

## The latest news from Luna Community College

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**Luna Community College employee Andrea Lucero (left) walks a cohort of incoming freshmen around campus on Aug. 1 during the first of three open house events. The second open house took place on Aug. 7 and the third open house event is scheduled for Aug. 15.**

## Luna campuses receive new computer systems

A 2023 New Mexico legislative appropriation provided Luna Community College with \$250,000 to upgrade student use computer labs throughout the college. Recently, Greg Salazar, LCC IT Director, installed the new hardware in the Santa Rosa, Mora and Springer campuses.

The new systems are replacing old and unreliable hardware that are used by students and community members. “The new hardware is state-of-the-art with modern technology and



**New computer hardware at the Santa Rosa satellite.**

components,” says Salazar. “These computers are faster and are more responsive to the students’ needs. They are able to handle today’s more robust websites and cloud-based computing tools.”

“I would like to thank Representative Joseph Sanchez (D-Colfax, Mora, Rio Arriba, San Miguel & Taos) for helping Luna secure this funding. Without his help, we would not have the resources to provide cutting edge technology to support our students.”





JOIN US FOR A BACK TO SCHOOL

# NOCHES de FAMILIA

FOR CHILDREN AGED PRENATAL-5 YEARS OLD

The San Miguel County Early Childhood Coalition invites you to our August Noches de Familia!

An evening of community, crafts, resources, and food! Welcome to all families, new moms, dads, grandparents raising grandchildren, and young children.

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 13TH, 2024**

**5:30PM TO 7:30PM**

**LUNA COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAFETERIA**

**366 LUNA DRIVE**

**LAS VEGAS, NM 87701**

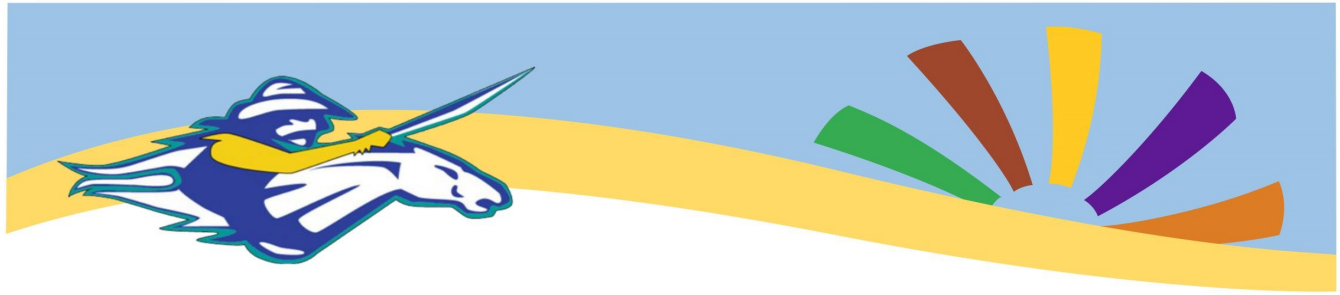
*Come get some back to school supplies & a backpack*

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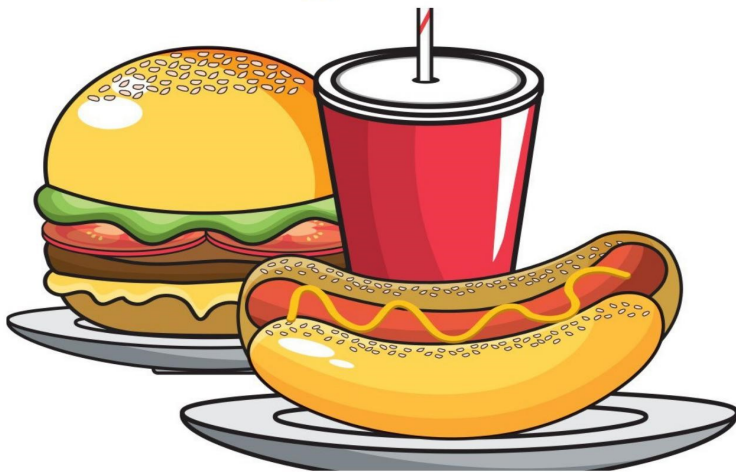
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Presented by San Miguel County Early Childhood Coalition in collaboration with Luna Community College Preschool & Education Department



