



January 13 – 17, 2025

Here is what's happening...

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**Important Dates:**

- **First Week of the Spring Semester, 01/13-17.**
- **Classes began January 13, 2025.**
- **Last day to add a class is Tuesday, January 21, 2025.**
- **Last day to withdraw from a class without a grade is January 31.**
- **No classes on Monday, January 20, 2025 – Luna is closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Enjoy your day off!**

Watch Martin Luther King Jr.'s famous "I have a dream speech" here

<https://youtu.be/smEqnklfYs?si=qHMLakK2CRMPT0g9>

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**Tuition Waivers**

Luna Faculty and Staff who are enrolling in classes at either Luna or Highlands this semester must complete and submit their paperwork ASAP and no later than January 31, 2025. For those taking Luna classes, an "Employee Course Clearance" form needs

to be filled out and submitted. Employees can miss up to five hours a week to attend in-person classes. Asynchronous classes must be done on the employee's own time.

### Inclement Weather

Inclement Weather is coming this weekend according to weather reports. Please sign up for RAVE alerts that come right to your phone letting you know about Luna cancelations, delays, etc. For instructions, click on this QR code or click this link:



[https://luna.edu/media/page\\_files/FAQs\\_Signing\\_Up\\_for\\_a\\_Rave\\_Account.pdf](https://luna.edu/media/page_files/FAQs_Signing_Up_for_a_Rave_Account.pdf)


### Rough Rider Mentorship

- Teachers are being hired for After School Programs in Springer, Mora, and Santa Rosa.
- For this semester, we would like to try something new. We would like to recruit Luna instructors to give guest speaker presentations to the various locations.
- These presentations may be given online via Zoom, but should be given three times (Once at each location) for the week the instructor signs up for OR if there is a time conflict, the lecture could be pre-recorded in Zoom and then distributed to the After-School teachers to show to their students on the chosen week.
- So for example, Geno Castillo might give a presentation on Astronomy (not to volunteer him or anything 😊). He might present some cool facts, explains how astronomy factors into future course work, careers, etc. and then provide a cool activity the teachers at the After-School programs can facilitate the students doing. It might be an experiment, an activity, a discussion – it is up to the instructor.
- So what I need from faculty is for them to volunteer to be presenters during a week that works for them, and to get with me in regard to what supplies I need to purchase and provide for the students to do the accompanying activity.


- The plan is to start these presentations the first week of February. Please email [sgoodyear@luna.edu](mailto:sgoodyear@luna.edu) to volunteer for a week.
- It is also okay for departments to share responsibilities, so say Cosmetology decides to do a presentation during a specific week, but one member of the faculty wants to present on Monday and the other Friday, and the other on whatever day Mora chooses – that is fine.
- The After-School Program times are:
  - Springer – Fridays, 4:30-6:30 p.m.
  - Santa Rosa – Mondays, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
  - Mora – TBA
- The weeks I need volunteers are:

- February 3-7	
- February 10-14	
- February 17-21	
- February 24-28	
- March 3-7	
- March 10-14	- Spring Break – No After School Program so no volunteers needed.
- March 17-21	
- March 24 – 28	
- March 31 – April 4	
- April 7-11	
- April 14-18 (Friday, April 18 – Luna closed for Good Friday/Spring Recess)	
- April 21-25 (Monday, April 21 – Luna closed for Spring Recess) Whoever signs up to present in Santa Rosa on April 14, will be expected to present in Springer on April 25 because of the holiday)	
- April 28-May 2	
- May 5-9	

