



Play Ball!

Rough Riders return for spring games

David Amaya and Dusty Sipe blasted home runs to lead Luna Community College to victory over New Mexico Military Institute on Saturday in Seminole, Texas.

The bigger news?

The Rough Riders (1-3) finally got to play again after nearly a full year without competition courtesy of COVID-19. The coronavirus pandemic forced an early end to the 2020 season on the second weekend of March, leaving Luna players and coaches along with their counterparts across the country without an opportunity to enjoy the sport they love.

But this past weekend meant new hope and new chances for the Rough Riders, who can now practice under stringent restrictions at home but must play the entirety of their 2021 schedule on the road.

“It was very exciting for everyone; there was a lot of adrenaline and emotion,” said Luna fourth-year head coach T.C. Nusser. “Because of the snow, we had not practiced outside for a week, so we got off to a rough start. We settled down after the first game and it was nice to see that we competed with them. We have to get back to work, but I like where we’re at.”

NMMI came into the weekend series with a 6-0 record and quickly put 13 runs on the scoreboard – including a grand slam by Edwin Martinez-Pagani and two other home runs – en route to a 16-0 shutout in game one. But Luna rallied in game two as Sipe roped a two-run homer to



K.T. Gearlds (a sophomore from Ingram, Texas), Chisum Rush (a freshman from Grady, N.M.), and Ryan Clark (a freshman from Los Lunas) are part of a Luna baseball team that played this past weekend for the first time in almost a year because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

stake the Riders to an early lead. Three RBI singles by the Riders made it 5-1 by the fourth inning, and Amaya’s two-run blast in the top of the fifth helped Luna pull away for an 8-3 win.

On Sunday, NMMI (9-1) prevailed 8-7 on a walk-off homer by Mario Chacon before taking a 12-2 verdict in the series finale. Brandon Zwiener had tied Sunday’s opener with a three-run home run in the fifth inning. Sipe rounded out a strong offensive weekend for Luna by hitting a solo blast in the third inning of Sunday’s

nightcap.

“I loved every minute of it (live competition),” said Nusser. “It brought back emotions and awesome feelings. It’s nice to get back to do what you love especially after it’s taken from you. You realize how much you love the game. It brought back the passion for the game.”

The Rough Riders take on Lamar Community College this Saturday and Sunday in Lamar, Colo.

Please see pages four and five for a complete sports schedule.

Local Elks Lodge donates school supplies and goodies to Luna



Six members of the Elks Lodge (Louanna Zuch, Phil Leger, Mike Trujillo, Frank Roybal, and Joe and Barbara Venturi) pooled together to support the Valentine's Day Pizza Party for the preschool and school-aged support classroom at which time the students were presented with the donations from the Elks Lodge

In addition, local Elks Lodge #408 donated books, school supplies, boxes of Doritos, and several gallons of punch to the preschool and school-aged support classroom recently.

As part of a Valentine's Day Celebration, the preschool staff made a Valentine's Day video featuring photos of students and their parents along with activities throughout the day. For more information on the Early Childhood and School of Education, please call 505-454-2535.

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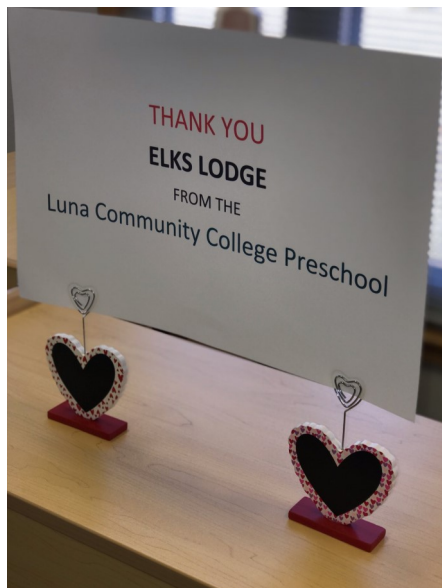




Photo of the edition: This photo, submitted by Connor Ortega, captures a beautiful and telling landscape of New Mexico. The famous Hermit's Peak, which often symbolizes Las Vegas, is in clear view, with fresh snow and evergreen trees surrounding it. Sights like this are what truly makes New Mexico the Land of Enchantment.

