## Propositional speech

Linguistics, English



South Dakota Higher Education Funding Policy Propositional Speech Speaker Thesis: The SDDOE should enact a comprehensive plan of action for funding higher education.

## Introduction

- I. There shortage of higher education state funding reduces the quality of education and the level of literacy in the region.
- II. The SDDOE should enact a comprehensive plan of action for funding higher education.

## Body

Overview: South Dakota has a stringent higher education funding policy that has left the higher education sector in the state crippled in terms of resources. A new plan of action is required to increase funding and improve higher academic performance.

- I. The number of students enrolling into public universities has reduced due to the currenthigher education funding policy.
- A. Residents prefer enrolling in out-of-state colleges and other private institutions.
- B. Over the past ten years, the state funding has decreased by 53% whereas neighboring states spend more by up to 5. 1% per student.
- II. Lack of enough university graduates reduces the economic productivity of South Dakota.
- A. Most residents below 30 years have postsecondary certification, making it difficult for them to secure well-paying jobs.
- B. Increasing higher education funding will prompt more students to enroll in local universities.

- III. SDDOE should adopt a performance-based funding policy.
- A. Research shows that increasing state funding of higher education does not directly lead to better academic performance.
- B. Outcome-based funding will reduce the number of residents that seek schooling in out-of-state colleges.
- IV. The new policy will work for a number of reasons
- A. Performance based metrics ensure funding is allocated based on academic outcomes, degrees awarded, and a growth in research expenditure.
- B. States that have already adopted this strategy have improved the amount of state funding significantly.

## Conclusion

- I. There shortage of higher education state funding in South Dakota reduces the quality of education in public schools.
- II. SDDOE should adopt an outcome-based or performance-based funding policy to increase the number of local graduates.

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