Spring Term 2025 Full Term Academic Calendar	
Schedule Available Online for Spring 2025	Monday, November 4, 2024
Registration Begins for Spring 2025	Monday, November 11, 2024
<b>Winter Break – CAMPUS CLOSED</b>	<b>Monday, December 23, 2024 – Friday, January 3, 2025</b>
Classes Begin	Monday, January 13, 2025
<b>Holiday – Martin Luther King, Jr Day – CAMPUS CLOSED</b>	<b>Monday, January 20, 2025</b>
Last day to Add (Full Term & 1 <sup>st</sup> 8-week Courses Only)	Tuesday, January 21, 2025
Last day to drop Without a Grade	Friday, January 31, 2025
Census	Friday, January 31, 2025
Midterm Week	March 3 – March 8, 2025
Spring Break – LCC Students & Faculty	March 10 – March 15, 2025
<b>Spring Break – LCC Staff – CAMPUS CLOSED</b>	<b>March 13 – March 14, 2025</b>
Midterm Grades Due to Registrar by 12:00 noon	Monday, March 17, 2025
Midterm Grades will be Available	Friday, March 21, 2025
Deadline to Change Status from Credit to Audit	Friday, March 28, 2025
Deadline to Complete Commencement Participation Application (Spring & Summer 2025 Graduates)	Friday, April 4, 2025
Last Day to Withdraw from Full Term Classes with a W	Thursday, April 17, 2025
<b>Spring Recess – CAMPUS CLOSED</b>	<b>Friday, April 18, 2025 – Monday, April 21, 2025</b>
Final Exam Week	Monday, May 5 – Friday, May 9, 2025
Semester Ends	Friday, May 9, 2025
Commencement Exercises	Saturday, May 10, 2025 at 10am
Final Grades Due to Registrar by 12:00 noon	Tuesday, May 13, 2025
Grades will be available	Friday, May 16, 2025
1 <sup>st</sup> 8-Week Session January 16, 2025 – March 9, 2025	
Classes Begin	Monday, January 13, 2025
Last Day to Add	Tuesday, January 21, 2025
Last Day to Drop Classes Without a Grade	Friday, January 31, 2025
Deadline to Change Status from Credit to Audit	Friday, February 14, 2025
Last Day to Withdraw from Courses with a W	Friday, February 21, 2025
Last Day of Class/Last Day for Final Exam	Saturday, March 8, 2025
Final Grades Due to Registrar by 12:00 noon	Tuesday, March 11, 2025
Grades will be available	Friday, March 14, 2025
2 <sup>nd</sup> 8-week Session March 18, 2025 – May 9, 2025	
Classes Begin	Monday, March 17, 2025
Last Day to Add	Friday, March 17, 2025
Last Day to Drop Without a Grade	Friday, March 28, 2025
Deadline to Change Status from Credit to Audit	Thursday, April 17, 2025
Last Day to Withdraw from Courses with a W	Friday, April 25, 2025
Last Day of Class/Last Day for Final Exam	Friday, May 9, 2025
Final Grades Due to Registrar by 12:00 noon	Tuesday, May 13, 2025
Grades will be available	Friday, May 16, 2025

2024-2025 Faculty Calendar (175)								Nine-Month Period							
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2	<b>July 2024</b>								<b>January 2025</b>						
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6	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	26 Semester Ends	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
7	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	<b>August 2024</b>	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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9	<b>August 2024</b>								<b>February 2025</b>						
10	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	12-9 - Month Contract Begins	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
11					1	2	3	12-16 In Service							1
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13	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	<b>September 2024</b>	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
14	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	2 Holiday-Labor Day	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
15	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	<b>October 2024</b>	23	24	25	26	27	28	
16	<b>September 2024</b>								<b>March 2025</b>						
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19	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	<b>November 2024</b>	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
20	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	13 Early Registration Begins	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	28-29 Holiday - Thanksgiving	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
22	29	30						<b>December 2024</b>	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
23	<b>October 2024</b>								<b>April 2025</b>						
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26	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	9- Final Grades Due	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
27	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	9-13 In Service	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
28	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	23-31 - Winter Break	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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30	<b>November 2024</b>								<b>May 2025</b>						
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32						1	2	6-10 In Service					1	2	3
33	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	20 Holiday - Martin Luther King Day	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
34	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	14 Classes Begin	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
35	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	<b>February 2025</b>	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
36	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	3-7 Midterm Week	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
37	<b>December 2024</b>								<b>June 2025</b>						
38	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	17 Midterm Grades Due	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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42	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	18-21 Holiday- Easter Break	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
43	29	30	31					<b>May 2025</b>	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
44	<b>Prepared By:</b>								<b>June 2025</b>						
45	<b>LCC Human Resources Department</b>								S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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47								9 Semester Ends	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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49								12 Final Grades Due	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
50								12-16 In Service	29	30					
51								16 9 - Month Contract Ends							
52								26 Holiday - Memorial Day							
								<b>June 2025</b>							
								19 Holiday - Juneteenth Day							



2024-2025 Staff Calendar (261)									Twelve-Month Period						
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LCC Human Resources Department															

## Dental Assisting Program

### Request for Third Party Comments by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA)

Luna Community College's Dental Assisting Program is soliciting third-party comments in preparation for its **April 9-10, 2025** site visit by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA).

Our last site visit occurred on February 16-17, 2016. Our current accreditation status is: **Approval** (without reporting requirements), an accreditation classification granted to an educational program indicating that the program achieves or exceeds the basic requirements for accreditation.