Luna Humanities Professor Dr. Billie Matthews to present in Missouri Conference on History

Luna humanities professor Dr. Billie Matthews will present a paper at the 63rd Missouri Conference on History in March.

“I will be presenting with Dr. Luke Ritter and other graduate students (at Highlands University) under the heading "Stories from the Santa Fe Trail: Migrants, Jews, and Painted Ladies". The title of my presentation is "'Free Land' for Missouri Families in Territorial New Mexico,” said Matthews.

Matthews has nine years teaching experience in higher education and 25 years as an educator in K-12. She earned her bachelor of arts degree at Highlands, and master’s degree in curriculum and education from Highlands and a doctoral degree in curriculum and instruction from New Mexico State University.

Luna Humanities Professor Dr. Billie Matthews is teaching music and history classes at Luna this semester.



2021 Luna Community College Baseball Schedule

Date	Team	Location	Time
Feb. 20	New Mexico Military Institute	Seminole, Texas	TBA
Feb. 21	New Mexico Military Institute	Seminole, Texas	TBA
Feb. 27	Lamar Community College	Lamar, Colo.	TBA
Feb. 28	Lamar Community College	Lamar, Colo.	TBA
March, 6	SE Nebraska Community College	Lincoln, Neb.	TBA
March 7	SE Nebraska Community College	Lincoln, Neb.	TBA
March 13	Trinidad State Junior College	Trinidad, Colo.	TBA
March 14	Trinidad State Junior College	Trinidad, Colo.	TBA
March 20	West. Nebraska Community College	Scottsbluff, Neb.	TBA
March 21	West. Nebraska Community College	Scottsbluff, Neb.	TBA
March 27	McCook Community College	McCook, Neb.	TBA
March 28	McCook Community College	McCook, Neb.	TBA
April 2	Northeastern Junior College	Sterling, Colo.	TBA
April 3	Northeastern Junior College	Sterling, Colo.	TBA
April 10	Otero Junior College	La Junta, Colo.	TBA
April 11	Otero Junior College	La Junta, Colo.	TBA
April 17	Trinidad State Junior College	Trinidad, Colo.	TBA
April 18	Trinidad State Junior College	Trinidad, Colo.	TBA
April 24	Lamar Community College	Lamar, Colo.	TBA
April 25	Lamar Community College	Lamar, Colo.	TBA
May 1	Otero Junior College	La Junta, Colo.	TBA
May 2	Otero Junior College	La Junta, Colo.	TBA
May 7-8	Conference Tournament	TBA	TBA
May 13-15	Region IX Tournament	TBA	TBA

Schedule subject to change

Head Coach: TC Nusser

For more on Luna Community College, go to luna.edu.



2021

Luna Community College Softball Schedule

Date	Team	Location	Time
March 5	Trinidad State Junior College	Lamar, Colo.	Noon
March 5	W. Nebraska Community College	Lamar, Colo.	4 p.m.
March 6	Otero Junior College	Lamar, Colo.	10 a.m.
March 6	Lamar Junior College	Lamar, Colo.	2 p.m.
March 7	McCook Junior College	Lamar, Colo.	10 a.m.
March 7	Northeastern Junior College	Lamar, Colo.	Noon
March 21	Trinidad State Junior College	Trinidad, Colo.	11 a.m./ 1 p.m.
March 27	Otero Junior College	La Junta, Colo.	Noon/2 p.m.
April 1	Northeastern Junior College	Sterling, Colo.	11 a.m./1 p.m.
April 2	Northeastern Junior College	Sterling, Colo.	11 a.m./1 p.m.
April 11	Otero Junior College	La Junta, Colo.	11 a.m./1 p.m.
April 16	W. Nebraska Community College	Scottsbluff, Neb.	TBA
April 17	W. Nebraska Community College	Scottsbluff, Neb.	Noon/2 p.m.
April 21	Lamar Junior College	Lamar, Colo.	TBA
April 25	McCook Junior College	McCook, Neb.	11 a.m./1 p.m.
April 26	McCook Junior College	McCook, Neb.	11 a.m./1 p.m.
April 30	Lamar Junior College	Lamar, Colo.	Noon/2 p.m.
May 1	Trinidad State Junior College	Trinidad, Colo.	11 a.m./1 p.m.
TBA	Conference Tournament	TBA	TBA
TBA	Region IX Tournament	TBA	TBA

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Head Coach: Steve Wallace

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One-on-one with media arts specialist James Hunyadi

The following is an interview with media arts specialist James Hunyadi, who is focused on rejuvenating Luna's film program in a way that prepares students for jobs in New Mexico's film industry

Can you please tell us of your background in media arts?

