

ECTC chancellor to help Maysville transition

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Elizabethtown Community and Technical College Chancellor Dr. Juston Pate will serve as the interim chancellor of Maysville Community and Technical College throughout a national search for MCTC’s next chancellor.

Pate will work closely with college leadership teams and maintain a regular presence at both institutions while supporting MCTC through the transition, Kentucky Community

and Technical College System officials said in announcing the additional dutis Monday.

“Dr. Pate is an experienced and respected leader within our system who understands Maysville Community and Technical College, the communities it serves and the important role the college plays throughout the region,” Ryan Quarles, KCTCS president said in a statement. “His familiarity

with MCTC, combined with his strong record of leadership and commitment to student success, will provide stability and focused leadership during this transition. I am grateful for his willingness to serve both colleges and support the students, faculty and staff of MCTC.”

Pate has led ECTC since 2017 and will remain, a spokesman said.

ECTC’s student success metrics have grown across all categories during his

tenure, including a steady increase in graduation rates from 31% when he arrived to over 59% in 2025. Pate has led ECTC to move to an eight-week schedule, partner to build a residential complex for student parents struggling with housing insecurity, develop the college’s foundation, establish the ECTC Robbins University Center and centralize student support services.

“It’s a privilege to support MCTC students, faculty, staff and community during this important transition, and I am looking forward to

working alongside them,” Pate said. “I also am humbled by the quality of ECTC’s faculty, staff and leadership team, which allows for helping another KCTCS college. It’s truly a team effort at ECTC, and the college is moving forward as planned, from major construction projects to our focus on post-graduation student success.”

Earlier in his career with KCTCS, Pate served as provost at MCTC as well as interim president at Hazard Community and Technical College. As interim chan-

cellor, he cannot apply for the permanent post at MCTC.

The national leadership search for MCTC is expected to launch this fall. Additional information about the search will be announced as the process moves forward.

ECTC, which maintains campuses in Leitchfield, Springfield and Fort Knox in addition to its main location, serves Breckinridge, Green, Grayson, Hardin, LaRue, Marion, Meade, Nelson, Taylor and Washington counties.

LWU Blue Raider Band celebrates new uniforms

BY DUANE BONIFER
LINDSEY WILSON

The Lindsey Wilson University Blue Raider Band won’t perform publicly in their new uniforms until the football team’s Aug. 27 season-opener at Parnell Family Stadium.

But a select group of people got to see some members of the Blue Raider Band show off the new outfits Sunday in the Blue Raider Band Building.

“I’m super excited to have them, and I’m really thankful we have new uniforms,” said Dante Eads, a biology major from Russell Springs, who plays saxophone in the band. “I’m glad to be part of it.”

The Blue Raider Band’s new uniforms, which were voted on by the band members, feature the colors blue, white, gray, silver and black. The Lindsey Wilson Blue Raider logo is emblazoned on the uniform’s left breast and it is topped with a cavalier hat trimmed with a feather, which connects band members to the Lindsey Wilson athletics mascot, Blue Raider Bob, whose



Lindsey Wilson University
Lindsey Wilson University Director of Bands Robert Palmer, right, helps Alexander Dugger of Albany find the best fit as the Blue Raider Band received new uniforms Sunday.

cavalier also includes a feather. In addition to the hats, the new uniforms also include rain jackets. Members of the color guard and the drum major also received new uniforms.

“This is an amazing investment the university has made in you all,” Lindsey Wilson Director of Bands Robert Palmer told the band members who attended the Sunday event.

Palmer said that investment was earned thanks to a 2025-26 season that included making “great strides in morale, fantastic performances and fantastic community outreach.”

“There are a lot of really exciting things in store for us this year,” he said.

The uniform hat’s nod to Blue Raider Bob’s costume is what had Jewel Hines of Greensburg eager to celebrate new uniforms at the Sunday gathering.

“I’m really excited for them,” said Hines, a women’s and gender studies major who plays trombone. “I think they are really cool uniforms, especially the calvary hat. I like matching with Bob.”

The Blue Raider Band, which will number around three dozen members this year, will perform a few times in August in the region before the Lindsey Wilson football team opens its 2026 sea-

son at home against Reinhardt University. But the new uniforms won’t be worn in public until the football game on Aug. 27.

