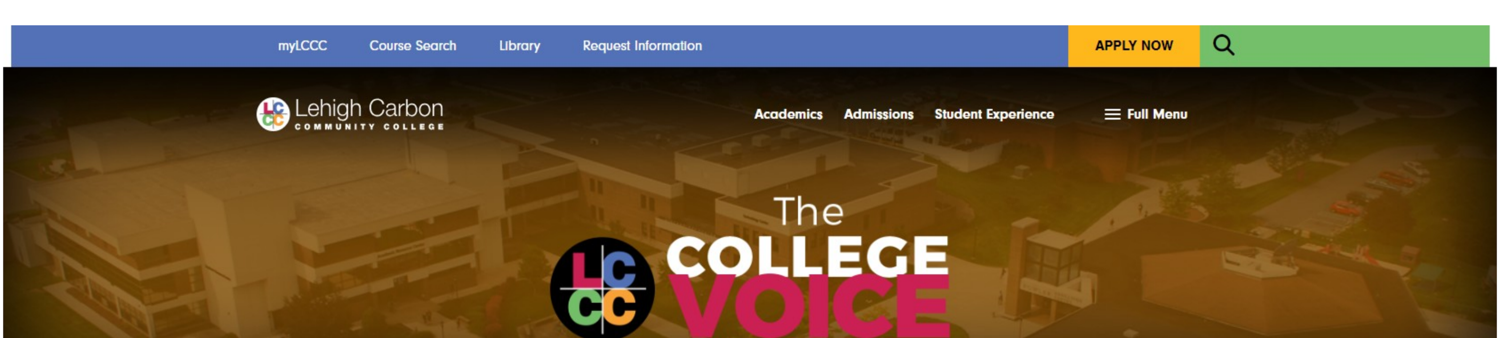

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Submit Your College Voice News

All College Voice submissions are due by 12 p.m. the business day prior to each edition (Friday by 12 p.m. for Monday edition, Wednesday by 12 p.m. for Thursday edition). Special exceptions will apply. Please ensure all applicable links and attachments are included in your submission, and all information, links and attachments in your submission are correct and accurate.

Thank you,
Office of College Relations

College Voice Submission

View Previous College Voice Editions

Quick Links

President's Desk September 2024

LCCC Employment Openings

Events

"This Week" Student Newsletter

Report Safety and Security Concerns

Sexual Harassment and Sexual Violence Anonymous Online Reporting

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.

Submit Your Marketing Project Request

Minutes

Board of Trustees

President's Cabinet

Leadership Team

Academic Council

Registration Status Reports

To view registration status reports, go to the Institutional Research link on Faculty and Staff Resources.

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 Fall Hours
Monday through Thursday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.; Friday: 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday: CLOSED.

*All hours subject to change.

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 vblue@lccc.edu to schedule a Hangouts meeting.

VP Larissa Verta
Access virtual office hours on Mondays from 3 to 5 p.m.; Tuesdays from 9:30 10:30 a.m.; and Thursdays from 12:30 to 2 p.m., or email itaschler@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 mbowen4@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 Grannum-Mosley
Mondays from 1 to 3 p.m. Email agrannummosley@lccc.edu to schedule via Hangouts.

Interim Dean Eike 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

A3 Unavailable September 29

The A3 Alerts System (CRM Advise) will be unavailable on Sept. 29, beginning at 8 p.m. The interruption in service is due to system security updates. Faculty will not be able to submit alerts until the update is completed. The system should return to service by Monday, Sept. 30 at 8 a.m.

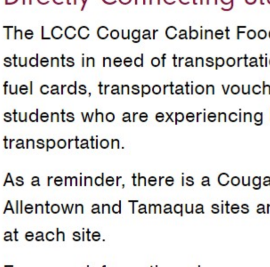
Directly Connecting Students to Food Options

The LCCC Cougar Cabinet Food Pantry program will be assisting eligible students in need of transportation for accessing food resources. Options for fuel cards, transportation vouchers, and bus passes will be available for students who are experiencing limited access to food due to challenges with transportation.

As a reminder, there is a Cougar Cabinet Food Pantry at our Schnecksville, Allentown and Tamaqua sites and this assistance will be available to students at each site.

For more information please contact Liz Rivera at erivera1@lccc.edu.

Join us for a Volunteer Resource Fair on September 26



Are you looking to make a difference in your community? Want to explore new opportunities and gain valuable experience? Don't miss our Volunteer Resource Fair on Sept. 26 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Career Development, SSC 004. Come find your passion and make a positive impact in the world around you. Stop in for some popcorn and an opportunity to win raffle prizes and more!

