



Student Government Association

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Classes missed (no. and title) Professor's name  
State + Local govt. Dr. Joel Turner

After a very exciting, energizing and educational experience at the Capitol Building of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, you are beginning to wrap your head around the inner workings of our state government and how it functions.

1. How do you feel that you impacted this state crisis? What difference did you participating in this rally make?
2. What was the most memorable/important part of the experience you had as a participant in this rally?
3. How/where have you acquired the knowledge and skills that are most important for you, as students, to be able to influence the workings of government and the influence the decisions made?
4. What suggestions do you have (for the university and its faculty) that will better prepare you to be effective participants in shaping and influencing political decisions?
5. What could have been done to make your day more effective or productive?

\*Each participant will be expected to complete this 'reflections' paper. A copy of it should be given to the SGA Vice President before leaving the bus when you return to campus. A copy of your paper will also be provided to each faculty member whose class you missed to participate in the rally.\*

I think that western Kentucky greatly and positively impacted today's Rally for higher education in Frankfort. I think that we did a great job of letting Gov. Beshear understand that Kentucky students care very much about the state funding that may be taken away. The most memorable part of my experience is that I was able to stand inches away from the governor during his speech to take pictures. I was really excited because for the first time in my photjournalistic career that I was able to have this sort of experience and I was excited to know that my position was better than any of the professional photogs there. I have learned how to influence the workings of govt. by

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I think that the Western Administration should start a required class to be taken one semester on ~~current~~ current events. I think this would help to make the campus more aware of events and polices affecting us.

I think that if transportation had been better organized the day would have been more successful. I also think more awareness and more publicity would have brought more students and would have made an even greater impact.