# Luna Community College Open House Days



**Thursday, Aug. 1st**

**Thursday, Aug. 8th**

**4 p.m. to 6 p.m.**

**Thursday, Aug. 15th**

**3 p.m. to 6 p.m.**

**Orientation sessions  
for students  
and parents**



**Come see all that LUNA has to offer! Join us  
for campus tours, advisement and registration.  
And have a burger and hot dog with us!**



# How to register for classes

If you are a first-year student at Luna, you can apply online <https://luna.edu/application> or contact the admissions office at 505-454-2550 or via email at [admissions@luna.edu](mailto:admissions@luna.edu) or in person to complete the admissions process. Admissions is located on our main campus in the Student Services Building.

After you have been admitted, please contact the Student Success Center at 505-454-2549 or via email at [studentsuccess@luna.edu](mailto:studentsuccess@luna.edu) for advisement and placement testing (ACCUPLACER). Located on the main campus in the Student Services Building.

If you are a returning student, you can register online at <https://pathways.luna.edu>.

For advisement about the courses to take in your program, please contact the student support specialists or your faculty advisor. No answer? Leave a clear message with your name and telephone number. An advisor may be busy assisting another student but will return your call as soon as possible. You may also visit with them in person on our main campus.

Telephone numbers are listed below



Office	Name	Phone Number	Email
Admissions and Recruitment	Group Number	505-454-2550	<a href="mailto:admissions@luna.edu">admissions@luna.edu</a>
Admissions and Recruitment	Savannah Vigil-Lujan	505-454-5312	<a href="mailto:salujan@luna.edu">salujan@luna.edu</a>
Admissions and Recruitment	Andrea Lucero	505-454-5335	<a href="mailto:anlucero@luna.edu">anlucero@luna.edu</a>
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Student Support Specialist	Renee Maestas	505-454-5355	<a href="mailto:rmaestas@luna.edu">rmaestas@luna.edu</a>
Student Support Specialist	Anthony Baker	505-454-2513	<a href="mailto:abaker@luna.edu">abaker@luna.edu</a>
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Student Support Specialist-Registrars	Sergio Hartshorne	505-454-5314	<a href="mailto:shartshorne@luna.edu">shartshorne@luna.edu</a>
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Financial Aid	Seth Schader	575-268-3533	<a href="mailto:sschader@luna.edu">sschader@luna.edu</a>
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Dual Credit Liaison	Cynthia Branch	505-454-2541	<a href="mailto:cbranch@luna.edu">cbranch@luna.edu</a>
Bookstore	Ron Duran	505-587-3826	<a href="mailto:rduran@luna.edu">rduran@luna.edu</a>



# Enroll this fall at the Gerald P. Ortega Wellness Center

Luna Community College's Gerald P. Ortega Wellness Center has updated state-of-the-art fitness and cardio equipment this fall semester. The wellness center offers a full gym to fit your needs of fitness from a full basketball court, full cardio equipment, and state-of-the-strength equipment. Luna's staff is eager to assist you in your wellness journey.

For more information, please call 505-454-2511.

## Hours of operation:

Monday – Thursday 6 a.m.- 8 p.m.

Friday – 6 a.m.– 5 p.m.