Dean of Healthcare, Math, Science, and Technical Education Candidate Presentation

The college community is invited to attend the candidate presentation for the Dean of Healthcare, Math, Science, and Technical Education. The candidate will be on campus Friday, Sept. 27. The presentation will be held in the Community Services Center, Room 207A/B; if you would like to attend remotely, a link for the Zoom session and feedback form is listed below.

Candidate: Elizabeth (Beth) Richards

Friday, Sept. 27 from 3:45-4:15 p.m.

Zoom Link

Feedback Form

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!

Slip, Trip and Fall Prevention
Slips, trips, and falls account for a large percentage of medical incidents on campus and are the result from some a kind of unintended or unexpected change in the contact between the feet and the ground or walking surface. AttachedWord are tips to aid in the prevention of slips, trips and falls.

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 to you 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

View the September edition of the Department of Online Learning Newsletter. This edition includes information about the training programs we offer, including the newest Canvas Certification Course. It also includes: Recognition for Robin Musselman's QM Course; the article and training of the month; how to take take attendance in your Canvas Course information on Regular & Substantive Interaction; recognition for our badge earners; and this month's events around the Lehigh Valley. If you have any questions please reach out to 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**.

REMINDERS

Rothrock Family Receives LCCC Collegiate Award of Distinction

LCCC has named the Rothrock Family as the 2024 recipient of the Collegiate Award of Distinction, which is determined each year by the college's Board of Trustees. Trustee Dr. Barbara Kistler presented the award to Peter Chiaradia, one of the grandchildren of Bruce Rothrock, at the LCCC Foundation's annual golf tournament on Sept. 16.

The LCCC Board of Trustees selects the Collegiate Award of Distinction to recognize a person, family or organization for unique contributions to the community, service and dedication in support of education, and to honor those who have demonstrated their commitment to the college and its students. The award was established in 1991.

The Rothrock family has been generous to LCCC over the years. The Bruce L. Rothrock Entrepreneurial Scholarship fund honors Bruce's lifelong achievements, and the lobby of the Community Services Center was named for him to memorialize his generosity. In 2017, his three sons, David B. Rothrock, Bruce L. Rothrock, Jr., and Dean A. Rothrock, served as honorary chairs of the annual golf classic, raising funds that went to this scholarship, supporting students who have an interest and passion for entrepreneurship.

The Rothrock Library bears the family's name in honor of a donation in memory of Debra Ann Rothrock-Chiaradia. The library was dedicated in 2008 and continues to serve students and the community as a center of learning.

Velia Rothrock serves on the LCCC Foundation Board of Directors, and Patrina Rothrock has shepherded donations to Foundation events including the Art, Rhythm and Tasting held in August 2023 in the new Glass Box Gallery in the Rothrock Library, and the Purse Bingo that was held for many years to benefit students in the Veterinary Technology program.

The family has always prioritized family, community and service, which has far-reaching consequences that have benefited LCCC students for decades.

LGBTQ+ Equity 101 Training on Nov. 8

Through a Strategic Innovation Grant the college will be offering LGBTQ+ Equity 101 training on Friday, Nov. 8 from 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. The training will be led by Robin Gow, LGBTQ+ Equity Trainer and Consultant.

LGBTQ+ people live, work, and simply exist everywhere but often face barriers and biases that impact our lives. This training equips attendees with the basic tools to understand and reflect on key concepts in the LGBTQ+ community, space to practice supportive and affirming practices, and together work to create a more inclusive community for LGBTQ+ people.

This training will be offered in-person on Main Campus in the Alumni Center and via Zoom at the Allentown and Tamaqua sites.

Coffee, breakfast pastries and lunch will be provided for all attendees at each site. Seating for the Main Campus is limited to 40.

*Please note, this same training was held in fall '23 as well as spring and summer of this year.

Register by Friday, Oct. 18 here. For questions email Jill Yapsuga at jyapsuga@lccc.edu or Doug Brace at dbrace@lccc.edu.

Fall 2024 Movement Challenge

Join the LCCC Spirit Committee in our ambitious and friendly Movement Challenge promoting a healthier and happier you through daily movement; walking, running, swimming, yoga, barre or your favorite cardio, it all counts! Starting Oct. 1 and continuing through Oct. 31, get up and move. Each Monday, you will receive a reminder email to enter your movement totals for the previous week. Dick's gift cards will be randomly awarded at the end of the challenge.

View the flyer for more information and register today. Reach out to Ginny Hertzog, vhertzog@lccc.edu or Erin Vermeulen, evermeulen@lccc.edu with any questions.

