

Announcements

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Below are the latest news and announcements from LSC-Online, as seen in the D2L Announcements widget. This page will be regularly updated, with the newest information at the top.

RESOLVED: Turnitin - Outage Posted in D2L on Sep 2, 2025 12:09 PM (Edited)

RESOLVED: This issue is resolved. Turnitin access has been restored.

Original Message:

At this time, **Turnitin** is not available due to an outage. We are working with Turnitin to resolve this issue.

We sincerely apologize for the impact this disruption may be causing. We will provide an update as soon as new information becomes available.

Star Bundle Questions? Adoption Questions? Posted in D2L on Aug 28, 2025 3:28 PM

Dear Faculty and Students,

If you have questions about star bundle, materials or adoptions for your course please reach out to lsc-bookstore@lonestar.edu ().

Labor Day Campus Closure Posted in D2L on Aug 27, 2025 6:00 AM

[LSC campuses will be closed Aug 30 - Sep 1. \(https://www.lonestar.edu/academic-calendar.htm\)](https://www.lonestar.edu/academic-calendar.htm)

RESOLVED: Intermittent D2L Issues Posted in D2L on Aug 25, 2025 11:09 AM (Edited)

Dear Faculty and Students,

We experienced disruption with D2L services between **10:45-11:15am**. We have received

confirmation from D2L that the recent **access issues have been resolved**. Our team will continue to monitor the platform closely to ensure stability and performance.

Preliminary information indicates that the outage may have been related to a disruption in AWS services, which impacted D2L’s availability.

We apologize for the inconvenience that this may have caused you this morning. Should you experience any further issues, please do not hesitate to contact the support team.

Original Message:

We are aware that some users are currently experiencing intermittent issues accessing D2L (Brightspace). Please know that we are actively working with D2L’s support team to identify and resolve the root cause as quickly as possible.

We understand how important reliable access is, especially at the start of the semester, and we appreciate your patience and understanding during this time. We will provide updates as soon as more information becomes available.

If you encounter any urgent issues or need assistance in the meantime, please don’t hesitate to reach out to our support team.

**Cengage Fall 2025 Student Office Hours
Posted in D2L on Aug 23, 2025 10:36 AM**

During the upcoming Fall 2025 semester, if you need help getting started with Cengage, there will be Virtual Office Hours (https://www.cengage.com/coursepages/Live_Student_Office_Hours) held on the following dates and times (all times are in CST):

Cengage Student Training - Virtual Office Hours

August (9 AM - Noon; 1 PM - 4 PM)	September (10 AM - Noon; 1 PM - 3 PM; except as otherwise)
Aug 25, Mon (https://cengage.zoom.us/j/99160612507)	Sep 2, Mon (https://cengage.zoom.us/j/97442254181)
Aug 26, Tues (https://cengage.zoom.us/j/91417317772)	Sep 3, Tues (https://cengage.zoom.us/j/94597487275)
Aug 27, Wed (https://cengage.zoom.us/j/92631803166)	Sep 4, Wed (https://cengage.zoom.us/j/97721416677)
Aug 28, Thurs (https://cengage.zoom.us/j/97292745944)	Sep 5, Thurs (https://cengage.zoom.us/j/97647406197)

August (9 AM - Noon; 1 PM - 4 PM)	September (10 AM - Noon; 1 PM - 3 PM; except as otherwise)
Aug 29, Fri (https://cengage.zoom.us/j/97197733645)	Sep 8, Mon (11 AM - 2 PM) (https://cengage.zoom.us/j/92306377485)
	Sep 9, Tues (11 AM - 2 PM) (https://cengage.zoom.us/j/91301432474)
	Sep 10, Wed (11 AM - 2 PM) (https://cengage.zoom.us/j/97668069149)

Stop by with any questions about accessing or using your Cengage materials!

[Click here for the Cengage Lone Star College Student Support page!](https://www.cengage.com/coursepages/LSC_Students_Start_Strong)
(https://www.cengage.com/coursepages/LSC_Students_Start_Strong)

LSC Honors College & Global Scholars Posted in D2L on Aug 19, 2025 4:00 PM

[Apply today \(https://www.lonestar.edu/college-departments/honors/index.htm\)](https://www.lonestar.edu/college-departments/honors/index.htm) to our **Honors College** program!

