

The COLLEGE VOICE

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Marketing Project Requests

LCCC's College Relations staff can turn your creative ideas into reality. Whether it is an event, a new program, a website update, a social media campaign or beyond, our staff will work with you to get the best results.

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Working @ LCCC

Duplicating Center and Mail Room Service Window Hours
8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Lobby Hours
7:30 a.m. - 7 p.m., Monday through Thursday; 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Friday.

Courier services Monday through Friday to all sites.

Bookstore Hours
Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Friday 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday: CLOSED.

Library Hours
7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Wellness Center
10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

President's Cabinet Members Open Office Hours

President
Dr. Ann D. Bieber
Appointments can be made via Zoom. Email Tracy Bean at tbean@lccc.edu to schedule an online meeting.

VP Dr. Cindy Haney
1st and 3rd Mondays from 4 to 5 p.m. and 2nd and 4th Thursdays from 4 to 5 p.m. Email Ronnie Blue at rblue@lccc.edu to schedule a Hangouts meeting.

VP Larissa Verta
Access virtual office hours on Mondays from 9 to 5 p.m., Tuesdays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., and Thursdays from 12:30 to 2 p.m., or email jasschler@lccc.edu to arrange a scheduled meeting.

VP Stefanie Nester
1st and 3rd Thursdays from 10 to 11 a.m. and 2nd and 4th Fridays from 9 to 10 a.m. Email Maria Bowen at mbowend@lccc.edu to schedule an online meeting.

Dean Peggy Heim
Mondays from 3 to 5 p.m.
Email PHeim@lccc.edu to schedule online meeting.

Interim Dean Dr. Jodi Rowlands
Wednesdays, 8 to 9 a.m. or 4 to 5 p.m.
Email jrowlands@lccc.edu to schedule a meeting.

Dean Dr. Andrea Granum-Mosley
Mondays from 11 to 3 p.m.
Email agranum@lccc.edu to schedule via Hangouts.

Interim Dean Elke Reichardt
Wednesdays from 3 to 5 p.m.
Email EReichardt@lccc.edu to schedule online meeting.

Dean Dr. Kelly Trahan
Mondays from 3 to 5 p.m.
Email KTrahan@lccc.edu to schedule an online meeting.

CIO Joshua Mitchell
Tuesdays from 11 a.m. to noon.
Email JMitchell10@lccc.edu to schedule online meeting.

Dean Scott Aquila
Email saquila@lccc.edu to schedule an online or face-to-face meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council of Presidents Retreat



Presidents from the state's various community colleges gathered together at Luzerne County Community College last week as part of the Pennsylvania Commission for Community Colleges (PACCC) Council of Presidents yearly retreat. Participants met with partners from the PA State System of Higher Education (PASSHE) such as Penn State University. On the second day, presidents were joined by Dr. Kate Shaw, Deputy Secretary of Post Secondary Education along with Dr. Val Arkoosh, Secretary of Human Services and Akbar Hossain, Secretary of Policy and Planning for discussions on issues relating to higher education in the state.

College Relations Scheduling Portrait Sessions

If you are a new employee or would like to have an updated photo taken of you, the Office of College Relations offers a weekly portrait session on the Schnecksville campus between 3:30 and 4:30 p.m. on Thursdays.

Let us know you are coming by emailing collegerelations@lccc.edu. We will use these photos, as needed, on the faculty and staff list on the website. You are also welcome to have a digital copy for your own use.

Questions? Email collegerelations@lccc.edu.

Berrier Hall Locker Rooms

Effective Wednesday, Aug. 23, the staff locker rooms will be cleared and re-set for the fall semester. Anyone who currently has a lock on a locker must contact Brandon Kinsey (brkinsey@lccc.edu) or 610-799-1181 to continue use for the 23/24 school year.

SHINE Afterschool Program Opens Makerspace at Slatington Elementary

In partnership with the Northern Lehigh School District, LCCC's SHINE program will dedicate the new Makerspace at 6:30 p.m., Monday, Aug. 14, at Slatington Elementary School. The community is invited to attend.

During the school day, the district uses the space with its own STEAM curriculum, which emphasizes hands-on learning. In the afternoon and evenings, SHINE (Schools and Homes in Education) makes it for project-based STEM activities as part of the afterschool program. A makerspace is a collaborative work area to encourage making, exploring, learning and sharing that uses high-tech or no-tech tools. Students have access to a 3D printer, laser cutter, CNC machines, soldering irons and other equipment that is used in a variety of projects. The equipment is available for all students to use, not just those enrolled in SHINE.

These makerspace tools encourage students to envision, design and build new and exciting creations while boosting their self-confidence, teamwork and critical thinking skills. In makerspaces students take hands-on learning to the next level through innovation and creating something new, often the first step toward entrepreneurship and business start-ups.

