Enrollment tops 10K, sets record

Total enrollment has topped 10,000 students for the first time in the institution’s history, a milestone reached in large part because of an increase of five percentage points in the freshman retention rate to nearly 79 percent. … (CONTINUE READING | STORY FEATURES SLIDESHOW AND VIDEO)

Lofquist announces ‘provost fellows’

Four faculty members will assume the title of “provost fellow” for the 2013-14 academic year, part of an effort to help fill an administrative void in the Office of the Provost while also providing leadership experience opportunities for participants. … (CONTINUE READING)

Governor appoints three new trustees

A Rutherford County educational foundation executive, the first woman elected principal chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, and a Highlands homebuilder are the three newest members of the Western Carolina University Board of Trustees. … (CONTINUE READING)
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