



STUDENT GOVERNMENT
ASSOCIATION

First Reading: 3/26/2026
Second Reading: 4/2/2026
Pass: YES
Fail:
Other:

Bill 17-26-S. Funding for the "Textbooks for Toppers" Reimbursement Program.

- PURPOSE:** For the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University to allocate \$400.00 from the Legislative Discretionary budget for the "Textbooks for Toppers" initiative, providing \$50.00 reimbursements to students for the purchase of required course materials.
- WHEREAS:** Textbook expenses represent a significant financial burden that directly impacts student academic performance and retention, and providing relief aligns with SGA's commitment to student success, and
- WHEREAS:** To ensure the integrity of the program, students will be required to provide valid proof of purchase, such as a physical receipt, a digital confirmation email, or a TopNet "Big Red Backpack" charge screenshot, and
- WHEREAS:** This financial relief will be disbursed as a \$50.00 scholarship applied directly to the student's TopNet account upon submission of a completed application to the SGA office, and
- WHEREAS:** These reimbursement scholarships will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis to the first eight (8) students who are deemed eligible to receive aid through the Scholarship Office and submit a completed application, and
- WHEREAS:** This eligibility requirement ensures that the scholarship is awarded in compliance with financial aid regulations, specifically for students who have not yet reached their maximum aid threshold, and
- THEREFORE:** Be it resolved that the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University will allocate \$400.00 to create eight (8) \$50.00 textbook reimbursement scholarships.
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