

25Live Event Management System Schedules Lighting, Too



Inside

Lane Community College

Eugene, Oregon

Products:

25Live® Web-based Scheduling

Why 25Live?

“Since we were already using 25Live for event and space scheduling, it made sense to build lighting scheduling into the same system. The new interface didn’t involve extensive setup or any equipment expense.” – Alen Bahret, IT Programmer/Analyst

The Savings:

Scheduling time, energy and equipment costs. “By building lighting scheduling into 25Live, we’ve eliminated double entry scheduling and increased our energy efficiency without having to purchase new equipment.” – Alen Bahret



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Business Profile

Lane Community College was founded in 1964 as the successor to the Eugene Technical-Vocational School, which had served the community since 1938. With several locations including its main campus in Eugene, Oregon, centers in Cottage Grove and Florence, and centers in Downtown Eugene and at the Eugene Airport, Lane offers a broad range of instructional opportunities including transfer credit programs, career and technical degree and certificate programs, continuing education courses, programs in English as a Second Language and International ESL, GED programs, and customized training for local

businesses. Lane has the third largest enrollment among all 17 Oregon community colleges, providing credit and noncredit classes to more than 38,000 students each year. Online education also is offered. Lane is a member of the League for Innovation in the Community College, and has received numerous awards and accolades for its innovative programs and high quality instruction.

The Challenge

In November 2008, voters in the Lane Community College district approved a bond to renovate, upgrade and remodel workforce training and education facilities, college wide. Bond projects included improvements to athletic facilities including a new soccer field, new turf in the track and field area, and installation of eight new field light stands. The school contracted with Musco Lighting in Iowa, which provides lighting systems for stadiums and athletic fields as well as remote scheduling of automated lighting. With all the advantages the new field lighting brought to the college, it also presented a new challenge: how to manage lighting schedules for the numerous athletic department events as well as community groups and high school teams planning to use the campus facilities. Event planners now had to do double-booking, reserving space through the school’s 25Live scheduling application and then coordinating lighting schedules with Musco.

The Solution

IT Systems Director Alen Bahret wondered if there was a way to combine event and lighting scheduling into one process: “Since we have

to schedule space in 25Live, why not add a field for lighting into the system?” Alen worked with Musco Lighting to create an interface that would allow lighting to be scheduled directly through 25Live. The updated system now includes a choice of three lighting resources (soccer field, track infield and whole track) plus three lighting time options (sunset, sunrise or actual event time). Event schedulers can book all their facilities and lighting needs together. Lighting schedules entered into 25Live are automatically sent to the Musco interface every hour. Coaches and 25Live schedulers can view event details and see whether lighting has been included.

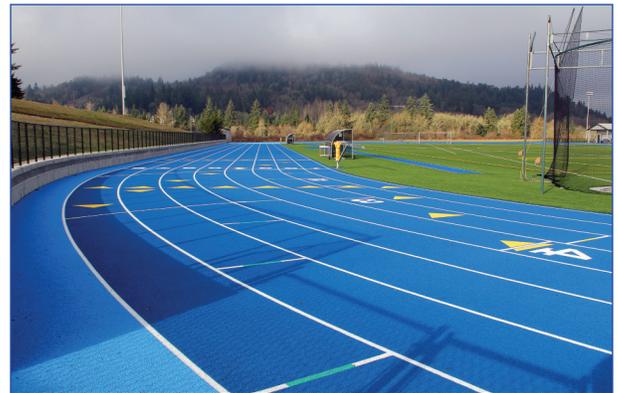
The Benefits

- Time and money savings: Making space and lighting scheduling a one-step process saves scheduling time and electricity
- Easy integration: “We didn’t have to do any special modifications to 25live. Once we set up our accounts and interface with Musco, I simply pull data and create an extract based on what I see in the database.” -- Alen Bahret
- Added revenue: In addition to athletic department events, the school hosts games and events for several soccer clubs, high schools and community groups that pay for field time and lighting.
- Accessibility: Coaches and event schedulers can view space and event details, and see whether lighting has been scheduled, all in 25Live – no Musco login needed.

- Safety: An integrated light shutdown process transitions from full to minimal field lighting over a period of 15 minutes for safe egress of participants, coaches and spectators before the fields go dark.

More to come

Inspired by its scheduled lighting accomplishment, Lane is now planning to use 25Live for space rental



pricing and invoicing, as well as for automating campus heating and cooling. The school is also working with Hawkeye technology to create a keyless entry interface with 25Live.

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