

FALL SEMESTER 2023



# STUDENT SERVICES NEWSLETTER



## A Message from the VPSS



Dr. Jeanne Wilson Vice President of Student Services

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to the new 2023-2024 school year. I hope you spent time with family and friends this summer and are well rested and ready to begin a new journey.

If you are a student or potential student reading this newsletter, we hope you see someone doing something interesting that makes you feel comfortable to reach out if you ever need support.

If you are a part of the LPC family already know that your are appreciated, and students are better because of YOU.

Welcome back and have a super semester!



**Welcome  
To The:**

**STUDENT SERVICES FAMILY**



**Suzanne Kohler**

Senior Admin  
Enrollment Services



**Marisol Baltazar**

Senior Admin  
General Counseling



**Aymey Finn**

A&R Assistant II



**Kevin Harral**

Director of FAO



**Miguel Pimentel**

M.A., APCC, PPSC, CWA  
Dream Center Coordinator



**Trevor Penero**

Veterans Specialist  
Veterans First Program



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**STUDENT SERVICES FAMILY**



**Ryan Eckles**  
Athletic Counselor



**So-Jin Moon, Ed.D.**  
A&R Degree Audit/Student Education  
Planning System Coordinator



**Kent Gomez**  
EOPS/CalWORKs  
Counselor



**Sabrina Hopken**  
EOPS/CARE CalWORKs  
Counselor Assistant I



## A SPECIAL NOTE FROM YOUR SS ADMINISTRATORS



Shawn Taylor, Director of Student Success & Equity, Chris Crone, Director of DSPS, Joel Gagnon, Dean of Student Services, Tamica Ward, Dean of Enrollment, Jeanne Wilson, VP of Student Services, Cassondra Reinsel, Student Resource Program Manger, Kevin Harral, Director of Financial Aid.

### **Welcome back!**

As your Student Services Administrators we are proud of the work that the Student Service Departments have accomplished and realize it's our colleagues at the front counters, as well as behind the scenes, counselors and special support programs family, whose commitment to excellence and compassion is the "secrete sauce" to LPC's success.



## STUDENT SERVICES FAMILY

Jeanne & Dwayne  
Alaskan Cruise  
Celebrating 29 years of  
Marriage Bliss



Kristi hiked to the  
top of Vernal Falls  
with her mom who  
is 67 years old.

**You Go Mom!** ❤️



Cassandra's  
**1st time**  
**canoeing** in  
South Lake  
Tahoe



**WOW!**



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Michelle Zapata (Calworks Counselor) and son Noah enjoyed 1st time fly-fishing in the Provo River, Utah. Michelle had the biggest catch of the day, (20lb brown trout!) Michelle had so much fun, that now she wants to be a fly-fisherwoman!



Joel Gagnon (Dean of Student Services) and his family spent an evening at the A's game this summer for the 4th of July "Firework Show".

## SUMMER MEMORIES



After 4 years, I finally was able to travel to Nebraska and visit my son Christopher & meet my grandbabies Scarlett Rose (5) and Archer Taiyar (3.5). OMG, the best time ever! We went to the Zoo, the Park, Church and to the toy store three times. Yes, I spoiled them rotten – why not, that's what Glamma is for!

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## DID YOU KNOW...



**Jennifer Tonn**  
promoted to  
DSPS Counselor Assistant II.  
**Congratulations!**



**Amanda Ingold**  
Received her MA in Education:  
Concentration in Social Justice and Equity in  
Education. **Congratulations!**

**Barbara Chavez**  
promoted to  
A&R Assistant III  
**Congratulations!**



**William "Preston" Balero-Ward**  
was born on 3/19/2023

He has a deep connection to LPC as Grandma Cindy Balero started as a student at LPC and has worked here for over 25 years. Preston's mother, Michelle, is an alumna and worked in Admissions & Records early in her career. His father, Cody, also attended LPC and was an adjunct instructor at Chabot for several years before moving to the Lawrence Livermore Lab. He is a true blessing to the Balero family and is spoiled with love!

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## PICK OUT THE DIFFERENCE.

