

Community college options are vital

I agree with Tom Koenninger's Dec. 10 column, "Community, tech colleges face perils." He points out that "of those who receive bachelor's degrees, 41 percent start at community colleges." He also states that the areas likely to be cut are the ones that are most in demand, such as ESL, worker retraining and developmental education.

With the current economy, the state legislature and the governor need to do all they can to avoid drastic cuts to this important option for not only the 18-year-old freshman, but also for the person who is seeking to retrain in another skill or trade. Only our community colleges can provide this kind of option for all.

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