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Wildcats for Higher Education - Feb. 24, 2017

Please ask your legislators to support higher education

It has been a busy and challenging week in the Kansas Legislature as the House and Senate continue to debate state budget issues that will have an impact on higher education and other state funded programs and services.

Also, this week, Kansas State University President Richard Myers presented testimony to the Senate Higher Education Subcommittee on the governor's budget recommendations for fiscal years 2018 and 2019. Read his testimony [here \(pdf\)](#).

Similar to testimony provided to the House Higher Education Committee on Feb. 13, President Myers outlined the significant economic impact the university has on the state and provided data on the damaging effects of continued budget cuts on higher education. Please [read the document \(pdf\)](#) for more detailed information on K-State's impact across the state and the effect budget cuts have had on the university.

Here is where you can help. The Kansas Legislature will be on break Feb. 24–March 6. Now is a good time to contact your legislators, while they are at home in their districts, to ask for their support in prioritizing and protecting higher education as they address issues throughout the remainder of this legislative session. Contact information for state legislators [can be found here](#).

Our request is to provide stable and fair funding for higher education, Kansas State University, K-State Research and Extension, and Kansas State Veterinary Medicine. We are also asking for restoration of 2017 allotments: \$5,219,623 for Kansas State University; \$1,348,010 for K-State Research and Extension; and \$509,103 for K-State Veterinary Medicine.

For additional information on legislative bills impacting higher education and Kansas State University, please visit the [Governmental Relations website](#).

With more than 85,000 K-State alumni living in the state of Kansas, our voice makes a difference. Please contact your legislators today.

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,

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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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