

MONDAY MUSINGS

Good afternoon, everyone,

I'm sending this special edition of Monday Musings to provide a brief update on the current budget situation, as it pertains to KU.

As you may have read recently, Gov. Sam Brownback's budget office has recommended an 8 percent funding cut to higher education. The governor will share his recommendations next month, once the 2013 legislative session begins.

Right now, the impact of a cut of this nature isn't completely clear, though it would undoubtedly be significant. I urge you to keep up-to-date on the situation by reading any information coming via email from the Chancellor and the Provost, and know our university administrators are working hard to advocate on KU's behalf.

In the meantime, we will continue efforts here to ensure our organization is best aligned to address our new strategic priorities, and to continue the vital work we do in supporting research, teaching and learning on campus.

I look forward to sharing more information as soon as it becomes available.

I hope that you will take time to relax and refresh over the holiday season so we can continue the exciting work of positioning KU Libraries for the future. Have a happy and safe holiday!

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