

June 21, 2022

Dear Campus Community,

On June 21, a member of our Emergency Operations Team was notified that two LCC employees have tested positive for COVID-19. The individuals were last on campus June 17th in the Health and Science Building, Admissions, Student Center, Rose Center for the Arts, and the Early Learning Center. Both employees are currently in isolation.

I understand that this news is concerning, and want to assure you that we are actively following guidance from the [Cowlitz County Health Department](#) and recommendations from the [Washington State Department of Health](#) and [U.S Centers for Disease Control & Prevention](#).

Due to privacy laws, we cannot share the name of the individual or other personally identifiable information.

Anyone with [symptoms of COVID-19](#) is encouraged to self-isolate according to our [Return to Campus Guide](#), and contact their health care provider for guidance. To help keep our campus community safe, please also let us know by emailing covid@lowercolumbia.edu. Your information will be kept confidential, and we will connect you with campus support options.

If you have additional questions or concerns, please email covid@lowercolumbia.edu. Updates and information about the virus, including links to resources, are available on our website at lowercolumbia.edu/covid-19.

Your mental health is just as important as your physical health.

- Students, our counselors are available to serve you during this time of uncertainty. Please contact them at lcromwell@lowercolumbia.edu or jhouge@lowercolumbia.edu to request assistance. This is a free and confidential service.
- Employees, during this stressful time, remember the [Employee Assistance Program \(EAP\)](#) is available. EAP services are free and confidential.

Stay safe!

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