF\)](#).
- **Outdoor Adventures & Rentals Updates:**
  - **Open at Hells Gate State Park:** Summer's here and so are beach rentals at Hells Gate State Park! Outdoor Adventures offers hourly paddleboard, kayak, and float tube rentals every Friday-Sunday from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. through Aug. 3. Come cool off, relax, and explore the river – no reservation needed! Call 208-792-2670 or email [outdooradventures@lcsc.edu](mailto:outdooradventures@lcsc.edu) for more information.
  - **Float n' Tote Rentals – Gear Up for Summer:** Outdoor Adventures has rafts, kayaks, paddleboards, camping gear, and more – everything you need for your next weekend getaway or outdoor adventure. It's open all summer long, with weekend rentals available. Rentals are open to everyone in the LC Valley including students, staff, faculty, and community members alike. Call 208-792-2670 or email [outdooradventures@lcsc.edu](mailto:outdooradventures@lcsc.edu) to start your reservation today.
- **Parking Permits:** 2025-2026 parking permits are available. [Register and pay online](#). Permits must be picked up at the Department of Public Safety office.
  - Annual Permit - \$95
  - Semester Permit - \$65
  - Additional Permit - \$25
- **Teams Phone Updates:**
  - **Calling a Department on Teams:** To reach a department, dial its published extension instead of searching for the department name in the Teams address book. If you do not

know the extension, utilize the [online campus directory](#). Teams Phone numbers are assigned to users' email accounts and not department email accounts as that would have required an additional cost per department account. For example, if you need to call the Helpdesk, dial 2231 instead of searching for "Helpdesk". When you search Helpdesk in Teams, it will present the department email account for the Helpdesk which does not have a number assigned to it.

- **Desktop Phones:** IT has visited all offices on campus and believes it has picked up all the desktop phones. If any were missed, please send an email to [helpdesk@lcsc.edu](mailto:helpdesk@lcsc.edu) with the location of the phone and it will be retrieved.
  - **University Name Change:** For frequently asked questions, information, and ongoing updates regarding the initiative to evolve LC State's moniker to "Lewis-Clark State University" visit [www.lcsc.edu/university](http://www.lcsc.edu/university). Also, please share this webpage with others who want to learn more.
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## Events

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

- **July 24 – Alumni & Community Welcome Back Jeremiah Robbins Reception:** LC Valley alumni and friends, join us on Thursday, July 24, from 5-7 p.m. at the alumni-owned Vista House at Point A as we welcome back three-time national champion and LC State Athletics Hall of Famer, Jeremiah Robbins. Celebrate his return as he steps into the role of 12th head coach in Warrior baseball history. This free, public event is open to guests 21 and older. Enjoy a no-host bar and the option to pre-purchase food for \$8 or purchase at the door for \$10 (while supplies last). [RSVP and purchase tickets](#).
  - **Aug. 7 – Employee Appreciation & Summer Concert Series:** To recognize your hard work and contributions, LC State is holding employee appreciation festivities via a Summer Concert Series on July 9, and Aug. 7. Mark your calendars and get ready for great music, exquisite food, and a well-deserved celebration.
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## News & Features

Stay current on LC State news at [www.lcsc.edu/news](http://www.lcsc.edu/news)

- [Fourth annual Student Democracy Day to be held Aug. 4](#)
  - [Welcome back social for coach Jeremiah Robbins is July 24](#)
  - [LC State streamlining services, expanding programs in Coeur d'Alene](#)
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**Song for the Week:** ["Good Day Sunshine"](#) by the Beatles