Interested parties may submit an appropriate comment to the Commission on Dental Accreditation. An appropriate comment is one that directly addresses the program's compliance with the Commission's standards, policies and procedures. Signed or unsigned comments will be accepted, and names and/or signatures will be removed from comments prior to forwarding them to the program. Comments must pertain only to the standards for the particular program or policies and procedures used in the Commission's accreditation process.

A copy of the appropriate accreditation standards and/or the Commission's policy on third-party comments may be obtained by contacting the Commission by calling 1-312-440-4653 or by email. Please email comments to the appropriate CODA staff. Staff emails are found at: <https://coda.ada.org/about-coda/coda-staff>.

The deadline for submission is **sixty (60) days prior** to the site visit – **February 9, 2025**. Please click on **POSTING FORM FOR THIRD PARTY COMMENTS** for further instructions regarding the submission of a comment.

## Wildfire Resiliency Training Center (WRTC):

The WRTC will be offering First Aid/CPR classes monthly. All LCC personnel will be able to take the classes free of charge. Our goal is to have all Luna folks certified. Please take advantage of this offer, it will be good for all of us!

Here are the dates for the next two offerings:

February 20

March 20

Please contact Hank Blackwell or Aillen Sanchez to register.

The WRTC class schedule for the Spring semester can be found on the LCC webpage. These wildfire classes have already resulted in employment for several of our students from last semester. Interested individuals may contact either Hank Blackwell or Karen Wezwick at the WRTC.

The WRTC will be offering a free class on Wildfire Structural Ignition Awareness on Saturday, February 8 from 11-5 at the Bernal Community Center. Please RSVP with Ellen Drew @ 505.652.9439 or [edrewnm@gmail.com](mailto:edrewnm@gmail.com).

If you have any questions, contact Hank at the WRTC.

## Graduation Info from the Registrar

Good Morning LCC Students,

Are you ready to graduate in Fall or Spring? If so then this message is for you! It is time to begin gearing up for the biggest celebration of your academic career. Students who plan to finish degree or certificate requirements need to apply to graduate. How do you do this? Follow these steps and submit the attached to the Office of the Registrar by the deadline indicated below:

- All FALL graduates are eligible to walk in the SP25 commencement ceremony.
- Deadline to order your regalia (cap and gown) - Friday, March 28, 2025 with the LCC Bookstore - see attached flier for details
- Deadline to apply to graduate SPRING GRADUATES ONLY - Monday, March 10, 2025 by 5pm MST- submit Application for Degree and pay the one time graduation fee of \$15.00 per degree or certificate. (attached)

**ALL STUDENTS PLEASE DO NOT FORGET TO INDICATE ON YOUR APPLICATION FOR DEGREE YES OR NO, IF YOU WILL BE WALKING FOR THE SPRING 2025 COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY .**

Students will receive their Final Degree Check clearing them for their degree via your LCC Student Email to include your eligibility for graduation honors. All students who are eligible for honors will be able to purchase the honor cord with your regalia order at the Bookstore who will have a list of students who qualify.

Students need to meet with their academic advisors to have their Application for Degree signed before submission to the Office of the Registrar. Also, students are required to pay the one-time non-refundable \$15 graduation fee (per award) at the time they submit their Graduation Clearance form. Failure to submit your Graduation Application and pay your fee will result in a delay of you receiving your diploma.



If you have already submitted your documents to our office please be on the lookout for your clearance via your LCC student email. If students feel that they need to be seen for a Final Degree by the Registrar's Office, please contact us to schedule your appointment.

Congratulations!

*Kindly,  
Alicia B Chacon, Registrar  
Office of Registrar  
505-454-2546  
505-454-2548  
achacon@luna.edu  
registrar@luna.edu*

### Luna Eats

**Luna Eats Menu for  
Wednesday, 1/22/25**

**Filipino Tosino**  
Pork marinated in Filipino spices then seared,  
served with garlic rice and a fried egg

**Cabbage salad with Asian  
vinaigrette**

The graphic also features three penguins: one wearing a red scarf, one wearing a blue beanie, and one wearing an orange hat.

*Our next Luna Eats lunch will be Wednesday, 1/22 at noon in the cafeteria. Free for students and \$5 for faculty and staff. Luna faculty and staff may purchase lunch tickets at the cashier's desk in the Administration Building.*

# Luna Eats

Join us for a healthy lunch!