Haha...

Nalan Smith  
Celebrating his  
daughter Seyla's 7th  
Birthday. Little  
Sister Nahla (5) &  
Grandparents  
joined in on the fun.



## COLLEGE DAY @ LPC

Sabrina, Amanda & Maria



Cassandra & Lisette are  
having fun tabling



Getting the Staff's lunch,  
stuffing Yvette's car  
w/burritos





## SUPPORT YOU MAY NEED



**The Market**  
(free food distribution,  
once a month)  
courtyard of Building  
1600

### Mini Market:

The Mini-Market is a FREE Resource for ALL Las Positas students located in the Welcome Center! We offer food, hygienic products, cleaning supplies and more!

### The Market:

The Market is a FREE food distribution that takes place every fourth Tuesday of the month in the 1600 building courtyard from 11 a.m.- 3 p.m. on the Las Positas Campus. This is open to students, staff and community members! Everyone is welcome!

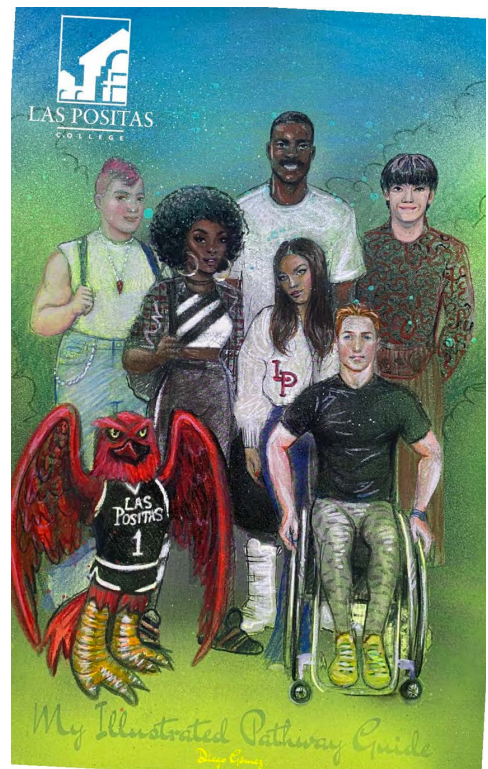
### General Basic Needs:

LPC Basic Needs provides students the opportunity to receive additional support such as assistance with food, hygiene, clothing, housing, and more!

### Coming Soon: *Be on the Lookout...*



“The ‘My Illustrated Pathway Guide’ is designed to provide students with a mid-semester reminder of where they’ve come from, what they’ve accomplished, and what more they need to do to graduate. It is also designed to work in conjunction with other Student Services offerings to be part of their graduation/transfer success.



## NEW SERVICES AVAILABLE

### New Student Support Center

Embark on your college journey with confidence at the New Student Support Center. From guiding you through application and enrollment (Steps to Success) at Las Positas College to offering valuable referrals for programs and services, we're here to ensure your smooth transition. Join us for admission assistance, online orientation, class registration, and more. Your path to success starts here.



Contact Mike Alvarez at 925-424-1480 or visit <https://www.laspositascollege.edu/supportcenter/>  
Find us in Building 1600, Room 1642, 1st floor.



### Mental Health Resources for Staff

**800-344-4222**

Real help, real experts, real fast.  
[employees.concernhealth.com](http://employees.concernhealth.com)

Here is the website:

<https://login.concernhealth.com/enter>

Select Employee and type in "Chabot Las Positas" to get started

## Event Coming Soon...

**SAVE THE DATE:**

### 2nd Annual Halloween Contest & Potluck

October 31st - 12-1:30 pm, Room 1669

more details to follow...



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### Registration Support Center

Student Services & Administration  
Building 1600, Second Floor Room 1672

The Registration Support Center (RSC) provides new, continuing and returning students with access to computers and staff assistance with completing the CCCApply online admission application, registration into classes via Class-Web/My portal, collection of Admissions & Records forms, student photo identification cards and online purchasing of transcripts and parking permits.

### Student Health & Wellness Center

3000 Campus Hill Drive  
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