

March 26, 2024

The Honorable Jerry Cirino
Ohio State Senator
1 Capitol Square
Ground Floor, 034
Columbus, OH 43215

Senator Cirino:

Please find the attached materials requested in advance of the upcoming Senate Workforce and Higher Education Committee meeting. We appreciate the opportunity to highlight our role as a workforce development center serving the Dayton region.

As you know, Wright State has been laser focused on restructuring its' operations to meet the changing landscape of higher education. This effort has been critical to our overall success and positioned the University with resources for strategic investments. Today, Wright State University's balance sheet is strong, highlighted by numerous credit rating upgrades and an A3 positive outlook from Moody's. In addition, Wright State secured a Senate Bill 6 score of 5 this year, the highest achievable score.

As the Dayton region's workforce development center, the University has executed numerous partnerships with employers throughout the community. Of special note, our strategic partnerships with Wright-Patterson Air Force Base and Premier Health, the largest employers in the region, will both transform the region and provide enhanced opportunities for our students.

In closing, let me again thank you for your interest in higher education, and more specifically, Wright State University. We look forward to addressing your committee in the coming weeks and sharing more about the innovative approach Wright State is taking. If you or your staff need any additional information, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Dr. Susan Edwards, Ph.D.

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President

Wright State University