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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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