

The WASFAA Executive Council has been working on behalf of students to ensure that appropriations supporting financial aid is improved during this economic downturn. In light of that, the Council would like to encourage institutions to make available to their students the following postcard as a means of thanking our Senators and those who work diligently to support our interests. The names and addresses of the Senators for your state follow.

In addition, the Council extends its thanks to all WASFAA members who took the time to support our recent efforts with regard to the Pell Grant.

The content of the postcard should read as follows:

I am a student attending _____ college/university in the state of _____. I am writing to thank you for your recent support of the Pell Grant increase. I would also like to encourage you to continue supporting legislation and appropriations for student financial aid in postsecondary education.

As you are well aware, education of our citizenry is of utmost importance to our nation. The American public has continually indicated that they consider federal and state support of higher education a top priority. Student financial aid programs are an essential investment in our nation because individuals with a postsecondary degree will pay more federal and state taxes during their lifetimes, vote in higher numbers and participate more actively than others, in their communities.

The support for higher education currently in existence has proved to be extremely important in my life. I would like to thank you and encourage you to continue supporting students by means of voting in favor of legislation and appropriations supporting increases to student financial aid, grants and awards.

Thank you for taking the time to read this message.

(Signature)

The Senators of the 107th Congress are listed below.

There are two representatives for each state in the U.S. Senate. Unlike the House of Representatives where each Congressman represents approximately the same number of people in one Congressional district, Senators represent entire states. Senator's votes are not weighted for population size, thus the votes of any two senators count the same. Please take the time to write, fax or e-mail your respective Senators. You may log on to www.senate.gov to get the direct web site link to your senators.

Alaska:

U.S. Senators: Frank Murkowski and Ted Stevens

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The Honorable Ted Stevens
United States Senate
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Arizona:

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U.S. Senators: Daniel K. Inouye and Daniel K. Akaka

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Idaho:

U.S. Senators: Larry Craig and Mike Crapo

US Senator Larry Craig
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U.S. Senators: Harry Reid and John Ensign

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U.S. Senators: Patty Murray and Maria Cantwell

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