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Higher Education Quote of the Week:

"This decision puts the NCAA's ability to maintain its traditional model of college sports on life support." - *Matthew Mitten, law professor at Marquette University and Director of National Sports Law Institute.*



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Dear Johnette,

Lafayette community leaders met last week to begin serious discussions about opening a branch of LSU Medical school in Lafayette. Included in the meeting was Dr. Larry Hollier, the Chancellor of LSUHSC in New Orleans.

The preliminary plan would reduce the number of required years for medical school from four to three, with 40 students enrolled. The students would then enter a primary care residency. The school could be up and running by 2017.

Dr. Hollier was insistent in the meeting that a new school would have to be largely funded on the local level. "The obvious issue is how do you fund it. We do not believe this is something that could be funded through state general funds. It would have to be a regional funding source to get this done," he said. ***[For more on the Lafayette Medical School plan click here.](#)***

Shreveport-Bossier Higher Education News

- The website Greatvaluecolleges.net has named Monroe among the "50 Great Affordable College Towns in the U.S." Monroe was ranked at #33 and was the only college town in Louisiana to make the list. ***[Monroe News-Star, 08.07.14](#)***

Louisiana Higher Education News

- The group responsible for dividing up the \$40 million WISE fund, has yet to reach agreement on what criteria to use to dole out the money. The money was put aside by the legislature this year to give to colleges to spur workforce development. ***[The Advocate, 08.07.14](#)***

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- LSU in Alexandria welcomed 200 high school students to campus last week with the opening of the private University Academy of Central Louisiana. Based on the LSUA campus, the school will allow students to earn up to 60 college credit hours, while in high school, through a partnership with the University. ***Lafayette Advertiser, 08.07.14***

National Higher Education News

- A federal judge has ruled NCAA rules prohibiting college athletes from trading on their likeness is a violation of antitrust laws. But, the judge also said schools could place a cap on the amount to ensure college sports did not become overly professionalized. ***Chronicle of Higher Education, 08.09.14***

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Sincerely,

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