“The Light We Follow” will be the title of the Blue Raider Band’s halftime show at this year’s football games, a tribute to songs that center around the sun or inspired by the sun.

Some of the songs that will be part of the performance include the American folk song “The House of the Rising Sun,” which was made popular by the 1960s British rock group The Animals; the 1985 pop song “Walking on Sunshine” by the British pop group Katrina and the Waves; and “Walking on the Moon” by the British New Wave band The Police.

Returning as the Blue Raider Band’s drum major in 2026-27 will be Carlee Huckaby, a human services and counseling major from Columbia.

Huckaby said “it feels really good” to start the 2026-27 school with new uniforms.

“It’s fun to be part of making history,” she said.

Beshear plans tour to promote his book

BY PAIGE ALBRIGHT
TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

Gov. Andy Beshear announced a 13-stop book tour ahead of the release of his memoir.

His book, “Go and Do Likewise: How We Heal a Broken Country,” is set to be released Sept. 22, with the tour scheduled from Sept. 20 to Oct. 6.

The tour is book-ended by stops in Kentucky, opening at Joseph-Beth Booksellers in Lexington and ending at the Kentucky Author Forum in Louisville. Other cities on his itinerary include Washington, D.C., Atlanta, Philadelphia and Chicago.

His book has been described as a “compelling and insightful” story about the governor’s faith and how it has shaped his life both personally and in the public sphere, according to the publisher.

Certain stops on his tour will include conversations with other governors, like Gretchen Whitmer of Michigan, Wes More of Maryland and John Lynch of New Hampshire. It also will feature writers, including Silas House at the Lexington stop, activists and public figures.

Beshear is considered a possible candidate for the Democratic nomination for the 2028 presidential election. He has increased his presence in the national spotlight in recent months and his book announcement follows the trend of the last three presidents, who all mass-published books before winning their seats in the Oval Office.

Tickets for each stop of the tour are listed at \$31 and the purchase of a ticket includes a signed copy of the book. Tickets can be purchased online.

The book also is available for presale on Amazon, Barnes & Noble, Apple Books, Bookshop and Rakuten Kobo.

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include one bathhouse for guest use, campground entrance booth open for

check-in and guest assistance, firewood and ice available for sale, miniature golf and fire rings. The campground store will remain closed during this phase.

The park also plans to host its popular Halloween

in the Park weekends, providing another opportunity to welcome campers back before the campground closes for the season. Scheduled weekends include Oct. 9–11 and Oct. 16–18.

WOODS

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The VPIW position is a growth-oriented role pushing innovation and operational efficiency forward together to scale sustainability. Along with building certificates, credentials and upskilling pathways with regional employers, Woods will be looking across the institution for efficiencies and opportunities.

operational enhancements.

At CU, Woods will strive to identify new and upcoming academic trends and alternative pathways for attaining a degree.

“We are delighted to welcome Andy Woods back to CU. His rich experience as a leader in optimization, innovation, and program management at Amazon will be of tremendous value. His heart for our Christian mission, students, this community, and the legacy of CU give me confidence that he will make a profound impact on our future,” CU President Joe Hopkins said.

Woods is a 2002 graduate of Campbellsville University

with a bachelor of science in educational ministries. In 2025, he also earned a master degree in business administration from CU.

In addition to Amazon, Woods has been employed with Blevins Construction, Bluegrass Cellular, Pro Services Construction and Kentucky Heartland Outreach.

Woods serves as lead pastor of South Church in Campbellsville. His ministry experience also includes serving churches across Kentucky including Friendship Baptist Church in Campbellsville, Pleasant View Baptist Church in Waynesburg and First Baptist Church of Middlesboro.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Green-Taylor Water District expects to file an application with the Public Service Commission on or about July 31, 2026, seeking approval of a proposed adjustment to its rates for water service. The proposed rates shall not become effective until the Public Service Commission has issued an order approving these rates or six (6) months from the date of the filing of the application, whichever occurs first.

