

# Letter: LTCC apologizes for press release

To the community,

As the director of College Advancement and Community Engagement for Lake Tahoe Community College, I would like to apologize for the poorly written press release, Insight Into Russian Language, Culture and Politics that I released Sept. 3.

I gave the false impression that LTCC instructor Maria Mircheva would be discussing "homosexual behavior" in her Russian I Conversational class. That was totally incorrect.

Since politics is a topic of conversation for the class, I was implying that the class might have a conversation on the new Russian law that recently passed.

TheGlobalEdition.com wrote, "A High Court in Moscow confirmed [Aug. 22] the decision of the city's authorities to ban the existence of gays in the Russian capital for the next hundred years".

Russian 141 focuses on vocabulary, idiomatic expressions and Russian customs. To imply "homosexual behavior" would be a topic of discussion was purely wrong and inappropriate and I apologize to anyone who may have been offended by the misstatement.

Sincerely,

**Peter Bostic, public affairs officer Lake Tahoe Community College**