

First Reading: 10/16/2025 Second Reading: 10/28/2025

Pass: YES Fail: Other:

Bill 11-25-F. Funding for the "Toppers Talk About It" Mental Health Awareness Week in November 2025

PURPOSE: For the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University to allocate

\$76.89 to purchase chalk and fidget toys for tabling and events during "Toppers Talk

About It" Mental Health Awareness Week,

WHEREAS: The money will come from the Legislative Discretionary Fund, and

WHEREAS: The allocated funds from this bill will be used to purchase chalk and fidget toys to be

given out at the tabling events during the week of November 3rd - 7th, and

WHEREAS: Tabling will take place in front of DSU, Centennial Mall, and other high-traffic areas,

around 10 AM - 2 PM each day, and

WHEREAS: The Student Mental Health and Wellbeing Committee will reach out to campus

departments and local partners to co-host tables, contribute other free items for tabling,

provide handouts, or help lead interactive tabling activities, and

WHEREAS: Monday, November 3rd, will be the "Chalk-the-Walk" for the Mental Health tabling

event, Tuesday, November 4th, will be the "Get Comfy with the Convo" PJ day and tabling event, Wednesday, November 5th, will be the "Take What You Need" Sticky Note Wall tabling event, Thursday, November 6th, will be the "Flipping the Script": Faculty-Student Mental Wellness Panel, and Friday, November 7th, will be the "Self Love and Self Care" tabling event, and with the final day of the "Toppers Talk About It" video

series.

WHEREAS: The "Toppers Talk About It" will help raise awareness, reduce stigma, and create a

supportive campus culture through open dialogue, peer storytelling, and resource

accessibility.

WHEREAS: This week is an important opportunity to highlight campus resources and healthy coping

strategies in an accessible format prior to finals season.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University

will allocate \$76.89 to purchase chalk and fidget toys for tabling and events during

"Toppers Talk About It" Mental Health Awareness Week.

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