CURRENT AND PROPOSED RATES GREEN-TAYLOR WATER DISTRICT							
		Current	Proposed	Difference	% Increase		
5/8 Inch Meter							
First	2,000 gallons	\$24.05 per month	\$24.78 per month	\$0.73	3.04%		
Next	3,000 gallons	\$0.01018 per gallon	\$0.01049 per gallon	\$0.00031	3.05%		
Next	5,000 gallons	\$0.00832 per gallon	\$0.00857 per gallon	\$0.00025	3.00%		
Over	10,000 gallons	\$0.00563 per gallon	\$0.00580 per gallon	\$0.00017	3.02%		
3/4 Inch Meter							
First	3,000 gallons	\$34.23 per month	\$35.27 per month	\$1.04	3.04%		
Next	2,000 gallons	\$0.01018 per gallon	\$0.01049 per gallon	\$0.00031	3.05%		
Next	5,000 gallons	\$0.00832 per gallon	\$0.00857 per gallon	\$0.00025	3.00%		
Over	10,000 gallons	\$0.00563 per gallon	\$0.00580 per gallon	\$0.00017	3.02%		
1 Inch Meter							
First	5,000 gallons	\$54.59 per month	\$56.25 per month	\$1.66	3.04%		
Next	5,000 gallons	\$0.00832 per gallon	\$0.00857 per gallon	\$0.00025	3.00%		
Over	10,000 gallons	\$0.00563 per gallon	\$0.00580 per gallon	\$0.00017	3.02%		
1 1/2 Inch Meter							
First	10,000 gallons	\$96.19 per month	\$99.12 per month	\$2.93	3.05%		
Over	10,000 gallons	\$0.00563 per gallon	\$0.00580 per gallon	\$0.00017	3.02%		
2 Inch Meter							
First	20,000 gallons	\$152.49 per month	\$157.13 per month	\$4.64	3.04%		
Over	20,000 gallons	\$0.00563 per gallon	\$0.00580 per gallon	\$0.00017	3.02%		
Leak Adjustment Rate							
		\$0.00272 per gallon	\$0.00280 per gallon	\$0.00008	3.04%		
Wholesale							
Larue County Water District #1		\$0.00361 per gallon	\$0.00372 per gallon	\$0.00011	3.04%		
City of Greensburg		\$0.00322 per gallon	\$0.00332 per gallon	\$0.00010	3.04%		
Monthly Water Loss Reduction Surcharge		\$0.00 Per customer	\$2.76 Per customer	\$2.76	100%		

(New charge for all customers for forty-eights months)

If the Public Service Commission approves the proposed water rates, then the effect on the average monthly bill for each customer class is set out in the table below.

Gallons per Month	Meter Size	Existing Bill	Proposed Bill	Change	% Increase	Proposed WLRS	Proposed Bill+WLRS	Change	% Increase
4,000	5/8"	\$44.41	\$45.76	\$1.35	3.04%	\$2.76	\$48.52	\$4.11	9.3%
6,000	3/4"	\$62.91	\$64.82	\$1.91	3.04%	\$2.76	\$67.58	\$4.67	7.4%
15,000	1"	\$124.34	\$128.10	\$3.76	3.02%	\$2.76	\$130.86	\$6.52	5.2%
30,000	1 1/2"	\$208.79	\$215.12	\$6.33	3.03%	\$2.76	\$217.88	\$9.09	4.4%
60,000	2"	\$377.69	\$389.13	\$11.44	3.03%	\$2.76	\$391.89	\$14.20	3.8%
Larue County WD #1		\$1,125.06	\$1,159.28	\$34.22	3.04%	\$2.76	\$1,162.04	\$36.98	3.2%
City of Greensburg		\$1,910.53	\$1,968.64	\$58.11	3.04%	\$2.76	\$1,971.40	\$60.87	3.3%

The Application may be examined at the utility's office located at 250 Industrial Park Road, Greensburg, Ky; 42743 telephone (270) 932-4947.

The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by the utility. However, the PSC may order rates to be charged that differ from the proposed rates contained in this notice.

A person may examine this application at the Public Service Commission offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm or through the PSC website at <http://psc.ky.gov>. Comments regarding the application may be submitted to the PSC through its website or by mail to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, KY 40602. You may contact the Public Service Commission at (502) 564-3940.

A person may submit a timely written request for intervention to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, KY 40602, establishing the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party. If the Public Service Commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of the initial publication of this notice, the Public Service Commission may take final action on the application.