

# Monday Message

Feb. 13, 2023



Dear all,

What a roaring start to our one hour/week all-hands-in initiative to convert potential student prospects into fall 2023 enrollees (if you aren't sure what this means, please review [last week's message](#)). Just prior to the pandemic, we (LC State) finalized a co-admit/co-enrollment agreement with Walla Walla Community College. It was no small feat to coordinate admissions and financial aid logistics, but working with our WWCC partners we did it! Then of course the pandemic hit and the partnership program didn't really get much traction. That changed last week.

Last Wednesday, LC State hosted 15 visitors from WWCC, including its VP of instruction and several deans and chairs. These guests were treated to a tour of our Hospitality Suite, Harris field, and the nursing simulation lab. After the tour, Soo Lee Bruce-Smith and Laura Hughes explained the admissions and financial aid process for transferring and co-enrolled students. The impetus for this event was a relationship building visit to Walla Walla by deans Martin Gibbs and Luther Maddy last April. At that meeting, it was decided the next step was to get our respective chairs together.

After the tour, Sr. Vice President/Vice President for Student Affairs Andy Hanson and I welcomed the group that now included the deans from Liberal Arts & Sciences and Professional Studies and chairs and lead faculty from Humanities; Social Sciences; Physical, Life, Movement & Sport Sciences; Business & Computer Science; Teacher Education & Mathematics; and Nursing & Health Sciences. After lunch, the real work began when LC State's chairs and faculty met with their counterparts to discuss LC State's programs and the transfer and co-enrollment process. Both schools learned more about each other, and excellent relationships were forged or rekindled. The comments from WWCC and LC State have been extremely positive and there are plans underway to continue these meetings, with WWCC in Clarkston hosting the next one.

Congratulations and thank you to all who participated in this terrific partnership relaunch. It is one more example of initiative taken to help us make our enrollment climb.

Cynthia Pemberton, Ed.D.  
President

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## Events

- **Feb. 14 – Tuesday @ Two – Cancelled** due to President Pemberton's travel schedule. Be sure to check the Monday Message weekly for schedule updates.
- **Feb. 17 – Stegner Lecture** – Idaho Writer in Residence CMarie Fuhrman will speak at the 41st annual Lewis-Clark State College Stegner Lecture on Feb. 17 at 7 p.m. at the college's Center for Arts & History. [News Release](#).
- **Feb. 23 – Healthcare Job Fair** – Eighteen employers and one graduate program will be in Sacajawea Hall from 4:30-6 p.m. to discuss healthcare careers with any interested LC State students. The following day, mock interviews will be available.

- **Feb. 28 – Student Fee Hearing** – The college will host its annual tuition and fee hearing. This is an opportunity for students to provide feedback on the proposed 2023-24 tuition and mandatory fees at LC State. The hearing will be held at 3 p.m. in SAC 112.
  - **March 1 – Priority Deadline** – The priority deadline for students who intend to apply for federal financial aid and institutional scholarships for fall 2023. This is also the deadline for students to apply for the [Idaho Opportunity Scholarship](#) with the State Board of Education. Students who complete the [FAFSA](#) and [institutional scholarship application](#) will receive priority consideration for federal and other financial assistance.
  - **March 15 – Ask & Answer** – Ask & Answer will be held in the SUB over the noon lunch hour. The first 10 who join the conversation enjoy lunch paid for by the President.
  - **March 23 – Faculty & Staff Recognition** – LC State will hold its annual Faculty & Staff Recognition event on Thursday, March 23, at 2 p.m. at the Williams Conference Center. Please add to your calendars. More details to come.
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## Announcements

- **Physical Plant:** LC State welcomes Redgy Erb as its new director of Physical Plant. Erb, a resident of Asotin, Wash., has worked as an architect since 2007, including as a project architect at the University of Idaho since 2017. Prior to becoming an architect he served as a safety coordinator at Clearwater Paper from 1991-2003. The Kamiah High School graduate holds a master's degree in architecture from the University of Idaho. His first day at LC State was today. Welcome, Redgy!
- **Did You Know?** You can connect to LC State's systems such as Redwood and Colleague while you are off campus. You will need to connect to the Virtual Private Network (VPN). To do this, your department director must email [helpdesk@lcsc.edu](mailto:helpdesk@lcsc.edu) or file a work order to give you access. You can contact the Help Desk if you are unsure of your VPN status. Learn more about faculty and staff resources at [www.lcsc.edu/it/faculty-staff-resources](http://www.lcsc.edu/it/faculty-staff-resources). Review this pages and then [take this week's quiz](#). If you're one of the first 10 to answer right, you'll win a prize (Swag prize location: Help Desk).
- **IT Notices:**
  - **Be Aware:** Last week, the Help Desk received an unusual number of phone calls about LC State accounts being locked out. The college experienced what is called a password spray attack. This attack loads a list of usernames into an automated login tool and then uses a password dictionary to attempt to force open the account. Due to LC State password security settings, each account will automatically lock after five failed attempts within five minutes. The account remains locked for 30 minutes before automatically unlocking, and the actual user can then log in. If a user finds their account locked out and needs immediate assistance, they can call the Help Desk, and IT can manually unlock the account. Fortunately, there is no evidence that the attack compromised any accounts. With Multifactor Authentication (MFA) added to an account, even if an account password was compromised, the false user would be required to use Duo or a registered YubiKey to provide a second layer of authentication. That second layer provides additional security to all user accounts. MFA goes fully online by the end of this week. Remember, never accept an MFA notification if you did not attempt to log in. If this happens, immediately notify [helpdesk@lcsc.edu](mailto:helpdesk@lcsc.edu).
  - **DON'T RISK BEING LOCKED OUT OF YOUR ACCOUNT!** Multifactor Authentication (MFA) is required beginning Feb.15. To prevent uninterrupted access to your email, Teams, and other Office 365 applications, please register with Duo before then.

Registration emails have been sent out each week from [no-reply@duosecurity.com](mailto:no-reply@duosecurity.com). If you have not yet registered and cannot find your Duo registration email, contact [helpdesk@lcsc.edu](mailto:helpdesk@lcsc.edu). You can read about the implementation, timeline, scope, and how to get started by going to IT's website [www.lcsc.edu/it/faculty-staff-resources/duo](http://www.lcsc.edu/it/faculty-staff-resources/duo).

- **HR Updates:**
  - **Popcorn and Pop-Up:** Join us for our first popcorn and pop-up event for faculty and staff this Thursday. Swing by MLH 100 any time between 3-4:30 p.m. for a snack and a surprise game hosted by HR.
  - **Training Tuesdays** are back! Please encourage your staff to attend.
    - Feb. 14, Excel Refresher, SAC 115, 3 p.m.
    - Feb. 21, Teams Refresher, SAC 115, 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.
    - Feb. 28, Completing Qualtrics Surveys, Zoom, 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.
- **Song for the Week:** "[Stolen Dance](#)" by Milky Chance

