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Lehigh Carbon Community College Holds Financial Aid Help Sessions

In anticipation of the financial aid priority-filing deadline of May 1 for Pennsylvania State Grant eligibility, Lehigh Carbon Community College will offer workshops to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) and the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA) State Grant Application at all three LCCC campuses.

This workshop is for any current or future student in the community attending any college that uses the FAFSA® or PHEAA State Grant Application to determine financial aid assistance such as grants, scholarships, work-study or student loans.

Students and families will have the opportunity to work with a financial aid advisor to answer questions about filing these applications and will receive additional information that will be helpful as the student and their family prepare for college and the variety of funding options.

Registration is requested and walk-ins will be accommodated based on available space in the computer labs. Three workshop sessions at each site are available:

Wednesday, March 15, 4:30, 5:30 or 6:30 p.m., at Main Campus, Schnecksville

Tuesday, April 11, 5, 6 or 7 p.m., at the Morgan Center, Tamaqua

Wednesday, April 19, 5, 6 or 7 p.m., at the <u>Donley Center</u>, Allentown

PHEAA representation and Spanish-speaking staff members will be available to assist at the Main Campus and the Donley Center workshops.

For additional information, contact Financial Aid at 610-799-1133 or finaid@mymail.lccc.edu. ■

STEM Scholarships Available

Current LCCC students interested in pursuing a STEM degree at East Stroudsburg University can apply for the Clear Path Scholarship and receive up to \$5,200 a year (\$10,400 total) in scholarship funds while at LCCC and up to \$10,000 a year (\$20,000 total) to attend ESU. Thanks to funding provided by the National Science Foundation (NSF), the Clear Path program was created to support the completion of STEM associate and STEM bachelor's degrees from community college partners to ESU.

The Clear Path program supports students with proactive developmental advocacy, holistic advising, cohort activities, peer mentoring and tutoring that fosters the development of traits associated with academic success. Contact Mary Engel mengel@lccc.edu for more information.

SNA Members Accepted into Leadership University Honor Society

LCCC SNA President Mikayla Shankweiler and SNA Vice-President Rosangelo Gallone have been accepted into the National Student Nurse's Association Leadership University Honor Society.

The Honor Society recognizes NSNA members who participate in leadership activities at the school chapter, state association and NSNA nationally. The goal of the Honor Society is to prepare future nurse leaders. In addition to maintaining good standing in all their nursing classes, they have demonstrated leadership qualities that set them apart from their peers. ■



Electrical and Mechanical Technicians Graduate from LCCC Mobile Manufacturing Lab

Workforce, Advanced Manufacturing, graduated the first of three groups of students on Feb. 7 at the Hydro plant in Cressona, PA. A total of 18 students received Certificates of Completion from LCCC as Electrical and Mechanical Technicians. The students also received up to 12 credits by articulation.

Graduates were trained in the LCCC Mobile Manufacturing Lab, which has graduated 107 students over the past five cohorts at the plant. A sixth cohort is planned for April 2023. ■

LCCC Alumni Food Drive Challenge

The LCCC Alumni Association in collaboration with the LCCC Foundation invites the college community to participate in the annual Alumni Food Drive Challenge, March 1-31.

Each donation equals points. The college with the most points wins a plaque and bragging rights.

There are several ways to earn points.

 Sign up to volunteer for the kick-off event at Second Harvest on March 8 and earn points for volunteering. One hour equals 50 points. We will be assembling the MilitaryShare Packs, which offers monthly food boxes and perishable groceries to food insecure veterans and military families.

The Kick-Off event will be held from 8:30-11:30 a.m., Wednesday, March 8, at Second Harvest Food Bank, 6969 Silver Crest Rd., Bath, PA.

- You can also volunteer at your local food pantry or kitchen. Find a food pantry in your neighborhood by visiting the Find Food page on Second Harvest's website. Be sure to list LCCC as the recipient of time donated.
- Items for the Cougar Cabinet Food Pantry can be dropped off in any of the shopping carts on campus.
 We will have all donations weighed and they will go directly to the Cougar Cabinet Food Pantry.

The point breakdown is as follows:

1 lb. of food donated = 1 point

\$1 donated = 9 points

1 hour of volunteering = 50 points

1 tour of the facility = 50 points

For more information contact Jane Wilchak at

jwilchak@lccc.edu. ■

Fall 2022 Dean's List

LCCC has announced the students named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2022 semester. Students with an academic grade point average of at least 3.50 achieve Dean's List status. The complete Dean's List can be viewed here. ■

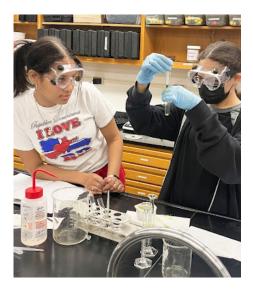
Student Life at LCCC

Here's a quick look at student life, in and out of the classroom.



Students in Professor Mary Engel's CHE 206 (Organic Chemistry II) course grew spinach plants using the flex farm in the Design Den Makerspace.







The Wellness Center, Office of Public Safety and the Office of Student Engagement and Inclusion hosted a table in the cafeteria Feb. 13 - 17 featuring information on sexual violence awareness. They offered "did you know" bags, giveaways and resources for students.



Students got to build their own plushies at the Stuff a Plush event on Feb. 2, hosted by the Student Government Association.





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Important Dates for March 2023

March 1 Coffeehouse at LCCC: An Evening for Healing -Student Union, 3-5 p.m.

March 7 Dual Enrollment Virtual Information Session,

5-5:30 p.m.

March 9 HVACR Shadow Day: Basic Electricity, 8-11 a.m.

Adult, Veteran and Returning Student Information Session Allentown Site, 10-11 a.m.

March 13-18 Spring Break (No Daytime, Evening or Saturday Classes)

March 15 Information Session, 3-5 p.m.

Financial Aid Help Sessions

March 23 HVACR Shadow Day: Basic

Electricity, 6-9 p.m.



LCCC Spirit Night at the Phantoms

You are invited to "Spirit Night" at the PPL Center on Saturday, April 1. These are discounted tickets just for LCCC. The Phantoms take on the Hartford Wolf Pack at 7:05 p.m. Please <u>click here</u> for the discounted ticket link to purchase your tickets. Make sure you wear your LCCC Spirit Gear!

On January 27, fifty LCCC alums (pictured above) turned out at the Phantoms game, which was organized by the Alumni Association.