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Thank you for choosing Lone Star College. We wish you the greatest success in your educational journey.

Star Bundle Now Available in D2L Posted in D2L on Aug 6, 2025 4:47 PM

The **Star Bundle** has launched in D2L for Students and Faculty! You can now access it by clicking **[Course Materials]** in the **Navbar** of all your D2L courses.

For Faculty, if you are using one of several third-party integrations which are partnered with VitalSource, it will mean you need to change how you pair your course. At current, this list consists of **Top Hat**, **Macmillan**, and **Pearson**. Please contact your **Third Party Representative** for details.

For students, you can now opt-in or opt-out from star bundle program right from your D2L course. It is a hassle-free experience to use access-codes to publisher sites.

If you have further questions, please reach out to [LSC-Bookstore@lonestar.edu \(\)](mailto:LSC-Bookstore@lonestar.edu) or [help@vitalsource.com \(\)](mailto:help@vitalsource.com).

Payment Reminder Posted in D2L on July 22, 2025 12:01 AM

[Fall 2025 Payments Due by August 2 \(https://www.lonestar.edu/payment\)](https://www.lonestar.edu/payment)

Turnitin Scheduled Maintenance Posted in D2L on July 10, 2025 10:22 AM

Turnitin will be conducting a 6-hour maintenance on **Saturday, August 9th, 10:00 AM ~ 4:00 PM CDT**.

During this time, all Turnitin services will be unavailable, including the Turnitin integration within D2L.

Please avoid submitting assignments to Turnitin or to any Turnitin-enabled assignment folders in D2L during this maintenance window.

We recommend planning ahead to ensure that any necessary submissions are completed outside this period.

Thank you for your understanding.

Independence Day Campus Closure Posted in D2L on July 3, 2025 12:01 AM

LSC campuses will be closed on July 3-4. (<https://www.lonestar.edu/academic-calendar.htm>)

Star Bundle Coming Soon! Posted in D2L on Jun 18, 2025 2:42 PM

New, this Fall 2025, get your textbooks delivered to you on the first day of class!
(<https://www.lonestar.edu/starbundle>)

Juneteenth Holiday Campus Closure Posted in D2L on

All Campuses will be closed on June 19th (<https://www.lonestar.edu/academic-calendar.htm>).

Memorial Day Campus Closure Posted in D2L on May 21, 2025 12:01 AM

LSC campuses will be closed on May 24-26. (<https://www.lonestar.edu/academic-calendar.htm>)

Cengage Summer 2025 Training Sessions for Students Posted in D2L on May 9, 2025 1:34 PM

Cengage Student Training - Virtual Office Hours

[Click here to join the meeting via Microsoft Teams!](#)

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Dear Students,

Join us for an upcoming **IntelliWriter** training session to help you navigate and use the tool effectively. This session is designed to support your learning experience and answer any questions you may have.

- We encourage you to register and take advantage of this opportunity to enhance your skills! For more information on IntelliWriter, please refer to the [Use IntelliWriter \(https://vlac.lonestar.edu/help/use-intelliwriter-in-d2l\)](https://vlac.lonestar.edu/help/use-intelliwriter-in-d2l) article here in VLAC.

**May Mini-mester Payment Due May 2nd
Posted in D2L on Apr 24, 2025 10:51 AM**

May Mini-mester payment is due May 2nd. Log into myLoneStar to [make a payment](https://www.lonestar.edu/payment.htm) (<https://www.lonestar.edu/payment.htm>) for preregistered classes.

Meet the Ellis C. AI Chatbot for VLAC **Posted in D2L on Apr 22, 2025 4:28 PM**

We're excited to introduce **Ellis C.**, the new AI-powered virtual assistant built into VLAC. It is trained on all articles available in VLAC and is designed to provide helpful answers to common student questions. Ellis C. is still in its early stages and will continue to improve through ongoing updates and student feedback.

