

March 24, 2023**D E A R M E M B E R O F T H E L C C C O M M U N I T Y**

I hope you enjoyed some time off during our recent spring break. As the semester progresses, please begin to think about the upcoming graduation and the events leading to commencement. These events will provide special opportunities for the nearly 100 undergraduates in the Class of 2023 to celebrate their collective achievements in the company of their closest friends, family, and classmates on our beautiful campus. This year, Lopes Night is being spearheaded by a committee of staff and faculty led by Tara Silvey in partnership with VP Debono. Kindly please consider assisting this team in making this event special for our graduates and their families.

We are hosting several major events this week and next on campus, including the Partnership for Rural Educator Preparation T-PREP launch, regional guidance counselors visit, and the FFA Career Development Event. This event anticipates bringing 850 students from 44 high schools to our campus.

We continue to be fully engaged in budget planning, grant applications, workforce development partnerships, and enrollment growth efforts. This week we were awarded, through CCCS, as part of SB22-181, up to \$875,000 via the Department of Behavioral Health Administration the Behavioral Health Pathway Grant. This grant supports programmatic expenses, including curriculum development, instructional design, remote instruction, career pathway development, work-based learning/apprenticeship program development, recruitment, partnership development, and supplies. More to come on this in the coming weeks.

Anne-Marie, Director of the LCC Foundation, will be retiring from LCC after an impressive, diverse, and impactful career at the College. While Anne-Marie will be deeply missed by the entire community—staff, students, alumni, and friends alike—I am delighted for her to enjoy the rewards of retirement and this new personal and professional phase. Please join me in congratulating Anne-Marie.

As a community of educators, everything we do for our students and staff has a tremendous impact on those we serve. Thank you for taking this responsibility to heart and always aiming to do it with excellence.

Sincerely,

Dr. Rosana Reyes

UPDATES

- Budgets and strategic plans reviews are currently being held with department leaders. Please be sure to complete your strategic plans before the meeting.
- Enrollment reports continue to be fine-tuned in order to provide timely comparison data on our enrollment progress. Here you can see how the Fall 2023 will look after April 1.
- President Reyes attended/presented at:
 - SEBREA Board Meeting on 3/15
 - Meeting with Lamar City Mayor and City Administrator 3/16
 - Prowers Economic Prosperity (PEP) annual banquet on 3/23
 - LCC Foundation Board meeting on 3/21
 - Lincoln Education Alternative Plan meeting on 3/23.
- President Reyes has been appointed to serve on the Colorado Office of Education Equity CO Hispanic Serving Institution Consortium Steering Committee.