I'm a retired journalist. The last 25 years were spent at Dow Jones LMG, where I helped launch print and digital initiatives. After retirement I went to Highlands for my master's in media arts. I've worked on videos for Los Alamos, the Wheelwright Museum, Hotel Castaneda and others.

What jobs are available for Luna students upon graduation?

The primary entry-level job is the production assistant. From there, a wide range of union and non-union jobs are possible – grips, gaffers, sound utility, set design and construction as well as hair, wardrobe, and more.

Most recently, Luna offered an associate degree in media arts and film technology. Does Luna plan to offer a certificate program to complement it?

I am concentrating on building a one-year certificate program in film technology.

Will there be concentrations in media arts and if so what would they be?

We anticipate different concentrations, but those may be developed in later phases.

Upon graduation, will Luna students be able to transfer to a four-year university with assurance they will have a solid background to succeed in a four-year university?

Absolutely.

Tell us about some of the classes that will be taught in media arts?

The curriculum is still being developed, but students will take courses in videography, film set etiquette and safety, grip and rigging, lighting and electric, fundamentals



Media arts specialist James Hunyadi.

of editing.

What is the estimated cost that it will take to revitalize the media arts program?

We'll have a better handle on budget once we firm up the curriculum and inventory equipment.

How many instructors will the media arts program have and what will their expertise be in?

Again, we need to lock in curriculum before we have a determination on staffing. We anticipate having instructors with academic credentials and those with film industry experience.

What type of equipment will the media arts program need to be successful in the industry? And does Luna already have some of this equipment?

We will be looking at equipment this week, if the weather behaves, but expect we will need additional grip gear such as more C-stands, speed rails, Cardellini clamps, dollies and the like as well as lighting and camera gear.

What are your thoughts on the Media Arts Building and Media Arts Auditorium?

In addition to being a great venue, the auditorium also presents good work and teaching opportunities.

What are some of the selling points of the media arts program?

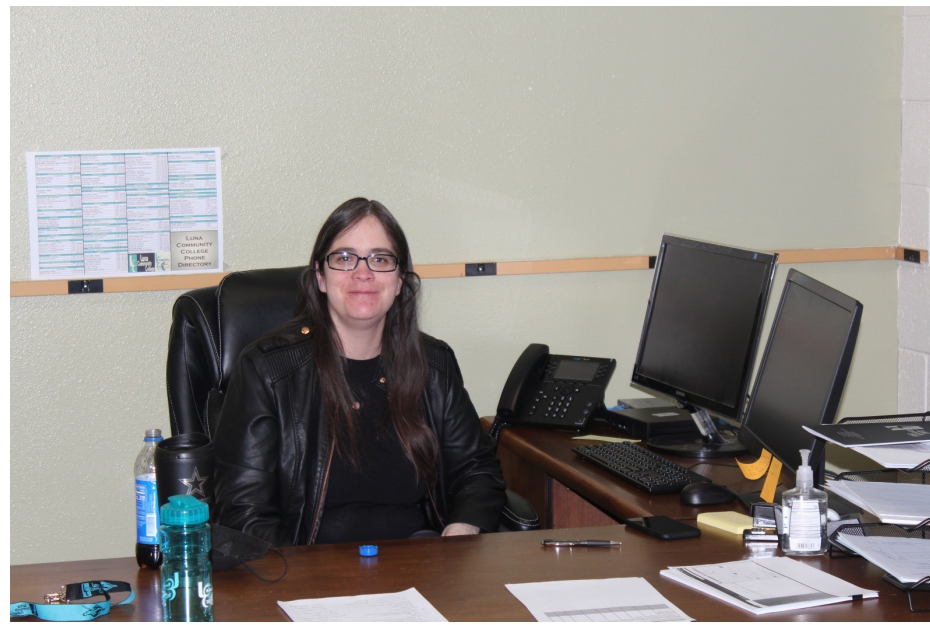
We are in New Mexico, which has a thriving film industry, and that means jobs and potential for Luna graduates.

What is the potential of the media arts program?