You can ask Ellis C. questions such as:

- *How do I submit an assignment?*
- *Where can I find my grades?*
- *How do I message my instructor?*

If the chatbot cannot find exactly what you're looking for, it will prompt you to rephrase your question or use the **VLAC search bar** for more specific results. Please refer to the [Ellis C. Chatbot on VLAC](https://vlac.lonestar.edu/help/ellis-c-chatbot-vlac) (<https://vlac.lonestar.edu/help/ellis-c-chatbot-vlac>) article for more information.

Try it now by clicking the **[Chat]** icon in the lower right corner of the VLAC page.

Spring Holiday Campus Closure **Posted in D2L on Apr 16, 2025 7:00 AM**

Campuses are [closed for Spring Holiday](https://www.lonestar.edu/academic-calendar.htm) (<https://www.lonestar.edu/academic-calendar.htm>): April 18-20.

Fall 2025 Registration is Open **Posted in D2L on Apr 15, 2025 10:18 AM**

[Register now for the Fall 2025 Semester!](https://www.lonestar.edu/registration.htm) (<https://www.lonestar.edu/registration.htm>)

Full Year Schedule is Now Available **Posted in D2L on Apr 14, 2025 4:02 PM**

PLAN & REGISTER FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR!

Beginning April 14, you will be able to enroll for Fall 2025, Spring 2026, & Summer 2026.

[LoneStar.edu/FullYearSchedule](https://www.lonestar.edu/fullyearschedule) (<https://www.lonestar.edu/fullyearschedule>)

Request for Library Feedback

Posted in D2L on Mar 31, 2025 12:01 AM

LSC Libraries want to hear from you!

Please share your thoughts on the [LSC Libraries Spring 2025 Survey](https://forms.office.com/r/qFSiCLTN8V) (<https://forms.office.com/r/qFSiCLTN8V>).

Register for Honors College Info Session

Posted in D2L on Mar 19, 2025 4:24 PM

Register for the Honors College info session on March 26 4:30 PM-5:30 PM (<https://forms.office.com/r/ijFTqSGdxm>).

[Click here \(https://www.lonestar.edu/college-departments/honors/\)](https://www.lonestar.edu/college-departments/honors/) to learn more about The Honors College program.

Register for the Global Scholars Info Session

Posted in D2L on Mar 18, 2025 12:16 PM

Register for the Global Scholars Info Session! (<https://forms.office.com/r/bv5MXZ8qZq>)

[Click here \(https://www.lonestar.edu/college-departments/globalscholars/\)](https://www.lonestar.edu/college-departments/globalscholars/) to learn more about our Global Scholars program.

All LSC Campuses are Closed for Spring Break

Posted in D2L on Mar 7, 2025 12:01 AM

All LSC campuses are [closed for Spring Break \(https://www.lonestar.edu/academic-calendar.htm\)](https://www.lonestar.edu/academic-calendar.htm) on March 10-16, 2025.

Enroll in International Studies (IS) Designated Courses!

Posted in D2L on Mar 5, 2025 2:46 PM

Enroll in International Studies (IS) designated courses to stand out for transfer and career opportunities! (<https://www.lonestar.edu/ISdesignation>)

May Mini-mester and Summer I & II 2025 - Register Now!

Posted in D2L on Feb 27, 2025 11:36 AM

Accelerate. Accomplish. Advance! [Register for May Mini-mester and Summer I & II 2025 now!](https://www.lonestar.edu/mini-mester-and-summer-registration)
(<https://www.lonestar.edu/mini-mester-and-summer-registration>)

LSC Open House 2025

Posted in D2L on Feb 18, 2025 4:36 PM

Get help planning and registering for a FULL YEAR SCHEDULE! Visit an [Open House on April 8, 4-7pm](https://www.lonestar.edu/openhouse) (<https://www.lonestar.edu/openhouse>).

Fall 2025 - Scholarship Application Now Open!

Posted in D2L on Feb 13, 2025 2:35 PM

[Fall 2025 - Scholarship Application](https://www.lonestar.edu/scholarships.htm) (<https://www.lonestar.edu/scholarships.htm>) is due by June 1.

IntelliWriter Training Sessions for Students

Posted in D2L on Feb 6, 2025 2:40 PM

Dear Students,

Join us for an upcoming **IntelliWriter** training session to help you navigate and use the tool effectively. This session is designed to support your learning experience and answer any questions you may have.

