Human Resources Advisor - March 2021

Alex's Advice

Talent Management review season is upon us, did you know there is a Talent Management Portal? You can access the portal through CSP Connect, under the section titled Details of Employment, then select Talent Management Portal.

The Talent Management Portal will serve all university employees in meeting the requirements of the Human Resources annual Talent Management Review Process as well as supporting faculty with professional development such as Advancement in Rank, Tenure, etc.

Faculty are encouraged to upload evidence and store documents to assist with the advancement in rank. Staff are encouraged to use the portal as a career development and planning tool.

Information regarding Talent Management Reviews:
Each department leader is required to meet individually with the members of their team to review the past year’s accomplishments and set strategic goals for the coming year. This process is our greatest opportunity to lift up the value of our employees’ talents while also identifying areas for development and growth.

As an employee, you can expect the following:

- An opportunity to conduct a self-evaluation of your progress for the year
- A focused meeting time where feedback is provided and goals for your position are set
- Discussion regarding your personal goals and how your department leader may best support you toward reaching them
- Collaboration with your department leader to establish your personal business plan for building the skills, knowledge, and experience needed to maximize contributions to your department, to achieve your personal goals, and to support our students toward success

A few things to keep in mind to ensure this is a productive and beneficial experience:

1. Be prepared: spend time in thoughtful consideration of your contributions and areas for development.
2. Be open: remember that feedback is integral to growth and receive it with an open mind.
3. Be realistic: while there is a five-point rating scale, department leaders and employees are encouraged to remember that a rating of “3” is indicative of solid performance.
4. Be reflective: review your talent management review from last year and determine how you performed in the areas for development and the goals established for you.
5. Be collaborative. The review meeting should be collaborative in nature, allowing both you and your department leader to celebrate your successes and plan for growth. While rankings are helpful, the narrative portion of the review tends to be the most impactful for future success.

Please keep in mind that Talent Management Reviews are due to Human Resources no later than Friday, June 18th. We have a completion goal of 100% this year.

**National Student Employment Week**

Celebrate National Student Employment week April 12th-April 18th!
The National Student Employment Association invites CSP as well as colleges and universities across the country to recognize the importance of student employees.

“Student employees perform invaluable services with enthusiasm, dedication, and initiative. Setting aside a special week to draw the awareness of others, both on and off campus, is the perfect opportunity to show your appreciation.”

Celebration ideas for little to no cost:

- Treat your students to lunch or bring in a treat for students to enjoy.
- Good Egg Award - buy plastic Easter Eggs, fill with goodies, and give out with “Good Egg” certificates. List what the student did to deserve this award.
- Handwritten thank you note or card.
- Decorate an office bulletin board or the office door in recognition of your students.

In addition, please be aware of the resources provided on the CSP Student Employment website. The website newly includes voluntary training for any student at CSP. The training offered include: face-to-face communication, customer service, budget management, and time management.

### Key Dates: Breaks, Graduation, Last Day of Class

Spring Break – March 1-7  
Easter Break – March 31 to April 5  
Last Day of Classes – April 30  
Graduation Ceremonies – April 30 & May 1

### Service Anniversaries

The university is honored to celebrate the anniversaries of 25 faculty and staff members and their service to Concordia University, St. Paul and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. We hope to uplift these recipients with an in-person event in the fall. In the meantime, let’s celebrate their talents and gifts in thought and word. Please join us in recognizing our colleagues and their service anniversaries.

Joel Schuessler – 35 Years  
Lacey Wellens – 35 Years  
Richard Benson – 25 Years  
Lonn Maly – 25 Years
Basma Ibrahim DeVries – 25 Years  
Rhonda Palmersheim – 20 Years  
Lee Pao Xiong – 20 Years  
Hanou Yang – 20 Years  
Robert Krueger – 20 Years  
Elizabeth Coleman – 20 Years  
Kevin Hall – 15 Years  
George Padjen – 15 Years  
Joshua Deer – 15 Years  
Renata Mayrhofer – 15 Years  
Kelly Sadlovsky – 15 Years  
Miriam Dekarski – 15 Years  
Jeanie Peck – 10 Years  
Craig Stern – 10 Years  
Steve Bellis – 10 Years  
Kevin Strunk – 10 Years  
Barbara Wissink – 10 Years  
Mong-Lin Yang – 10 Years  
Mary Bull – 10 Years  
Brianna Just – 10 Years  
Staci Poole – 10 Years

Wellness

For members in a Concordia Health Plan option administered by Blue Cross Blue Shield, 100% coverage for COVID-19 testing and treatment as well as for all telehealth services will be extended until 6/30/21.

Also, based on Blue Cross’ recommendation, treatment for members who have an adverse reaction to the COVID-19 vaccine will be covered at 100%. There are no diagnosis or procedure codes to identify this, so it will only be handled when brought to Blue Cross’ attention by the provider or member.

National Nutrition Month

March is National Nutrition Month. Let’s test your nutrition knowledge with a fun and challenging crossword puzzle! Complete the crossword puzzle for a chance to win a prize. Return the crossword puzzle to Alex Miller at amiller1@csp.edu by 12:00pm on Thursday, April 1st. (All answers must be correct to be entered into the drawing and received by the deadline of 12:00pm on 04/01/21).
Office Hours

HR Hours of Operation
8:30 a.m – 4:30 p.m.
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