## Credit Course PE 112 Self-directed course:

General Admission \$ 88

Seniors \$ 55

## Monthly Fee:

General Admission: - \$32

Seniors (50 years +): - \$10

## Daily Passes:

General admission - \$ 3

Seniors (50 years +) -\$2



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**2024  
NORTHERN NEW MEXICO  
SMALL BUSINESS  
CONFERENCE**

**SAVE THE  
DATE!**

**THURSDAY  
AUGUST 29, 2024**

**LUNA COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
MEDIA ARTS AUDITORIUM  
9:00AM-5:00PM**

Early Registration  
Opening May 2024

**KEYNOTE SPEAKERS, WORKSHOPS, TRAININGS,  
NETWORKING, RESOURCES, LENDERS AND MORE!**

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Small Business Development Center  
at Luna Community College

Contact Information:  
Briana Montano-Baca (505) 454-5349



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**REGISTER FOR  
FALL 2024**

Classes start on  
**Monday,  
August 19<sup>th</sup>**

The last day to register is  
**Friday, Aug. 23, 2024**



**ENROLL NOW!**

For more  
information, call  
**505 454-2550**

or visit our website at  
**[luna.edu](http://luna.edu)**

As a reminder, Luna Community College would like individuals who are interested in enrolling this fall semester to visit the Student Services Building first. The Luna Student Services Building occupies the Admissions Office, Registrars Office, Academic and Career Planning Office, Veterans Benefit Office and the Distance Learning Office.





# Pursue your passion and discover unexplored interests at Luna

Luna Community College is where you can pursue your passion or discover unexplored interests with our individualized and diverse course offerings. Our commitment to excellence through dedicated staff and low-cost tuition rates makes Luna a worthwhile investment for your future.

At Luna, we want to help you build a stronger future. Take advantage of our great value, quality education and class times that fit your schedule.

Luna offers certificate and degree programs to get you started on your path to a rewarding career. Welding, CDL and other programs allow you to earn state and national credentials in a semester or less. Luna also has a new paint booth in our automotive collision repair program and our CDL and heavy equipment programs just bought over \$500,000 in simulator equipment.

Join us this fall! Fall classes start Monday, Aug. 19, and the last day to register is Friday, Aug. 23. For more information, call us at 505-454-2550 or visit us at [luna.edu](http://luna.edu).

Luna Community College: Creating Opportunities for You!



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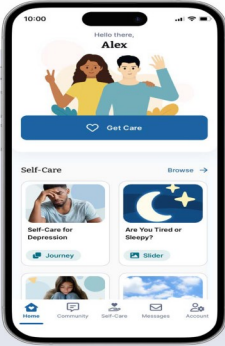


## Virtual Care From Anywhere

Get virtual health and well-being resources from your phone or computer



24/7 Virtual Health and Well-Being Support



\*6 visits per year



It's for Students. **FOR FREE.**

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@timely\_care

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## LCC Community KITCHEN

The LCC Community Kitchen provides a turnkey rental facility to entrepreneurs, culinary professionals and community members. Serving Las Vegas, Mora and northeastern New Mexico communities.

For more information visit

[www.luna.edu/community-kitchen](https://www.luna.edu/community-kitchen)  
505-454-2516

**Find out more!**



LUNA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

# PSYC 1140 99 PSYCHOLOGY OF DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE

*INSTRUCTOR: CHELSEA LUCERO, PSYD,  
LPCC, LADAC*

*ENROLL NOW IN THIS ASYNCHRONOUS  
8-WEEK COURSE OFFERED IN FALL 2024*

*Class  
Starts on  
August 19!*

**THIS COURSE COULD HELP YOU WORK TOWARDS A  
DEGREE TO WORK IN THE REWARDING FIELD OF  
SUBSTANCE USE COUNSELING!**

The Allied Health Degree at LCC has been approved by the New Mexico Counseling Board to meet the criteria for Substance Use Counselor (LSAA) in NM.

By taking this class, and one other drug or alcohol-related course, you could meet the criteria to become a LSAA (with the completion of a relevant Associates degree).



[WWW.LUNA.EDU](https://www.luna.edu)



**BEGIN  
WORKING IN  
1  
YEAR!**

## START YOUR CAREER IN Dental Assisting TODAY!

Only one prerequisite: Medical Terminology  
Medical Terminology is offered at Luna!

**WE HAVE NEW  
RADIOGRAPHY EQUIPMENT!**

*We are accepting  
students into this  
exciting program!*



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