Student IntelliWriter Training Date & Registration Link:

- **February 28 | 12 PM CST** → [Register Here](https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/566b57ea-1911-4cf8-b566-0247965be6a8@9eb3e540-fd12-41d3-8fc9-30ffcccc12a3)
(<https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/566b57ea-1911-4cf8-b566-0247965be6a8@9eb3e540-fd12-41d3-8fc9-30ffcccc12a3>)

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Campus Closures - January 21st & 22nd

Posted in D2L on Jan 21, 2025 11:01 AM

Due to College closure, all classes – including online classes – have been canceled for **Tuesday, January 21, 2025**, and **Wednesday, January 22, 2025**. All LSC properties will be closed. LSC expects to reopen for normal hours and resume classes on Thursday, January 23, 2025.

For questions regarding your class, contact your instructor or visit <https://www.lonestar.edu/weather>. (<https://www.lonestar.edu/weather>) For questions regarding registration, schedule changes, etc., please visit our Academic Advising webpage by clicking [here](https://www.lonestar.edu/advising.htm) (<https://www.lonestar.edu/advising.htm>). For additional helpful resources, click [here](https://www.lonestar.edu/care.htm) (<https://www.lonestar.edu/care.htm>).

Stay Safe and Warm!

Next Start Classes - Start Learning Today! **Posted in D2L on Jan 14, 2025 1:09 PM**

[Next Start Classes - Convenient 8 to 14-Week Classes - Start Learning Today!](https://www.lonestar.edu/Class-Start-Options)
(<https://www.lonestar.edu/Class-Start-Options>)

Campus Store - Now Open! **Posted in D2L on Jan 13, 2025 12:01 AM**

Get LSC apparel, school supplies, merch, and gifts at one of our [Campus Store](https://www.lonestar.edu/campus-store) (<https://www.lonestar.edu/campus-store>) locations: LSC-CyFair, LSC-North Harris, LSC-Montgomery, and LSC-University Park.

Work Study Hiring Fair **Posted in D2L on Jan 7, 2025 4:06 PM**

Work Study Hiring Fair on Jan 29th, 10 AM - 2 PM at all main campuses. [Click for details!](http://lonestar.edu/FA-Event)
(<http://lonestar.edu/FA-Event>)

Interested Lone Star College students should just us to be screened for employment eligibility and on-the-spot interviews.

Spring 2025 Semester Start **Posted in D2L on Jan 6, 2025 12:01 AM**

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LSC Winter Holidays - Campus Closed **Posted in D2L on Dec 19, 2024 12:01 AM**

[Lone Star College campuses are closed \(https://www.lonestar.edu/academic-calendar.htm\)](https://www.lonestar.edu/academic-calendar.htm) for the Winter Holidays, Dec. 19 - Jan 1.

Spring 2025 Payment Due **Posted in D2L on Dec 18, 2024 10:42 AM**

[Friendly Reminder: Spring 2025 Payment is Due Jan 4th \(https://www.lonestar.edu/payment.htm\)](https://www.lonestar.edu/payment.htm)

Minimester Students: D2L Email Retiring on 12/18 (Wed) **Posted in D2L on Dec 17, 2024 3:19 PM**

After 12/18, you must access your course emails through the Microsoft 365 widget.

D2L Brightspace email will soon be replaced by the **Microsoft 365 email** integration, which hosts LSC Student Email (@my.lonestar.edu).

What is happening and when?

D2L Brightspace Email

- The D2L Brightspace email service will be retired on **December 18, 2024**.
- After this date, you will no longer be able to access D2L emails through this platform, including your old sent and received emails.
- **Any D2L emails you wish to keep need to be forwarded to your LSC Email prior to this date.**

Microsoft 365 Widget in D2L

- You can already access your Lone Star College email, calendar, and OneDrive directly from D2L using the **Microsoft 365 widget**.
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- Learn more about [using the Microsoft 365 widget \(https://vlac.lonestar.edu/help/microsoft-365-widget\)](https://vlac.lonestar.edu/help/microsoft-365-widget).

For more information about the upcoming changes, [see the FAQ page in VLAC \(https://vlac.lonestar.edu/help/microsoft-365-faqs\)](https://vlac.lonestar.edu/help/microsoft-365-faqs).