LCCC also has makerspaces at the LCCC Tamaqua site in the Morgan Center and on the main campus in Science Hall.

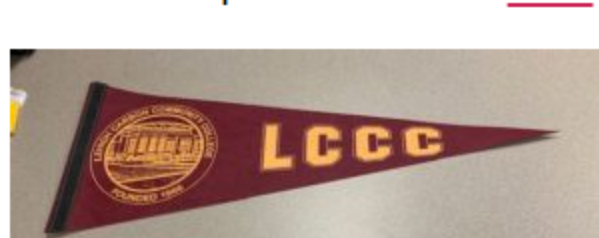
SHINE is more than an afterschool program. It is a holistic approach to education that supports a student's success both in and out of the classroom through the connection of schools, homes and communities. The program is designed to be a seamless network of educational and social services that helps students achieve their potential.

For more information on SHINE or the Makerspaces, contact Rachel Strucko, Director of SHINE, at 570-225-7245 or rkmiller@lccc.edu.

Volunteers Needed for Wayfinding 2023

Please consider volunteering for the Wayfinding Program which is being held as part of the Welcome Week events for new and returning students!

As a Wayfinder you will be greeting students, answering questions, providing directions to classes and campus services. There will be a Welcome Tent set-up in the mall near the Student Union. We are looking for one or two volunteers per shift. Click [here](#) to sign up.



We will have resources on hand to help you best serve our students and answer their questions. Games will be set up each day and we want to encourage students to play the "Game of the Day" and enter the Welcome Week Raffle. Most importantly, students will have a quick point of contact to help ease the stress and uncertainty of the first week of classes.

All volunteers will receive a limited edition LCCC pennant as a "thank you" for your assistance!

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

Human Resources News

New I-9 Form

The new version of the I-9 has been released. Please begin using the new version for all new hires. The form can be viewed [here](#).

Nominate a Colleague for Spotlight on Excellence

Is there a faculty or staff member you know who helped smooth over an unexpected bump during a project or event? Do you know someone who went above and beyond to provide excellent customer service? Human Resources invites you to nominate that person for a Spotlight on Excellence recognition. Recognized members of the college community will be announced in the College Voice and will receive a token of appreciation for a job well done. Please use the [nomination form](#) to spotlight the excellence of a fellow employee!

Slips, Trip and Fall Prevention

Slips, trips, and falls account for a large percentage of medical incidents on campus and are the result from some kind of unintended or unexpected change in the contact between the feet and the ground or walking surface. [Attached Word](#) are tips to aid in the prevention of slips, trips and falls.

Updated COVID-19 Guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) effective August 11, 2022 can be found [here](#).

This updated guidance no longer differentiates between those who are vaccinated and those who are unvaccinated. The CDC advises that those individuals exposed to COVID-19, regardless of vaccination status, need not quarantine.

1. Exposure to someone with COVID-19:

If you were exposed to someone with COVID-19, follow these steps per the [CDC guidelines](#):

- Start precautions immediately.
 - Wear a high-quality mask for 10-full days as soon as you find out you were exposed (day 1 is the first full day after your last exposure)
 - Get tested at least 5 full days after your last exposure
- Watch for COVID-19 symptoms such as:
 - Fever (100.4 degrees or greater)
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath
 - Other COVID-19 symptoms
- If you develop symptoms, isolate immediately

2. Isolation and Precautions for People with COVID-19.

If you test positive for COVID-19, follow the steps below per the [CDC guidelines](#):

- Stay home and isolate for at least 5 days and isolate from others in your home.
- If you **had no** symptoms, day 1 of isolation is the following day you were tested.
- If you **had** symptoms, day 1 of isolation is the first full day after the day your symptoms started.

Quick Reference for Medical Emergencies on Campus

If serious injury or illness occurs on campus, CALL 911. After you call 911, call Public Safety at x1169 to inform them you called 911. Public Safety will report to where the injured person is until arrival of the ambulance.

For minor injury or illness, trained personnel should provide basic first aid care. Call Public Safety at x1169. All Public Safety officers are trained in first aid and CPR/AEDS.

No employee shall transport another employee/student to an emergency facility or hospital.

All New Employees:

The college's online training program is specifically designed for the busy professional but keeps in mind the college's requirements for training. It is a convenient, easy way to complete our new hire training series at LCCC.

A. Required Online Trainings

Below are the four online trainings that will be emailed to you from Knowbe4. This is a single sign-on system that will enable you to log in using your portal username and password. These online trainings must be completed within the first 30 days of hire.

If you want your completion certificate for each training placed in your personnel file, please print it out and send to the Human Resources office, otherwise Human Resources maintains a database of your completed trainings.