New Mexico has a 10-year, billion-dollar commitment from Netflix and additional commitments from NBC Universal and others. With that sort of industry investment, there's great potential for Luna's media arts program.

What is the potential target date for the new media arts program to begin?

Fall 2021.



“Creating Opportunities for You!”

Luna welcomes four new employees. Pictured clockwise are Marcus Garcia, facilities department; Sharon Martinez, Institutional Effectiveness and Research Department; Barbara Romero, human resources department; and Jonathan Lujan, admissions and recruitment department.



Luna auto collision student Arsenio Garcia works on a project. Students follow strict COVID-19 protocol, which includes social distancing, mask wearing and sanitizing all tools after each use. For more information on Luna's Auto Collision program, please call 505-454-2530.

Join our team and help us serve our communities!

Employment opportunities

Positions available at Luna Community College

FULL-TIME

- College & Career Readiness Institute faculty and staff ... opened Jan. 27, 2021
- Branch campus & location coordinator ... opened Jan. 15, 2021
- Custodian I ... opened Jan. 15, 2021

TEMPORARY PART-TIME

- Preschool substitute teacher/ caretaker ... opened Sept. 30, 2020

ADJUNCT (per course)

- Career & Technical Education —

automotive instructor, Springer ... opened Nov. 21, 2019

- Career & Technical Education — welding instructor, Santa Rosa ... opened Oct. 31, 2019
- Career & Technical Education — CDL instructor ... opened August 28, 2019
- Career & Technical Education — collision repair instructor ... opened June 6, 2018

Most recent postings listed first. All positions open until filled unless otherwise noted. For more information



on each position, please log on to our website at <https://www.luna.edu/jobs>

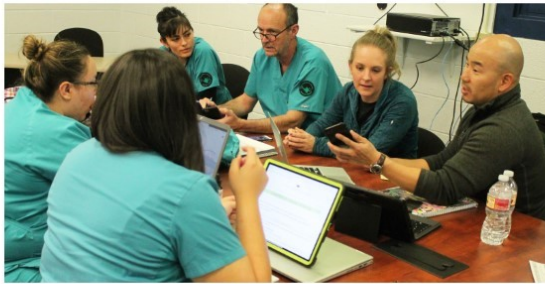


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We help you
take on
the
TEAS!

FREE workshops to help prepare you for the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) are now being offered at Luna Community College. Contact Yvonne Piña, ypina@luna.edu, or 505-454-2525, to sign up or to get more information.

Workshop schedule



Free TEAS prep
Workshops

**NOW ONLINE; E-MAIL FOR
DETAILS OR TO SIGN UP**

WORKSHOP TOPIC	DATE
Intro & prep test	Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Reading	Feb. 18, 5 p.m.
Math	Feb. 22, 5 p.m.
Science	Feb. 24, 6 p.m.
Anatomy & physiology	March 2, 5:30 p.m.
Conclusion	March 4, 5 p.m.

**Take all six free workshops,
and we will pay your first TEAS fee!***

* All workshops and post-tests must be completed within same sequence in order to be eligible. Limit one free TEAS fee waiver per participant. Contact LCC Nursing Department for details.



College Scorecard:

The U.S. Department of Education's College Scorecard has the most reliable data on college costs, graduation and post-college earnings. Visit collegescorecard.ed.gov

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Feb. 19, 2021

The 55th Legislature's regular session began on Jan. 19 and will end at noon March 20. Deadline for introduction of legislation is Feb. 18. Due to COVID-19 precautions, access to the Roundhouse is limited this session while both chambers are employing both teleconferencing and social distancing to conduct business. Luna @ The Legislature, an initiative of the Luna Community College Office of Public Relations, provides a weekly update on the session to inform the campus community.

Legislation of particular interest to Luna Community College, filed as of publication deadline:

House Bill 2 General Appropriations Act, introduced Jan. 19 by Patricia Lundstrom ... Among other appropriations, sets aside \$867 million from general fund, \$672,300 from other state funds, \$52.9 million from internal service funds and interagency transfers, and \$10.8 million from federal funds to higher education department for spending or alloca-

tion to higher education agencies in fiscal year 2022 ... Currently in House Appropriations & Finance Committee.

HB 25 LESC Study of Public & Postsecondary Education, introduced Jan. 4 by G. Andres Romero ... Tasks Legislative Education Study Committee to study issues pertaining to public schools and public postsecondary education in New Mexico. Passed House 66-0; currently in Senate Education Committee.