BONUS: Join us for Afternoon Move with Rachael Toonder outside the Student Union, Wednesdays at 2 p.m. Take a few minutes of "you time" with light stretches to help with your movement challenge!

KU, LCCC Enhance Transfer Agreement to Help Students Earn Degrees

Kutztown University and Lehigh Carbon Community College have strengthened their partnership by adding resources to allow students to seamlessly transfer credits between the two institutions to encourage students to complete a college degree.

LCCC students who earn their associate degree can transfer seamlessly to KU, entering as a junior. Financial benefits of the transfer program include a $500 book award, $1,000 in housing scholarships per year for two years and up to $5,000 in merit scholarships. Transfers will have their application fees waived, receive personal advising and have access to grants and scholarships.

"We are very excited about this unique and innovative transfer partnership as it opens numerous pathways to transfer students coming to Kutztown University through curriculum, housing, financial aid and other areas of support," said Dr. Kenneth S. Hawkinson, Kutztown University president. "This is especially important to me, as an individual, as I am a proud recipient of an associate degree. Starting at a community college provided the foundation to all the accomplishments I have attained in my career."

LCCC students transferring to KU will not be required to complete more than 60 credits to earn a 120-credit bachelor's degree, if they are transferring to a parallel degree program. Students are guaranteed admission to KU, provided they meet program criteria and there is capacity for additional students in the program.

KU students are also eligible to use the reverse transfer process to earn an associate degree from LCCC with their KU credits.

"Ultimately, this partnership means that students will benefit, streamlining the process to transfer and ultimately to earn their bachelor's degree," says LCCC president Dr. Ann D. Bieber. "Students will be able to achieve their educational goals, at an affordable price and remaining close to home. LCCC and KU are both committed to providing a pathway for students to earn their degree."

Students are encouraged to file the FAFSA to determine eligibility for financial aid, including scholarship opportunities for LCCC students transferring to KU. Information is available from both LCCC and KU.

Learn more online.

Spring 2025 & Summer 2025 Course Schedules Posted to Website

The course schedules for Spring 2025 & Summer 2025 have been posted to the college website, and can be viewed here. Registration for Spring 2025 & Summer 2025 will open on Friday, Oct. 4 for veteran students and on Monday, Oct. 7 for all students.

Invitation to Participate in LCCC Climate Survey

LCCC Climate SURVEY
Your College
Your Voice
Your Experience

To the college community,

We want to hear from you! LCCC is launching a survey to learn more about the current campus climate and we need your voice. The survey is now live and will be available to take through Oct. 18.

The survey can be accessed by current students at least age 18 and current employees after entering your portal log in credentials. The link to take the survey is also available on the climate survey webpage and through the myLCCC portal.

At LCCC, we seek to create an environment that promotes openness, fairness and equal access for all students, staff and faculty. Creating and maintaining a community environment that respects individual needs, abilities and potential is critically important.

Your answers will remain confidential, and the results will be reported in group form only. You will not be identifiable as an individual. Your participation in this project is voluntary. This research has been reviewed and approved by the LCCC Institutional Review Board.

I urge you to take the 20-30 minutes needed to answer the question. This is an individualized link specific to you, but you will not be identified in the survey.

You must be at least 18 years old at the time of the survey date to participate and enrolled in the fall 2024 semester. All students not yet 18 years old or in either the high school Dual Enrollment or Early College program are prohibited from participating in this survey. High school faculty teaching at the high schools also will not take the survey.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ann D. Bieber

Pizza with the President

Dr. Bieber is hosting "Pizza with the President" for students at all sites.

- LCCC Main Campus – Monday, Sept. 30, at 12:00 p.m.
- LCCC Airport – Monday, Sept. 30, at 3:30 p.m.
- LCCC Tamaqua – Tuesday, Oct. 1, at 12:00 p.m.

See the event flyer for more details. RSVP to Tracy Bean at tbean@lccc.edu. Students will have an opportunity to discuss their ideas, thoughts and concerns with Dr. Bieber. Please encourage student attendance.

Carbon County Emergency Rental Assistance

The Carbon County Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) is currently accepting applications. Funding is being prioritized for households that are at or below 50% AMI, households where members have been unemployed 90 days or more leading up to the date of application, and those who have a court ordered eviction and/or shut-off notice. To apply, click here. For questions, please send an email to erapcarbon@unitedwayglv.org.

This PA ERAP link can be used to see if applications are being accepted in another county.

This information has been provided by LCCC's Office Community Resources and Basic Needs. Contact us at (610)799-1087 or email communityresources@lccc.edu.

