

### LI Visits Hutch



Seven leadership students traveled to the Hutchison Correctional Facility for a Leadership Lab on March 4.

Hannah Hagedorn, Jessica Knieff, Jennifer Lieurance, Abby Price, Maci Hagelgantz, Kelsie O'Mara, along with Leadership Lab Team Leader Caroline Clark and Associate Director Lauren Edelman were greeted by the warden upon arrival and then began to tour the facility. This year, the group spent the majority of their visit at the East unit, though the facility also operates a Central and South unit with varying levels of security.

Participants were given the opportunity to tour the factories that provided employment for the inmates, hear from an inmate that is involved in the K-9 program that allows inmates to train rescue dogs for adoption, and listen to a panel of inmates. The inmates provided insight about the programs that were helping them to see the errors in their ways and how they have grown and changed since being incarcerated.

During lunch they learned more about leadership within HCF administration and staff as they ate with administrators who talked about the pros and cons of the job and nature of the work. One of the biggest takeaways for the students was the fact that the faculty noted how much of a team they had become and how they started to take care of each other like family. The Leadership Institute is thankful for partners like Warden Sam Cline for helping students be exposed to a variety of leadership styles in a real-world setting.

### Next Stop: LCE™ 2016



Students, faculty, and community volunteers have been working hard to prepare for the upcoming Leadership Challenge Event™.

Although students have been preparing for the event all year long, the month of March got the rest of the volunteers into LCE™ mode as they signed up for volunteer training sessions. At these sessions, they heard from a variety of different students and learned a little bit of what to expect at the event. They also learned what was expected of them the day of, and what their job duties will be.

This event is truly a life-changing opportunity for not only the students who travel from across the country to participate, but also to everybody involved in making this event happen.

We can't wait to see you on March 31-April 1 at Leadership Challenge Event™ 2016!

## LCE Photo Challenge!

#LCEPhotoChallenge  
#LCE2016 #WULead

- Day 1 (March 24<sup>th</sup>)** – Photo of your spirit animal
- Day 2 (March 25<sup>th</sup>)** – Photo from your fav LCE™ or your greatest leadership challenge
- Day 3 (March 26<sup>th</sup>)** – Photo of your fav local leader (school, work, family, role model)
- Day 4 (March 27<sup>th</sup>)** – Photo of your fav world leader
- Day 5 (March 28<sup>th</sup>)** – Photo from your greatest leadership achievement
- Day 6 (March 29<sup>th</sup>)** – Selfie
- Day 7 (March 30<sup>th</sup>)** – Photo of your 2016 LCE™ team
- Day 8 (March 31<sup>st</sup>)** – Photo of you preparing for LCE™ 2016

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We will feature randomly selected photos through publicity at the LCE™. Accounts must be public to participate :)

## LCE™ 2016 Countdown 7 Days!!!

**Don't forget to fill out applications for the Student Leadership Council. Applications are due on March 28!**

### Leaders Take a Break for Night of Fun



Over 20 leadership students took time out of their busy schedules to relax, play some games, and jump around at the Trampolazerockball Park social on March 22.

When students arrived they were greeted by Socials Team Leader Cassidy Forshey who organized the event. They were led to a buffet of pizza and the opportunity to socialize with their peers.

Students then got the chance to participate in some recreation. They spent their time between trampolines, a zip line, a rock wall, and a laser tag course.

All in all, it was a great chance for our students to relax, have some fun, and get to know one another a little bit better.

### WU MonthLI Updates:

- March 31-April 1: Leadership Challenge Event™
- April 8: Pals in the Community Social—3:30 p.m.
- April 19: Spring Banquet—6:30 p.m. at Gage Shelter House

### Student of the Month

#### Abby Price

*Year:* Freshman



*Major:* Sociology

*Favorite Thing about the Institute:* I love all of the amazing opportunities we are given, as well as the LE courses, and all of the relationships I have made as a member.”

### A Word From Abe

It is very important to be confident in your abilities and to be aware of your strengths, however, make sure that your confidence does not turn into arrogance and turns off those around you. Remember:

“Don't get on your high horse if you can't stand the smell.”