HB 43 Black Education Act, introduced Jan. 5 by Sheryl Williams Stapleton ... Requires development of racial sensitivity and anti-racism training for public education and higher education. Currently in House Appropriations & Finance Committee.

HB 83 Change Graduation Requirements, introduced Jan. 13 by G. Andres Romero ... Calls for high school students receiving opportunity to prepare next-step plans to include curricular and course options such as dual credit, career pathways, college prep. Amended ver-

sion currently on House calendar for consideration.

HB 87 Yazzie Lawsuit Higher Ed Funding, introduced Jan. 14 by Derrick Lente ... Makes appropriations to state institutions of higher education and tribal colleges to comply with the Martinez & Yazzie v. New Mexico lawsuit by improving educational outcomes for certain students and families. Currently in House Education Committee.

HB 100 College & Career Readiness Systems, introduced Jan. 15 by Raymundo Lara ... Funds \$3 million for college and career readiness systems statewide and sets requirements to receive funding. Amended version currently in House Appropriations & Finance Committee. (See also SB 107.)

HB 101 New Mexico Lottery Educational Assistance Act, introduced Jan. 15 by Raymundo Lara, Phelps Anderson, Randall Pettigrew, Steven

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Neville ... Adds certain other types of gaming as potential revenue sources for state lottery educational assistance program. Currently in House Education Committee.

HB 117 General Appropriations Act of 2021, introduced Jan. 19 by Patricia Lundstrom and Nathan Small ... Among other appropriations, funds \$6,984,200 for instruction and general purposes, \$1,866,600 other and \$453,200 athletics, along with \$483,800 student retention and completion, \$251,000 nurse expansion at Luna Community College. Currently in House Appropriations & Finance Committee. (See also SB 176.)

HB 131 Assistant Secretary of Hispanic Education, introduced Jan. 19 by Christine Trujillo ... Creates position of assistant secretary of Hispanic education in the Higher Education Department. Currently in House Education Committee.

HB 133 College Hunger Reduction Pilot Program, introduced Jan. 19 by Joanne Ferrary, Karen Bash, Melanie Stansbury ... Appropriates \$100,000 to Higher Education Department for pilot program. Currently in House Appropriations & Finance Committee.

HB 217 Public health emergency lottery scholarships, introduced Feb. 2 by Micaela Lara Cadena ... Amends eligibility requirements for student to receive legislative lottery scholarship during public health emergency. Currently in House State Government, Elections & Indian Affairs Committee.

HB 218 Student Loan Bill of Rights Act, introduced Feb. 2 by Patricia Roybal Caballero and Katy Duhigg... Enacts regulations over student loan servicers. Currently in House Judiciary Committee. (See also SB 164.)

HB 285 Capital Outlay Projects, introduced Feb. 16 by Javier Martinez ... Provides for severance tax bonds and includes \$103,500 to plan, design, construct, renovate, purchase, equip and install fire alarm systems campuswide at Luna Community College. Also appropriates for educational retirement board facility work. Currently in House Taxation & Revenue Committee.

HB 289 College Faculty Minimum Wage, introduced Feb. 16 by Christine Trujillo ... Sets minimum wage and makes other provisions for non-tenure track faculty. Currently in House Education Committee.

HB 294 Gaming Revenue to Lottery Tuition Fund, introduced Feb. 18 by Derrick Lente ... Distributes a portion of the Indian gaming revenue to the lottery tuition fund. Currently in House Education Committee.

HB 297 Workforce and Economic Prosperity Act, introduced Feb. 18 by Angelica Rubio ... Creates Workforce and Economic Prosperity Council, creates council and mandates development of statewide framework to develop clean energy workforce and sustainable economy. Currently in House Commerce & Economic Development Committee.

HB 302 Financial Literacy for Graduation introduced Feb. 18 by Cathrynn Brown and Gail Armstrong ... Creates financial literacy requirement for high school students, involving preparation of next-step plan to include exposure to college and career options, etc. Currently in House Commerce & Economic Development Committee.

House Memorial 13 North NM Satellite Public Safety Training Center, introduced Feb. 18 by Andrea Romero. Requests Department of Public Safety to convene working group to discuss creation of a satellite law enforcement

and first responder training center in northern New Mexico. Currently in House Judiciary Committee.