Fall 2024 Lunch and Learn Series

In September and October, we invite the LCCC community to explore DEI topics during the Lunch and Learn lecture series. Please join us at the Morgan Center from 12 – 1 p.m., on the dates below, to learn, listen, and discuss social topics while enjoying a shared lunch!

These events, sponsored by the Title III: Pathways to Success grant, will address the following topics:

Identity vs Erasure: Thursday, Sept. 26
What factors influence our identity and the way we present ourselves to our family, our peers, and our colleagues? How can we clarify our identity to improve our self-knowledge? How can an understanding of identity prevent societal harm? Our time together will help us begin to understand the depth and importance of identity in our lives.

Binary Limitations: Wednesday, Oct. 9
In connection with National Coming-Out Day, this session will provide historical perspectives of how and why binary social structures impact our daily lives. For more about National Coming-Out Day, Oct. 11, visit this website.

Healing a Community from Erasure and Binary Harm: Tuesday, Oct. 22
Understanding identity, erasure and binary belief systems extends our ability to communicate and honor diversity in the community. To move forward, toward equity and inclusion, healing from the harm caused by social structures becomes necessary. This gathering will feature individual and group practices and reflections to repair and renew lives.

For more info about this series contact Carrie Myers at cfmyers@lccc.edu.

Neurodiversity ERG

Supported by LCCC, this Employee Resource Group provides an affinity space for sharing the unique experiences of neurodiverse faculty and staff. Neurodiversity recognizes those whose brains work or process in ways divergent from the status quo, which brings different strengths and challenges to the workplace and everyday life. This includes people with ASD, ADHD, dyslexia, dyspraxia, Tourette's, or any other similar condition, whether diagnosed or self-identified.

If you are someone who identifies as neurodivergent, join this group to explore the challenges as well as the assets a neurodiverse community brings to campus while navigating within a neurotypical environment. This space will also explore practices that support neurodiversity in the workplace. To join our September meeting at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 27, please contact Eric Werley at ewerley@lccc.edu and/or Thomas Simko at tsimko@lccc.edu for the Zoom meeting link.

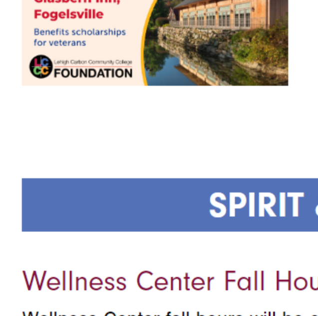
Strategic Innovation Grant Now Open

The Strategic Innovation Grant is designed to encourage faculty and staff innovation to enhance the lives of our students and college community and improve educational delivery. Consideration will be given to progressive, inventive, creative ideas that transform curriculum, college activities, student life, partnerships, and/or support services. Funding is typically available for projects requiring less than $35,000. The amount awarded may differ from the requested amount, but will not exceed the amount budgeted annually by the college. Click here or more information including the criteria, deadlines, and the application.

Xanadu is Looking For Submissions

Xanadu, our student-run literary magazine, is now accepting submissions for its upcoming issue. The magazine welcomes poetry, short stories, essays, visual art, and photography from all students, regardless of major or experience level. Xanadu is LCCC's creative outlet and we want to showcase all the talent our college community has to offer. Students should email their submissions to xanadu@lccc.edu.

Rocky Bleier Tickets for Sale



Tickets for the motivational evening with Rocky Bleier on Monday, Nov. 4, at the Glasbern Inn are available. Support our scholarships for veterans by attending. Tickets can be purchased here.

SPIRIT & WELLNESS

Wellness Center Fall Hours

Wellness Center fall hours will be effective through Friday, Dec.13.

The Wellness Center will be open this fall for the following hours:

- Mondays-Thursdays 9 a.m. – 5p.m.
- Fridays 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
- Saturdays and Sundays Closed

*All hours subject to change

The Wellness Center will be closed on the following dates:

- Wednesday, Nov. 27
- Thursday, Nov. 28
- Friday, Nov. 29
- Monday, Dec. 23 through Wednesday, Jan. 1

Wellness Center winter hours will be Monday, Dec. 16 through Thursday, Jan. 23 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Spirit Committee Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events, brought to you by the LCCC Spirit Committee!

September

Caramel Apple Day – Thursday, Sept. 26

October

Movement Challenge – All Month

Spirit Day: Halloween Costumes – Tuesday, Oct. 29

For questions about any upcoming events, please reach out to Tina Dowling-Hackett at tdowlinghackett@lccc.edu or Ginny Hertzog at vhertzog@lccc.edu.

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