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Wildcats for Higher Education - Oct. 19, 2016

Your vote makes a difference

We are nearly three weeks away from the Nov. 8 general election and want to remind all advocates in Wildcats for Higher Education how important your vote is for supporting education in the state of Kansas.

When you go to the polls, please make higher education a priority when selecting the candidates you vote into office.

As you know from reading prior WHE newsletters, the state's budget issues have had a serious and negative impact on higher education for the past several years. The cuts in state funding to all Kansas Board of Regents universities, including K-State, have jeopardized critical services, driven up tuition costs, and made it more difficult for students to attend college in Kansas.

A well-educated population is critical for economic growth and prosperity for the citizens of Kansas. With the \$7.3 billion impact the state's universities have on the Kansas economy each year, the state Legislature simply cannot afford to continue with its erratic and reduced funding of higher education.

With every seat in the Kansas Legislature up for election, it's time to reverse that trend and use your vote to have an impact on the next legislative session.

In the weeks ahead, as candidates are out campaigning, let them know you are concerned about education and ask what they will do to restore fair and stable funding for higher education in Kansas. Then be sure to vote for the candidates who have committed to support education.

If you need information on advance voting, polling locations, etc., please visit www.kssos.org.

Your loyalty and continued support in advocating for higher education and K-State is greatly appreciated. Please be sure to exercise your right to vote in this election. It does make a difference.

Go 'Cats!

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K-State alumni and friends are encouraged to ask their state legislators to support higher education. Please visit the K-State Alumni Association's [Wildcats for Higher Education](#) web page for more information on the messages and facts to support higher education.

If you know of other K-State alumni and friends who would like to receive Wildcats for Higher Education updates, please forward this message.

If this message was forwarded to you and you would like to receive Wildcats for Higher Education updates, please [sign up here](#).

The Kansas State University Office of Government Relations also provides weekly updates on legislative issues important to K-State and higher education. [View updates](#) when the Legislature is in session.

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