Senate Bill 21 Retiree Health Care Act, introduced Jan. 19 by Roberto Gonzales and Natalie Figueroa ... Changes retiree health care act to conform to federal patient protection and Affordable Care Act. Amended version currently on Senate calendar for consideration.

SB 39 Names of Finalists for Executive Positions, introduced Jan. 19 by Bill Tallman ... Exempts records for certain appointive executive position applicants from public inspection pursuant to the Inspection of Public Records Act. Currently in Senate Judiciary Committee.

SB 42 Increase to Educational Retirement Contributions, introduced Jan. 19 by Mimi Stewart ... Increases certain contributions to the educational retirement fund. Currently in Senate Finance Committee.

SB 77 Two Plus Two Pilot Program, introduced Jan. 19 by Gay Kernan ... Creates regional Two Plus Two pilot project to establish seamless transition from community college to university and measure student and institutional outcomes. Currently in Senate Finance Committee.

SB 94 Student Athlete Endorsement Act, introduced Jan. 19 by Mark Moores, Bill O'Neill and Antonio Maestas ... Changes limitations against student athletes earning compensation through use of their name, image or likeness. Amended version currently on Senate calendar for consideration.

SB 107 Career Readiness Systems Statewide, introduced Jan. 19 by Roberto Gonzales ... Funds \$3 million for college

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and career readiness systems statewide and sets requirements to receive funding. Currently in Senate Education Committee. (See also HB 100).

SB 135 Opportunity Scholarship Act, introduced Jan. 31, by Bill O'Neill and Joy Garratt ... Creates Opportunity Scholarship fund for two-year and four-year colleges and universities. Currently in Senate Education Committee.

SB 148 Diversity Commission, introduced Jan. 31 by Mimi Stewart ... Creates Commission on Diversity, Equity and Excellence in Education. Currently in Senate Finance Committee.

SB 151 Educational Loan Repayment, introduced Jan. 31 by David Gallegos ... Enacts Instructional Support Provider Loan Repayment Act. Currently in Senate Finance Committee.

SB 158 Career Job Readiness Programs Funding, introduced Jan. 31 by Pete Campos ... Appropriates \$575,000 to Workforce Solutions Department for job readiness programs for youth and adults. Currently in Senate Taxation, Business & Transportation Committee.

SB 164 Student Loan Bill of Rights Act, introduced Jan. 31 Katy Duhigg... Enacts regulations over student loan servicers. Currently in Senate Judiciary Committee. (See also HB 218.)

SB 165 NMFA Public Projects, introduced Jan. 31 by Shannon Pinto and Nancy Rodriguez ... Authorizes the New Mexico Finance Authority to make loans for public projects from the public project revolving fund available to various entities including Luna Community College for building, equipment, infrastructure, debt refinance, road, land acquisition, water, wastewater, water rights and solid waste projects. Currently in Senate Indian, Rural & Cultural Affairs Committee.

SB 169 Create Higher Ed Coordinating Council, introduced Jan. 31 by Roberto Gonzales ... Creates Higher Education Coordinating Council, gives HED sole authority to approve capital expenditures of state postsecondary institutions. Currently in Senate Finance Committee.

SB 176 General Appropriation Act of 2021, introduced Jan. 31 by George Munoz ... Among other appropriations, funds \$6,984,200 for instruction and general purposes, \$1,866,600 other and \$453,200 athletics, along with \$483,800 student retention and completion, \$251,000 nurse expansion at Luna Community College. Currently in Senate Finance Committee. (See also HB 117.)

SB 233 Student Bill of Rights, introduced Feb. 1 by Linda Lopez ... Enacts Student Bill of Rights for public school students and includes right to access counseling for vocational and other college information, among other rights. Currently in Senate Education Committee.

SB 240 Vocational Training Scholarship Act, introduced Feb. 1 by Cliff Pirtle. Appropriates \$2.55 million and authorizes scholarships for career technical education courses at community colleges ... Currently in Senate Finance Committee.

SB 253 Higher Education Department Libraries, introduced Feb. 1 by Shannon Pinto. Appropriates \$494,000 to HED for improvements in internet access in college and university libraries. Currently in Senate Education Committee.

SB 263 Adult Diploma Program Act, introduced Feb. 1 by Craig Brandt ... Establishes program and contract guidelines for provision of workforce diploma services. Currently in Senate Finance Committee.