FERPA - Privacy and Security Awareness
Protected Classes - Intro to Discrimination
Intro to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the Workplace
Creating Strong Password - Security Awareness Training

B. Run-Hide-Fight Video

To view this video, go to the [Department of Public Safety website page](#) and click on the Run-Hide-Fight video link.

If you have any questions, please contact Human Resources at x1107 or x1108.

Online Learning News

Check out the [2023 August Edition](#) of the Department of Online Learning Newsletter! This edition includes: event dates, updates about the Quality Matters workshop, including a survey for future dates in 2023, an article about ChatGPT resources, a new badge - Effective Syllabus; important Canvas updates; What to do when technology fails; how to get to the new faculty academy; and how to import course content that has Zoom meetings in the original course shell. If you have any questions about anything in the newsletter reach out to us at onlinelearning@lccc.edu.

Online Learning Courses Available

Register online for our live and self-paced trainings. Trainings include: Canvas Course Certification, Remote Course Certification, Excellence in Instruction, Zoom, Canvas Studio, Blooms Taxonomy, and more!

Office Hours

Schedule a **meeting** with Rachel Peters to ask any questions on training, course development, professional development, and other tools/topics.

Digital Badges

Faculty and staff will have the opportunity to receive digital badges to display on LinkedIn, email signature and other areas, highlighting their professional achievements and commitment to continued learning. A number of different badges are available to anyone who completes the required training or series of trainings. The training requirements for each badge are outlined on the [flyer](#). If you have any questions about the digital badges or the requirements for them please contact onlinelearning@lccc.edu.

Congratulations to the following people who have recently earned the Essentials Badge: Joseph Fortunato, Cosette El Hage, Cherryan Joseph, Floralba Melendez, Michael Owen and Timothy Shoemaker.

REMINDERS

New LCCC Wi-Fi is Coming This Fall



New LCCC Wi-Fi is coming this fall. Get ready to connect!

LCCC IT will be improving your Wi-Fi experience at the start of the Fall 2023 Semester. Say goodbye to guessing.

Seamlessly connect your wireless devices.

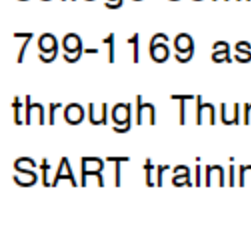
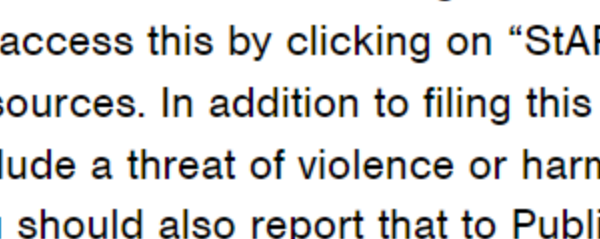
Simply connect to "LCCC" and we'll take care of the rest!

More information to come, please stay tuned.

StART Report

If you are aware of an incident that concerns you - student behavior, violations of the LCCC Code of Student Conduct, academic honesty, threats to harm others, etc., the college has an online reporting tool, StART, for you to make an official report. You can access this by clicking on "StART" in the LCCC Portal under Faculty/Staff Resources. In addition to filing this report, if the circumstances also include a threat of violence or harm to a member of the college community, you should also report that to Public Safety by calling 610-799-1169 as soon as possible. Officers are on campus until 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday. If you have questions regarding StART or to schedule a StART training, please email Brian DeLong at bdelong2@lccc.edu.

Faculty Coaching



Faculty, are you excited about the upcoming fall semester? Are you interested in trying something new? Would you like help with your syllabus, a rubric, or a test? Perhaps you would like to discuss your teaching and new ways to manage your classroom? Faculty Coach, Dr. Robin Musselman, is available during Summer Session 2 for appointments. Please email her at rmusselman@lccc.edu or contact Dr. Melanie Turrano at murrano@lccc.edu if you have any questions about our Faculty Coaching program.

SPIRIT & WELLNESS

LCCC at Knoebels - RSVP Form

Interested in joining the LCCC Spirit Committee at Knoebels Amusement Park on Saturday, Aug. 26? Complete the [RSVP form here](#) by Friday, Aug. 18, to save your spot. Meet-up time is at 10 a.m. with the park opening at noon. If you have any questions, please contact Tina Dowling-Hackett at tdowlinghackett@lccc.edu or Ginny Hertzog at vhertzog@lccc.edu.

Knoebels also partners with local organizations to offer discounts on Ride All Day Passes and Ticket Books. Check out [this link](#) to find deals in the community.

Wellness Center Hours

The Wellness Center summer hours will be 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. The Wellness Center will be closed on the following dates:

- Friday, August 18
- Friday, August 25