State System News Highlights

Good morning. Here are the State System News Highlights for April 4, 2018. This weekly summary of news articles related to the State System is distributed each Wednesday. To view the individual articles, click on the headline. You also may view past articles and real-time news highlights from Twitter at www.passhe.edu/news.

(Special Note: Registration is open for the 2018 Spring PACT Annual Conference that will be held April 12-13, 2018, at the Hilton Harrisburg Hotel. The Conference Planning Committee has been hard at work finalizing the agenda, which promises to be full of informative and engaging sessions to support the System's key strategic initiatives: Ensuring Student Success; Leveraging University Strengths; and Transforming the Governance / Leadership Structure. A complete agenda and other conference details are posted on the PACT website. To go to the site, click here.)

Grant makes Clarion opioid certificate more attainable for workers/trainees
Wednesday, March 28, 2018
Clarion University has been awarded a $50,000 grant from Appalachian Regional Commission for its Opioid Treatment Specialist Certificate Tuition Assistance Project. The project total of $100,000 includes a $30,000 match by Clarion University and a $20,000 match by Northwest Pennsylvania AIDS Alliance, which will additionally provide instructional training and support.
By Elaine Haskins, The (DuBois) Courier Express

Edinboro University enhances nursing education program with high-tech opioid treatment course
Wednesday, March 28, 2018
Last year proved to be the deadliest ever for drug overdoses in Erie County. Data shows much of that was spearheaded by the opioid epidemic. Now, Edinboro University is arming its medical students with the knowledge to help combat the crisis.
Erie News Now

Pennsylvania: Cal U Gets U.S. Department of Education Grant for Students' Child Care
Friday, March 30, 2018
California University of Pennsylvania received a four-year grant from the U.S. Department of Education to help low-income students with child care.
National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators

Mansfield signs agreements with 3 Chinese universities
Monday, April 2, 2018
Mansfield University Interim President Scott Barton recently signed new dual degree partnership agreements with three major universities in China — Huaqiao University, Shandong University and Southwest Petroleum University.
The (Williamsport) Sun-Gazette

Farewell, Dr. Fiorentino: LHU president reflects on time as university leader
Thursday, March 29, 2018
The Lock Haven University community will say farewell to its 14th president, Dr. Michael Fiorentino Jr., tomorrow, March 30, as he spends his last day on campus as university leader and transitions into retirement. Fiorentino has led the university since July 1, 2011.
The (Lock Haven) Express