SB 305 Capital Outlay Reform Act, introduced Feb. 1 by Pete Campos ... Creates committee, task force and capital

planning & assistance division in DFA to consider capital projects. Currently in Senate Rules Committee.

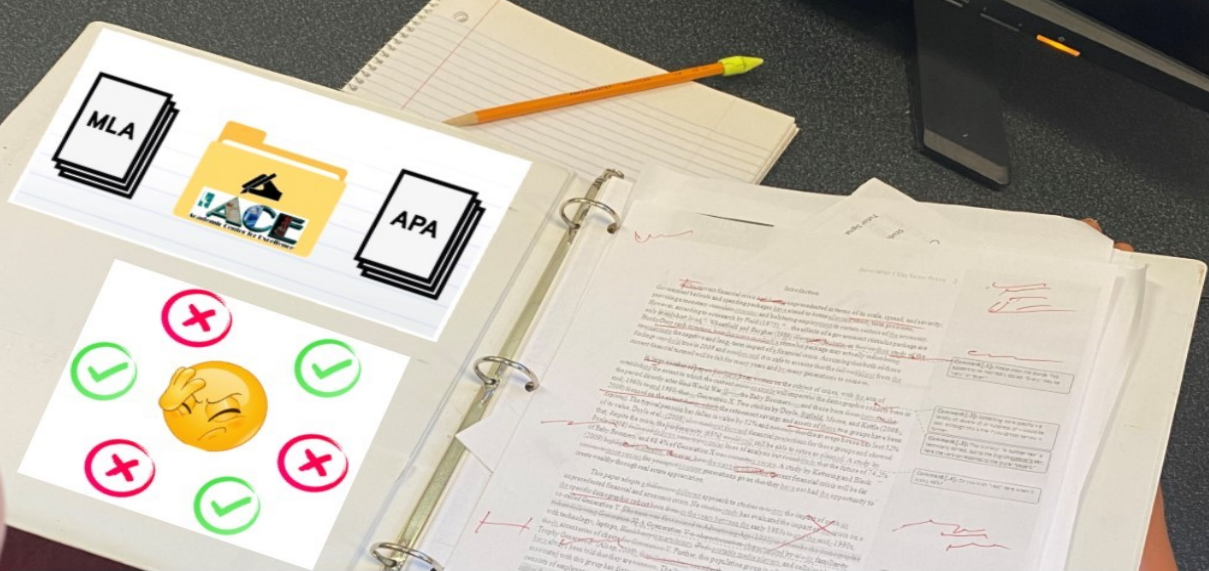
SB 337 Workplace Preparation School Programs, introduced Feb. 10 by Roberto Gonzales ... Appropriates \$750,000 for academically integrated out-of-school and summer programs supporting college and career readiness; includes dual credit and other partnership with postsecondary institutions. Currently in Senate Education Committee.

SB 348 Employment Boot Camp Training, introduced Feb. 10 by Gerald Ortiz y Pino ... Appropriates \$3 million for Central New Mexico community college for development of intensive short-term boot camp training for unemployed and underemployed; curricula to be licensed to other New Mexico colleges. Currently in Senate Education Committee.

SB 375 Officer Training & Certification, introduced Feb. 11 by George Munoz and Stuart Ingle ... Provides for new areas of emergency responder training, creates law enforcement certification board. Currently in Senate Judiciary Committee.

SB 390 Educational Retirees Returning to Work, introduced Feb. 17 by Mimi Stewart ... Amends regulations on return-to-work and retirement benefits for educational retirees. Currently in Senate Education Committee.

As of 10:30 a.m. Feb. 19, 2021. Compiled by Dave Kavanaugh, LCC Communications & Marketing.



Virtual Writing Workshop Feb. 26!

Tired of all the red ink on your papers? Don't stress! The ACE will be hosting a virtual writing workshop. We will cover APA/MLA formatting and other common issues in writing. Most subjects — from Humanities, Criminal Justice, Allied Health STEM — and scholarships have some type of essay requirement, and we are here to help in any area needed.

This is a free workshop for all LCC students. Everyone is welcome to join regardless of major or writing level; we are here for you! There is no prerequisite or any requirements to attend this workshop. Simply pre-register with Ray Varela, ACE Coordinator, by calling or e-mailing at rvarela@luna.edu or 505-454-5306.