LSC Campus Store - Open Soon!

Posted in D2L on Dec 16, 2024 2:20 PM

[Lone Star College Campus Store \(https://www.lonestar.edu/campus-store\)](https://www.lonestar.edu/campus-store) - Opening soon!
Apparel, school supplies, college merch, and gifts!

Reminder: Major Changes to Email in D2L

Posted in D2L on Dec 6, 2024 8:00 AM

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Winter Mini-mester Payment Posted in D2L on Nov 21, 2024 11:35 AM

[Winter Mini-mester \(https://www.lonestar.edu/winter-mini\)](https://www.lonestar.edu/winter-mini) Payment Due, Dec. 6th.

Winter Mini-mester: Enrollment Now Open Posted in D2L on Nov 19, 2024 1:22 PM

[Winter Mini-mester \(https://www.lonestar.edu/winter-mini\)](https://www.lonestar.edu/winter-mini): Short Season, Big Impact, 3 & 4 week classes, begins **Dec. 16th!**

Spring 2025 Enrollment Now Open Posted in D2L on Oct 14, 2024 1:14 PM

Take the first step toward your future today. [Spring Registration \(https://www.lonestar.edu/start/\)](https://www.lonestar.edu/start/) is now open!

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Study Abroad - Summer 2025

Posted in D2L on Sep 23, 2024 3:00 PM

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Food on Campus Scavenger Hunt

Posted in D2L on Sep 10, 2024 10:22 AM

Join the **Food on Campus - Scavenger Hunt** (<https://lonestar.edu/foodscavenger>) for students! Locate the food and beverage amenities around campus for a chance to win exclusive prizes! Sept. 9-23

Next Start Classes for Fall 2024

Posted in D2L on Sep 4, 2024 11:27 AM

Next Start Classes (<https://www.lonestar.edu/class-start-options.htm>) - Enroll anytime and start learning today! Achieve your goals with our flexible 8-14 week courses!

Labor Day Office Closure

Posted in D2L on Sep 2, 2024 12:01 AM

Thank you for your hard work. Offices are closed for Labor Day on **Monday, Sept. 2nd**.

Food on Campus

Posted in D2L on Aug 26, 2024 11:04 AM

Lone Star College now offers a variety of food options across the system. Students can choose quick and affordable meal options to keep them on campus without missing valuable study time. For times and locations, visit [LoneStar.edu/Dining \(https://www.lonestar.edu/dining.htm\)](https://www.lonestar.edu/dining.htm).

August D2L Update

Posted in D2L on Aug 19, 2024 4:24 PM

The next update for D2L is scheduled for **August 22nd**.

Important information regarding the update:

Major Updates

- The **Microsoft 365 Widget** has been released in D2L. See the [full announcement \(https://d2l.lonestar.edu/d2l/le/news/6606/2385855/view?ou=6606\)](https://d2l.lonestar.edu/d2l/le/news/6606/2385855/view?ou=6606) for more details.

Assignments

- Upon submitting an assignment, there will no longer be a **Confirmation Email Sent Successfully** message in the **Email Status** field. However, students will still receive an email confirmation for their submission in their D2L Email as usual.

For information on other D2L-related topics, please search this knowledge base.

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ACCESS MICROSOFT 365 FROM D2L Posted in D2L on Aug 14, 2024 10:09 AM

You can now access Microsoft 365 directly from within D2L. This new feature allows you access to your OneDrive files for assignments, calendar events, and manage your Lone Star College emails seamlessly from within D2L.

What is happening and when?

- **NEW! Office 365 Widget in D2L to Access Your LSC Email, Calendar, and OneDrive in ONE PLACE!**
- Starting August 15, access your Lone Star Branded email, calendar, and OneDrive directly from D2L.
- The widget can be found on the D2L homepage, at the bottom right below your courses, and at the top of the course homepage. See the screenshot below.
- **D2L Brightspace Email**
- The D2L Brightspace email service will be retired on **December 18, 2024**.
- This process will ensure seamless communication and centralize all college-related emails.
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Announcements are only saved for one year before they are removed from this list.
