Dear all,

As you may recall, what has typically been an early Session/January *Education Week* in the Idaho Legislature was delayed this year. As you read this, I am in Boise for the week. I will present/testify at the following days and times. Feel free to tune in to the various meetings with the links provided. I'll also meet independently with over 25 legislators and attend alumni and donor events as well as parts of the State Board of Education Meetings Tuesday and Wednesday. It will be a busy and productive week!

- Tuesday, Feb. 27, 8 a.m., Pacific – House Education Committee ([watch](#))
- Tuesday, Feb. 27, 2 p.m., Pacific – Senate Education Committee ([watch](#))
- Wednesday, Feb. 28, 7 a.m., Pacific – Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee (JFAC) ([watch](#))

P.S. In case you missed it last week: As a reminder, we are now only a week away from our March 1 priority deadline for scholarships and financial aid. This window of time is critical to our fall 2024 enrollment. After March 1, our Financial Aid Office will begin preparing offer letters to students who have earned our merit scholarships. Recall that need-based scholarship and federal aid notifications will be delayed due to the federal errors that have surfaced with the FAFSA. Our outreach, availability, communication and interpersonal connections are key. Calls, emails, texts, letters and notes…every one of us, every day can make a difference that matters.

P.S.S. It's time for another shared read. You'll find the [Demographic Drought](#) in the [Shared Readings](#) February folder on the server. Look for the quiz in early to mid-March (Sorry about the error in the January reading quiz. You got full credit – my bad ☺).

Go Warriors!

Cynthia Pemberton, Ed.D.
President

Events
Keep up on events and activities through the new [Campus Calendar](#).

- **Feb. 27-April 10 – Student Employment & Career Readiness Center Events:**
  - **Feb. 27 – Gozzer Ranch Golf and Lake Club Info Session** – Students will have a chance to discover exciting career opportunities with [Gozzer Ranch Golf and Lake Club](#) at 10:30-11:15 in MTB, Room 105A.

  - **March 7 – Micron Info Session** – Students are invited to explore career opportunities with Micron with sessions at 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. at the Schweitzer Career & Technical Education Center.

  - **April 10 – National Student Employee Appreciation Celebration** – Join us in recognizing the contributions of our student workforce during the designated week by the National Student Employment Association. The Student Employment & Career Readiness Center will host a celebration event to honor our student employees across campus. It will be collecting "kudos" from supervisors to display on its celebratory wall, and each office will be invited to host a table to network and promote the on-campus job

opportunities. Additionally, employers will have the opportunity to network with students and discuss potential work opportunities for the fall semester.

- **Feb. 27-March 3 – Home Athletic Events** – It's a big week at home for the Warriors as the men's and women's basketball teams host Cascade Conference Tournaments, the men's tennis team is in action at the Tennis Center against Puget Sound and Whitman College, and the baseball team hosts its first home games of the year, a four-game series against the University of British Columbia. In basketball, the Warrior women face the College of Idaho on Tuesday at 5:30 p.m., while the men will play Eastern Oregon University on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Note: faculty and staff do not receive free admission to conference tournament games. For more info visit www.lcwarriors.com.

- **March 5 – Tuesday @ Two** – President Pemberton will host Tuesday @ Two on the dates and locations listed below. Stop by and join the conversation.
    o   March 5, Mechanical Technical Building, Room 203
    o   April 2, College Place first floor lounge area
    o   April 30, Schweitzer Career & Technical Education Center, Room 302

- **March 14 – Ask & Answer** – Ask & Answer with President Pemberton will be held in the SUB cafeteria over the noon lunch hour on Thursday, March 14. All are invited.

- **March 15 – Hike with Your Profs!** – Join Outdoor Adventures and LC State professors for an afternoon hike in the LC Valley on Friday, March 15, at 2-5 p.m. The hike will be an easy-moderate loop. All experience levels are welcome. The details and sign-up sheet are now live on LC's Outdoor Adventures webpage, and here is the direct link to the sign-up form.

- **March 15 – Employee Recognition Nominations Due** – Nominations for staff and faculty awards are due March 15 and should be emailed to the Academic Affairs office at academicaffairs@lcsc.edu. Award recipients, retirees and emeritus will be recognized at the Employee Recognition event on April 5 at 2-4 p.m. at the Williams Conference Center. For more information about the award categories and event visit www.lcsc.edu/academic-affairs/awards.

Announcements
- **AI Discussions:** The statewide AI Resource Alliance invites Idaho faculty and staff to opportunities this spring to learn more about generative AI. These discussions are offered via Zoom and are being coordinated by colleagues from across the state. Please register if you'd like to participate.
    o   March 6, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. – Webinar: Navigating Privacy Issues with Generative AI – This webinar will describe the kinds of data used to train LLMs, discuss the practical risks generative AI platforms pose to data privacy, especially in higher education contexts, and explore how AI companies, higher ed institutions, regulators, and individuals are responding to privacy concerns. Register here: AI Privacy Webinar.
    o   April 19, 10 a.m. – Discussion: Teaching and Learning with Generative AI in Higher Education – This is an informal opportunity to meet with and learn from each other. There will be an initial "spark" presentation or activity on teaching and learning thoughtfully with generative AI. Following that opening spark, there again will be time for sharing ideas. Register here: Higher Ed GenAI Community 2.

- **Cybersecurity Training:** The Idaho 2024 annual Cybersecurity Training campaign will be available to all employees March 1-31. It takes approximately 18 minutes to complete. Training modules are located in Luma and can be accessed in the Employee Learning and Development profile beginning March 1. The steps to find the training are listed below. For questions, please contact the Idaho Office of Information Technology Services at cybertraining@its.idaho.gov.

- Log in to your Luma profile
- Go to the waffle at the top left-hand corner. Click on "Infor Global HR"
- Expand "My Learning and Development" from the menu options
- Select "Development Profile"
- In "Newly Assigned Activities," select "2024 Annual Cybertraining"
- Ensure pop-ups are unblocked
- Complete training

- **Warrior Weekly:** Did you know there is a weekly email, similar to the Monday Message, that goes out to all LC State students? To submit items to be included in Warrior Weekly, email Debbie Kolstad at dqkolstad@lcsc.edu by noon on Tuesday for the Warrior Weekly sent out on Wednesday. Do you want to receive a copy of this email each week? Let Debbie know and she will add you to the distribution list.

- **Website Update:** Last November, it was announced that LC State had partnered with Marcel Digital to replatform its website CMS from Umbraco version 7 to version 12. We're happy to report that this huge project is going well, however, due to unexpected challenges, the timeline for completion has been pushed back from February to April. This remains well within the original goal of having the work completed during the spring, and should set the college up well to prepare content and pages for the next academic year. Information has been communicated to web editors and no special actions are required at this time.

- **Where are the Warriors?** Every week, LC State recruiters are traveling to high schools, junior colleges, fairs, corrections facilities, etc., spreading the word about all LC State has to offer. Here's a quick look at Where the Warriors are this Week.

- **Song for the Week:** "There's Got to Be a Way" by Mariah Carey