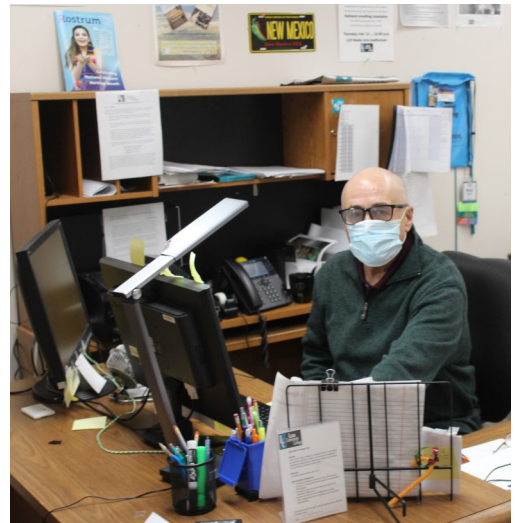
The workshop will be held at 3 p.m. **Friday, Feb. 26**. Please register by **Wednesday, Feb. 24**. If you have any questions please feel free to contact us anytime. The Academic Center for Excellence is here for you, and we look forward to seeing you!



Luna dental assisting students were on campus recently studying and practicing proper combinations of mixing dental material for various dental treatments while following COVID-19 safety protocol. Pictured from the front left (clockwise) are Angela Solano, Alyssa Grego, Daylyn Chavez, Jasmine Barela and Analyse Lucero. Luna dental assisting students also take classes remotely. For more information on Luna's Dental Assistant Program, please call Dental Assisting Program Administrator Gloria Pacheco at 505-454-2528.

“Creating Opportunities for You!”

Luna Humanities faculty member and advisor Rick Baca virtually advises and registers students from his office. Baca says he is grateful to be living and working in beautiful northeastern New Mexico.



Interested in nursing school?

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Nursing Entrance Exam

March 2021

Test dates



Scheduling for the following dates is taking place now.

Tuesday, March 2	1:30 p.m.
Monday, March 8	8:30 a.m.
Tuesday, March 9	10 a.m.
Wednesday, March 10	1:30 p.m.
Tuesday, March 16	8:30 a.m.
Friday, March 19	10 a.m.
Thursday, March 25	1:30 p.m.
Tuesday, March 30	8:30 a.m.

*To reserve a test date,
contact:*

Yvonne Pina
505-454-2525
ypina@luna.edu

*Please provide your
phone number and
preferred exam date in
your e-mail.*

Please create an account with ATI prior to the exam date. To create an account, go to [atitesting.com](https://www.atitesting.com), click on Create Account. On the day of your exam, please arrive 10 minutes early to log in and register for the exam. You will need to bring a debit/credit card to purchase the exam (\$70 per attempt) and a photo ID for identification verification. A calculator is available in ATI, and the proctor will provide paper and pencils for use during the exam. All materials will be collected by the proctor before you leave the exam site. No late admission to testing area.



Former Luna student Saige Martinez develops search and rescue beacon

Luna 2019 mathematics graduate Saige Martinez has developed a search and rescue beacon that provides first aid and communication to a lost person.

Martinez developed that while working with Technology Solution Lab in Albuquerque.

The device measures heart rate, blood oxygen levels and GPS location and has an LED light so the person can see it at night.

"I was part of a funded project for a training I had done through a deep dive coding class at CNM," said

Martinez. "I was the main person on the project and I had a supervisor that guided me."

Martinez recently got some more good news.

"We just got approved from the City of Albuquerque for phase two," said Martinez. "Phase two includes a



Former Luna graduate Saige Martinez dropped by the college earlier this week.

network of devices that will be dropped throughout the location of the lost person."

Martinez is a 2020 Highlands graduate in mathematics and intends to earn his masters in computer science at Highlands.

Martinez' accomplishment was celebrated in a KOAT News segment, recently.

"I think community college is the way to go and for Las Vegas and northern New Mexico Luna is the way to do it," said Martinez. "Dr. Rita Surdi was my advisor at Luna, and she was the best.

There is a lot of logic that goes into what I

am doing, and you have to have a firm grip on math. It is invaluable when it comes to programing."

On advice to current students at Luna, Martinez had this to say: "Follow your heart."

Martinez is a 2013 Robertson High School graduate.

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For more information on Luna, please call

505-454-2550