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According to the Associated Press story, the following states had facilities receive letters:

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- California — 38
- Colorado — 5
- Connecticut — 7
- Washington D.C. — 2
- Delaware — 4
- Florida — 21
- Georgia — 16
- Hawaii — 4
- Idaho — 3
- Illinois — 21
- Indiana — 34
- Iowa — 4
- Kansas — 8
- Louisiana — 27
- Maine — 3
- Maryland — 4
- Massachusetts — 12
- Michigan — 13
- Minnesota — 18
- Mississippi — 20
- Missouri — 16
- Montana — 5
- Nebraska — 8
- Nevada — 5
- New Hampshire — 1
- New Jersey — 8
- New Mexico — 3
- New York — 18
- North Carolina — 11
- North Dakota — 9
- Ohio — 10
- Oklahoma — 8
- Oregon — 4
- Pennsylvania — 13
- Rhode Island — 2
- South Carolina — 3
- South Dakota — 1
- Tennessee — 16
- Texas — 42
- Utah — 1
- Vermont — 1
- Washington — 9
- West Virginia — 2
- Wisconsin — 10
- Wyoming — 3

MSU opens new position to assess employee raises

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MURRAY — Murray State University is searching for a compensation specialist to conduct research, find gaps in the market and recommend employee raises accordingly.

The board of regents passed the 2027 fiscal budget in early June, which includes a 2% increase for cost-of-living adjustment. But more raises could be coming based on a compensation assessment.

MSU Vice President of Finance Laura Foltz said they haven't had a competitive compensation analysis in three years. "When people say they leave for compensation, that is something to be looked at and warrants another examination of our compensation," Foltz said.

Foltz said the approved COLA increase equals to around a \$1.2 million investment. She said in the last few years the total investment in employee compensation has reached around \$2.5 million.

"Compensation matters, our employees are central to our mission, they are central to our success," Foltz said. "We compete for talented faculty and staff in a challenging labor market. Investing in our workforce helps us attract and retain and support people who help bring that high quality education that our students expect."

The 2027 fiscal year starts July 1 and Foltz said they hope to fill the new compensation specialist position before that to hit the ground running day one.

"They're going to be the actual analysis, boots on the ground that's going to pull the market data and do the analysis to see where employees are and identify a dollar amount of the total gap so that we can start planning," Foltz said.

Not every employee will receive a raise, as Foltz said it



The Racer One statue on the Murray State University campus.

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Murray State University's gates.

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will be based on market data. MSU will become even more competitive financially as they continue to grow in both size and student body.

NOTICE TO MARSHALL COUNTY TAXPAYERS

Crissy Greer, Marshall County Clerk, pursuant to KRS 424.130, announces that the 2025 Delinquent Real Property Tax Bills (Certificates of Delinquency) will be published in the Marshall County Tribune Courier on June 25, 2026. The list of Certificates of Delinquency is also available for public inspection during the hours of 8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M. at the County Clerk's office located at 1101 Main Street, Benton, KY 42025. This list may also be inspected on the Marshall County Clerk website, <http://www.marshall.clerkinfo.net>. The tax sale will be held on July 23, 2026 beginning at 10:00 A.M. All interested participants must register with the County Clerk's office by the close of business on July 13, 2026. Please contact the County Clerk's office if you need additional information about the tax sale, registration process or the required registration fee. Taxpayers can continue to pay their delinquent tax bills to the County Clerk's office anytime prior to the tax sale. Please Note: All payments must be received in the County Clerk's office prior to the tax sale date listed in this advertisement. Payments received after the tax sale has been conducted, for bills that were purchased, will be returned without exception. Some delinquencies – although they have been advertised – will be excluded from the tax sale in accordance with the provisions of KRS 134.504(10)(b). If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the County Clerk's office (270)527-4746.