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**Legislative Priorities
2006 General Assembly**

**Base Operating Budget Increase as Recommended by CPE
Funding Model for the Biennium - \$13,723,400**

**Recurring Operating Support for Kentucky Academy of Math
and Science - 2006-07 - \$500,000
2007-08 - \$2,800,000**

College of Education Replacement Building - \$35,000,000

**Phase III Science Complex Renovation of Science &
Technology Hall - \$7,000,000**

**Gordon Ford College of Business Replacement Building
Planning & Design, Property Acquisition - \$5,800,000**

**Phase II Construction of Institute for Combustion Science &
Environmental Technology (ICSET)/Materials
Characterization Center (MCC) - \$4,500,000**

**Phase II Owensboro Community College Advanced
Technology Center - \$12,536,000**

Additional Agency Bonding Projects - Total \$63,500,000

- Phase II Academic Athletic #2/L.T. Smith Stadium - \$25,500,000
- Van Meter Hall Renovation - \$16,000,000
- Ivan Wilson Fine Arts Center Renovation - \$8,000,000
- Preston Health & Activities Center Expansion - \$10,000,000
- North Campus Parking Improvements - \$4,000,000

Progress since Passage of House Bill 1

- 25.3% growth in enrollment since 1998 – Total Fall 2005 Enrollment 18,645
- Funding for Sponsored Research and Public Service increased from \$15 million in 1998 to \$27.8 million in 2005
- School of Journalism & Broadcasting ranked #1 in the nation, 2001, 2002, and 2005
- Electrical, Civil, and Mechanical Engineering programs received full, unqualified accreditation in 2005
- Total endowment \$75.3 million – up from \$24.9 million in 1998

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