- **NEW** days - Every Monday and Wednesday at noon
- Cafeteria in Allied Health
- Menu changes weekly
- First come, first serve

**Monday lunches are for students only and are FREE.**

**Wednesday lunches are for everyone - students, staff and faculty. Staff and Faculty \$5 cash only, exact change. Purchase a ticket at the cashier's desk in the Admin building and bring to lunch. Tickets can be used for any Wednesday lunch.**

Thank you to the Luna Strong and CTE programs at Luna for making this possible.



## Luna Strong



Luna Strong offers resources and support to students, staff and faculty at Luna Community College.

- Free food on campus – 3 tienditas (in Admin, in cafeteria and in Student Services upstairs)
- Timely Care physical and mental healthcare – free 24/7
- Basic Needs/Resources – contact Crystal Western Ford at [cwesternford@luna.edu](mailto:cwesternford@luna.edu) or at 505-454-2527 ext 1806

More local resources are also found on our website at <https://sites.google.com/luna.edu/lunastrong/home>



Check out the video below to learn how to register

Video on how to register for Timely Care:

[Timely Care How To Register Video](#)

Video on Digital Self Care:

[Digital Self Care Video](#)

I know this is a long video at about 37 minutes, but it has different sections on topics such as anxiety, procrastination, breaking projects into smaller steps and stress reduction techniques.





# How to Access Free, 24/7 Virtual Care from Anywhere

It's simple! Follow these steps and you'll be connected to virtual health and well-being services in no time.

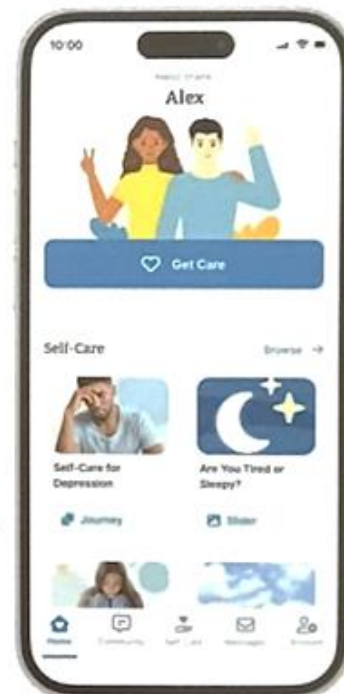


- 1 **Access TimelyCare.**  
Scan this QR code.



- 2 **Log in with your school email address.**  
Use the one that ends in .edu.
- 3 **Fill out some information. Nothing too complicated!**  
TimelyCare is confidential, secure, and HIPAA compliant.
- 4 **Click "Get Care."**  
Well, you get it.
- 5 **Don't need a visit right away? Check out our Self-Care tab.**  
It's self-care at your fingertips.

Get care now at [timelycare.com/Luna](https://timelycare.com/Luna)



Having trouble logging in? Call 1-833-4-TIMELY for assistance.

We've got you covered!

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



## Faculty & Staff Guidance Line

**What?** This is a dedicated phone line for your faculty and staff to reach the TimelyCare team for guidance and support in cases of student distress.

**Who?** Any faculty or staff member can use this resource.

**Why?** Faculty and staff are often the first line of support for students who can benefit from care.

**How?** Call **833-4-TIMELY** any time, day or night.  
Connect with a TimelyCare professional and talk about how to best support your students' well-being.

### Use this service when a student:



Shows academic signs of distress.



Discloses problems with family, peers, a significant other, or a recent personal loss.



Refers to self-harm.



Isolates from peers, faculty, or staff.



Shows physical and psychological signs of distress.



Is identified by peers as potentially needing support.

Have questions about a student in need of support? Call **833-4-TIMELY** for guidance.

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## Reminders

- All committees, departments, and individuals with information to share are encouraged to send their knowledge to [sgoodyear@luna.edu](mailto:sgoodyear@luna.edu) each week by 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday (unless otherwise noted) for inclusion in the week's update. If you miss a deadline, don't worry, your information will be included in the following week's update provided it is still timely. When possible, your information should be in tidy bullet points that can easily be added to the basic update format. It is also helpful if you respond to the request for information for the week of the update in the reminder email that was sent out, as it makes it easier for me to find and include what you send in the update. Please submit any pictures in the form of jpegs.
- Thanks to all who shared information for this week's edition of "What's Happening at Luna."
- If you missed an edition of "What's Happening at Luna," find it here: [https://luna.edu/whats\\_happening](https://luna.edu/whats_happening).

Have a Wonderful Weekend, Everyone!