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VOTES TO FREEZE TUITION







Students and parents can breathe a little easier this fall because the 16 colleges of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) will not be raising tuition.

At \$179 per credit hour, KCTCS colleges already have the lowest tuition in the state, which saves families thousands of dollars. Out-of-state students from counties contiguous to Kentucky will continue to pay \$358 per credit hour. All other out-of-state students will continue to pay \$627 per credit hour.

"The pandemic has taken a toll on our students who've been affected in numerous ways, including job loss," KCTCS Board Chair Gail Henson said. "The board wanted to help students, and we felt keeping our tuition at the same rate would help thousands of families."

Many prospective students decided not to attend college during the pandemic and the 16 colleges welcome them to campus along with our current students. For students who prefer online learning or hybrid classes, those will be available as well.



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"Kentucky is recovering fast from the pandemic, but we can't forget the lessons learned from the past year," Aaron Thompson, president of the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education, said. "Even with our rally, many students still face extreme financial hardships that could derail their education. That's why I want to thank KCTCS for holding the line on tuition. Their leadership and commitment to affordability helps ensure that we don't leave anyone behind."

Whether students are seeking an associate degree or a short-term credential that can be earned in a few weeks, KCTCS offers a wide variety of programs. Employers also are encouraged to learn about affordable customized training programs for incumbent employees. These are offered through the Workforce Solutions team.

For more information on the tuition freeze, visit https://kctcs.edu/affording-college/tuition-freeze/index.html



ACHIEVEMENTS OF KCTCS & ITS STUDENTS

KCTCS recently released a new video that provides an overview of the system, some of its points of pride and the accomplishments of grads. In this three-minute video, viewers will learn why KCTCS is so important to Kentucky and its economy.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SDEyW8GQyBI

