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**Subject:** Welcome to Nexus new LMC Faculty!

Hello Melissa, Shane, Nila, Brittney, Jessica, Anthony, Max, Marie, Leila, Tanya and Katie,

**Welcome to your first year as a full-time faculty member at Los Medanos College!**

My name is Jennifer Saito and I've been a professor at LMC for 29 years, which has gone by in a flash. I'll be leading your "Nexus" experience which is two semester orientation program all full-time faculty participate in during their first year.

The goal of Nexus is to give you support and camaraderie as you learn the ins and outs of LMC. You'll become familiar with its history, culture, policies, personnel, and community. You'll also start career-long friendships with your Nexus classmates. I hope every meeting will be both fun and educational and I have lots of special guests, field trips and group bonding experiences planned.

Here are a few important dates to note in your schedules:

- **Our Nexus "kick off" event will be on the Pittsburg campus during Flex Week on Monday, August 14, from 1:30-5pm.** Meet me in the Student Union on the second floor in the large conference room (SU-231). There will be yummy snacks and a light dinner as well. [CLICK HERE](#) to RSVP and let me know about any food restrictions or preferences.
- **Our regular meetings will begin on Monday, August 28 from 3-5pm, and will be held every other week**, give or take, since a few holidays fall on Mondays. I'll have the complete schedule for you shortly. (I know a few of you will need to arrive late or leave early, based on your teaching schedules; we'll make it work.)

Typically, our meetings will be at one of the LMC campuses or at a nearby location on field trip days. Please block this time in your schedule. We will provide a delicious dinner each week for an added treat.

I am super excited to meet you in a few weeks and I will be in touch as we get closer with more details. Again, don't forget to fill out [THIS SURVEY](#) so I can have food and beverages you like at our meetings. Your doing so will also let me know you got this email.

-Jennifer