

State universities in Kansas seek tuition hikes

Wire report

Administrators of public universities in the Kansas Board of Regents system proposed student tuition increases for undergraduate resident students in the upcoming academic year ranging from 2.5% at Pittsburg State University to 4% at Fort Hays State University.

The outlier was Emporia State University, which responded to steady enrollment declines by requesting no increase in tuition for the second consecutive year.

To varying degrees, the six Board of Regents universities in Kansas grapple with a decline in the college-age population, an ongoing crash in international student enrollment, flat state appropriations, instability in federal research spending as well as inflation in operational costs, pressure to raise employee compensation and demands for substantive direct support of college athletics.

The nine-member Board of Regents has authority over tuition adjustments, but typically recommendations from campus leadership have been adopted.

Here are tuition rate increases proposed by university officials for in-state undergraduate students in the 2025-2026 academic year: University of Kansas, 3%; Kansas State University and Wichita State University, 3.5%; Pittsburg State University, 2.5%; and Fort Hays State University, 4%.

On Wednesday, FHSU President Tisa Mason said during a presentation to the Board of Regents the 4% hike at FHSU would balance financial responsibilities of the university with the capacity of students to afford college.

“We believe that the proposed tuition increase is essential for maintaining our high quality education and our student support services,” she said.

Board member Jon Rolph of Wichita asked whether Mason should consider a more aggressive tuition increase. FHSU historically maintained the state system’s lowest tuition rate due to revenue received from offering instruction to students in China, but the university found it necessary to raise undergraduate tuition by 7% in 2024 and 6% in 2025.

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1 “— seriously, folks ...”

4 Rod for roasting

8 “Frozen” sister

12 Former French coin

13 Whittle

14 Alliance acronym

15 Slippery —

16 Actor — Gosling

17 — the Terrible

18 Artist — Picasso

20 Hire

22 “Skip to My —”

23 Single thing

24 Reached the summit

27 Belly button

31 Earring site

32 Enjoy

34 Notable time

35 Flightless bird

36 Floating mass of ice

37 Beam

38 Bet

40 “— ... With Children”

42 Muddle

44 Island in a stream

45 Fruity dessert

48 “Lost in —”

51 Seed appendage

52 “Right now!”

55 Swamp

56 Turnstile

57 Hudson or Winslet

58 Like a bump on a —

59 Sch. type

60 Watched

61 Isle of —

DOWN

1 Traffic sound

2 USC rival

3 Dung beetle

4 Start growing

5 Remuneration

6 Writer — Levin

7 Doctrine

8 Mystery

9 Etna’s output

10 Male deer

11 Tops (Hyph.)

19 Forfeit

21 Hawaiian goose

23 Figures of speech

24 Ball of yarn

25 Italia’s capital

26 Annex

28 Genuine

29 Cleveland’s Great Lake

30 Hit the tarmac

33 New Zealand bird

36 Liberate

37 Hold tightly

39 Corporate symbol

41 Spoke hoarsely

43 Post

45 Wise

46 Of the mouth

47 — of passage

49 Refrigerate

50 Like a breakfast

53 Recite

54 Took in

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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has been filed in this court by Song A. Terlaje, praying for disbursement of all property, real and personal owned by the decedent at the time of death; and you are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 30th day of May, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. of said day, in said court, in the City of Leavenworth, in Atchison County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said Petition. Song A. Terlaje, Petitioner Submitted By: /s/Benjamin J. Rioux #28318 Attorney For Petitioner Published in the Leavenworth Times, May 3, 10, 17, 2025 3436920

SEQ CHAPTER 1 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LEAVENWORTH COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of Catherine L. Levie, Deceased. No. LV-2025-PR-000087

NOTICE OF HEARING AND TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED: You are hereby notified that on the 9th day of May, 2025, a Petition was filed in this Court by Laura K. Wiley, praying that the Last Will and Testament of Catherine L. Levie dated August 15, 1995 be admitted to probate and that she be appointed as Executrix and granted Letters Testamentary. You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 13 th day of June, 2025, at 8:30 o'clock a.m. of said day, in this Court, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said Petition. All creditors of the above named decedent are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within the latter of four months from the date of the first publication of this notice under K.S.A. 59-2236 and amendments thereto, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited they shall be forever barred. Laura K. Wiley, Petitioner Submitted By: G. Ronald

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Bates, Jr., #12901 529 Delaware, Leavenworth, KS 66048 (913) 682-8882 - P (913) 682-7136 - F ron@grbateslaw.com Attorney for Petitioner Published in the Leavenworth Times, May 17, 24, 31, 2025 3481770

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(Published in the Leavenworth Times on May 17, 2025) RESOLUTION NO. B-2399 A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE NECESSITY TO APPROPRIATE PRIVATE PROPERTY CONNECTED WITH THE 10 TH AVENUE AND LIMIT STREET INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, FOR THE USE OF THE CITY AND AUTHORIZING SURVEYS AND DESCRIPTIONS OF LAND OR INTERESTS TO BE CONDEMNED TO BE PREPARED. WHEREAS, the City of Leavenworth, Kansas, intends to undertake certain street and other public improvements, generally described as Leavenworth HSIP-N075(201) (the intersection of 10 th Avenue and Limit Street), KDOT Project No. N-0752-01, and City Project No. 2022-9 80, as shown on the plan documents therefor (the “ Project”), and in furtherance thereof, the City shall require certain easements and/or rights-of-way; and WHEREAS, pursuant to K.S.A. 26-201, whenever it shall be deemed necessary by the governing body of any city to appropriate private property for the use of the city for any purpose whatsoever, the governing body shall by resolution declare such necessity and authorize a survey and description of the land or interest to be condemned to be made by a licensed land surveyor or a professional engineer who is competent to conduct a land survey and filed with the city clerk. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS: Section 1: That the Governing Body does hereby deem it necessary to appropriate private property for the use of the City for the purposes of rights-of-way, permanent easements, temporary construction easements, and other interests in real property to complete the Project. Section 2: That the Governing Body does hereby authorize a survey and description of the lands or interests to be condemned to be made by a licensed land surveyor or a professional engineer who is competent to conduct land surveys, the same to be filed with the City Clerk. Section 3: That the City Clerk shall cause this Resolution to be published once in the official city newspaper as provided by K.S.A. 26-201. Section 4: This Resolution shall be effective upon its adoption by the City Commission of the City of Leavenworth, Kansas. PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of Leavenworth, Kansas, this 13th day of May, 2025. Holly Pittman, Mayor {SEAL} ATTEST: Sarah Bodensteiner, CMC, City Clerk. Published in the Leavenworth Times, May 17, 2025 3483470

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In the Matter of the Estate of JUAN C. TERLAJE, Deceased. TITLE TO REAL ESTATE INVOLVED Case No. LV-2024-PR-000056

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