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WVSU to Host Walk-A-Thon for Student Scholarships

Institute, WV – The West Virginia State University community is hitting the pavement to raise funds for student scholarships. The campus is hosting the *Students Matter Most* Walk-A-Thon on Saturday, September 20. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the Wilson University Union on campus.

The five-mile walk will begin at the Wilson Union and travel through Dunbar before returning back to campus' Erickson Alumni Center for a celebratory cookout. Attendees are also encouraged to travel afterwards to UC Stadium in Charleston to watch WVSU's Yellow Jackets football team take on the University of Charleston.

"This event is about the West Virginia State University community of faculty, staff, alumni, and friends coming together to do something for the students," said Carl Lee, Director of Advancement for the University.

An initiative started by President Hazo W. Carter, Jr., the Walk-A-Thon's goal is to raise money that will assist students who have trouble finding funds for college tuition. Many students receive financial assistance that still does not cover the entire cost associated with higher education. Funds raised from the event will be earmarked for scholarships to help alleviate those situations.

Upon registering, walkers will be given a sponsor sheet to elicit donations to support them in the event. Participation is free to individuals willing to elicit sponsors. Persons interested in simply walking without raising funded support can do so by paying a \$10 registration fee. Participants in the Walk-A-Thon will receive a free meal and t-shirt.

Additional sponsors for the event include the West Virginia Human Rights Commission, the National "W" Club, and Tyler Mountain Water.

For additional information and to register, contact Carl Lee, Director of Advancement, at (304) 720-5058 or Kisstaman Epps at (304) 204-4025.

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