

Monday Message

March 1, 2021



President's Message: Well all, as my grandmother used to say "...it's not bragging if it's true!" LC State, you and we ROCK! We had ZERO positive COVID-19 test results from our Feb. 19 testing session. We are closing in on the semester halfway mark and classes are in session, learning is happening, and even sporting events are taking place (with VERY limited fans allowed – and for conference competitions zero fans, per the conference regulations at this time). We are making extraordinarily effective use of virtual tools and environments (e.g., the Humanities Division programming over the past weeks has been engaging, interesting and highly accessible to students, faculty and community members in no small part because of streaming); and, we are moving forward with plans to hold safe, protocol-compliant (meaning social distancing, face coverings, etc.) outdoor commencement events (three in all) on Friday, May 14, to celebrate the truly laudable successes of our graduates. Stay the course and stay strong Warriors, stay strong!

Events

- **March 2 – Tuesdays at Two** – President Pemberton's Tuesdays at Two will continue through Zoom (<https://lscs.zoom.us/j/861031866>). All are welcome to join the conversation.
 - **March 2 – Skills Builder Workshop** – Join Kyle Ferguson on Tuesday at noon as he leads a discussion on communication following the TEDx presentation "The Power of Nonverbal Communication" with Joe Navarro. Limited seating in SUB/CSL 143 is available or attend [online](#).
 - **March 5 – Women's Leadership Conference** – The Women's Leadership Conference (a faculty, staff and student volunteer event) will be held virtually on March 5, 2021. [Register for event](#).
 - **April 9 – Faculty & Staff Recognition** – Mark your calendars for the Faculty & Staff Recognition Event on Friday, April 9, at 12:30 p.m. This year's event will be held in the Silverthorne for the award recipients (contingent upon COVID-19 realities). The campus community will be invited to watch via live stream.
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Announcements

- **Coronavirus Updates & Risk Level:** For the latest coronavirus updates and information visit www.lscs.edu/coronavirus. The page will continue to be updated with resources and FAQs. In accordance with its [Operational Levels](#), LC State's current risk level is: Minimal.
 - **Cases Update:** Currently there are **no** active cases and **no** students in isolation in campus housing. The college has had **20** confirmed cases this spring. For the latest numbers visit the coronavirus webpage.
- **Employee Appreciation:** Employee Appreciation Day is March 5 and the Human Resource Services office invites you to tell your co-workers how much you appreciate them by posting a message on its [Kudoboard](#). On March 8, the final Kudoboard will be posted in the Monday Message for everyone to enjoy.

- **ADA Projects:** An Idaho Division of Public Works (DPW) funded Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) project is scheduled to start in the summer of 2021. A few of the ADA modifications and improvements included in the project are: restrooms (resizing stalls and installing grab bars) in Wittman Complex (WITT), Mechanical Technical Building (MTB), Sam Glenn Complex, Williams Conference Center, Meriwether Lewis Hall, Library (LIB), Administration Building, and Reid Centennial Hall (RCH); entrance ramps at Expedition Hall, Clark Hall, and the Music Building; mailroom service counter; MTB welding shop classroom access; WITT tool counter; and various door openings in LIB, RCH, and the Activity Center. For a draft list of projects, please ask your respective President's Cabinet member.
- **Website Features:** In exploring the new website, did you see that there's a menu created specifically for faculty and staff? In the main navigation (the top blue bar) click on "For You" and then click "Faculty & Staff" on the left side. This will open a menu with the resources and links that our website analytics show faculty and staff use the most. Many of the "quick links" you remember from the old website can be found here. Your web browser will remember you clicked on "Faculty & Staff" last time, so truly these links are only a click away!
 - **Website Search:** While the new website launched without a hitch and is receiving excellent reviews, please note that the search function within the site may take some time to fully transition from the old site to the new. This transition is dependent upon standard Google processes that are out of LC State's hands, and some lag is to be expected.
- **RRF Process Update:** In accordance with LC State's usual processes, Functional Area Committee (FAC) representatives presented Resource Request Form (RRF) recommendations to President's Cabinet on Feb. 22. These recommendations are under review and consideration as we move through Idaho's Legislative and related budget and tuition setting processes. Funding decisions will be finalized and communicated by June 1. Thank you to all who have engaged in this important campus-wide process.
- **Zoom:** All campus Zoom licenses have been upgraded to allow 300 attendees in a meeting. This is a permanent change.
- **AUE, Commencement, World Series:** Protocol-compliant versions of Art Under the Elms (April 23-25), multiple commencement ceremonies (May 14), and the Avista NAIA World Series (May 28-June 4) are being planned. Plan execution and delivery will be dependent upon Public Health and State guidelines. Stay tuned for more information and details over the coming weeks.

(What is Baby Yoda's "real" name? If you are one of the first six people to email the correct answer to president@lcsc.edu you will win a ticket to one of the NAIA Opening Round basketball games!)

- **HR Updates:** For Warrior Wellness and Professional Development opportunities [view this week's flyer](#).
- **Cybersecurity Training:** On Feb. 16, all employees should have received an email from cybertraining@dhr.idaho.gov to complete an updated Cybersecurity Training. This is a legitimate email and action will need to be taken as this training completion is due March 31, 2021.

