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**For Immediate Release**

**GSU Student Campaign Against Higher Ed Budget Cuts Heads to Springfield  
#SaveOurEducation**

With the threat of serious budget cuts to Illinois higher education looming, the Governors State University Student Senate has started a campaign entitled #SaveOurEducation to tell government officials about the university's positive contributions to the state and to voice their opposition to the proposed cuts.

GSU Student Government Association Vice President, Addison Jackson, who created an online petition at Change.org asked, "Is the State of Illinois willing to wager the education, careers, and lives of the citizens of Illinois against a short term solution? If so, which students get cut? What programs do we erase? How many jobs will we lose?"

The petition can be accessed at <http://bit.ly/saveoureducation>. "We would like to get as many signatures as possible, so share the petition with your friends, family, and others who care about the future of higher education in Illinois," Jackson said. The signed petition will go to the Illinois State House and Senate and to Governor Bruce Rauner.

During the campaign, students, their families, and the public are also being encouraged to write letters to state legislators, tweet and post GSU facts to social media sites under the #SaveOurEducation hashtag, and write letters to the editors of local papers in support of GSU and Illinois public higher education.

The culminating event of the #SaveOurEducation campaign will be a GSU student and staff trip to Springfield on April 22 to meet with state legislators.

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