

Vision Project Twitter Photo Contest

Degrees of Urgency: Why Massachusetts Needs More College Graduates **Now** is the third Vision Project annual report released Tuesday, October 28, 2014. The cover story, entitled "Memo to Massachusetts," draws attention to a perfect storm of factors—rising need for college-educated workers, projected enrollment declines, and the growing impact of historic underfunding—that make excellence in public higher education, and the support needed to achieve it, a more urgent priority than ever.



Please join us in delivering this "Memo to Massachusetts" through a Twitter photo contest. Download one (or all) of our #Memo2MA signs at www.mass.edu/memo2ma and get snapping around campus! (Added 11/6/14: A blank sign so you can write your own memo drawn from Degrees of Urgency!)

The campus that collectively scores the most points will win a gourmet feast of coffee and treats to share with faculty, staff and students!



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#Memo2MA Twitter Photo Contest

How to Participate:

- 1. Print out any of our #Memo2MA signs from <u>www.mass.edu/memo2ma</u>. A sign must be incorporated into each photo (as creatively as you want).
- 2. **From Tuesday, October 28, through Friday, November 14,** tweet photos that include people in your campus community holding the sign, places around campus, and the following hashtags:
 - #Memo2MA
 - Your campus handle or hashtag from this list
- 3. Start earning points! For each photo tweeted using those items, your campus will receive **2 POINTS.**
- 4. If you're in it to win it, **BONUS POINTS*** will be awarded for tweets that include the following—you can get points *up to three times* for each of these:

HASHTAG	PHOTO INCLUDES:	POINTS
#Leader	Your president/chancellor	10
#MAPoli	A state or local legislator	10
#Crowd	At least 10 people in the photo	5
#SGA	Any student government officers	5
#Trustee	Any of your trustees	5
#Admissions	Admissions staff or office	3
#Faculty	A faculty member	3
#NewBuilding	A new building on your campus	3
#Workforce	A workforce development staffer or center	3

* Each campus can receive bonus points 3 times per person/place listed, although you are not prohibited from including them in additional photos for regular points.

5. Even more BONUS POINTS: Every retweet of a @MassDHE #Memo2MA tweet gets your campus 1 POINT. These must come from one of the official campus Twitter handles at right.

Notes and Tips:

- Use the text of your tweet to elaborate on the sign's message—how does it relate to your campus, your work, your passion for public higher education? Help us hammer this #Memo2MA home.
- Feel free to get others on campus involved in posting photos. Every public Twitter post that meets the requirements, including tagging your campus, will count toward your campus' total points.
- The winning campus will be announced the week of November 17, and will soon after receive a delivery of gourmet coffee and treats:
 - 10 coffee cakes donated by The Original Boston Coffee Cake (founded by NECC trustee Mark Forman)
 - Coffee donated by Hogan Brothers Micro Roasted Coffee (based in Framingham)
 - Cookies donated by Tate's Bake Shop (based in New York)

Example: Includes "campus" handle (@MassDHE), #Memo2MA, and one bonus hashtag (#Leader)



MA Dept of Higher Ed @MassDHE · Oct 29 #Memo2MA from @MassDHE #leader Cmr Freeland: #MA must extend nat'l K12 leadership to public highered. And we will!



DHE Twitter Handle

@MassDHE

Campus Twitter Handles

@BerkshireCC @BridgeStateU @bristolcc @BHCCBoston @CapeCodComCol @Fitchburg_State @FraminghamU @GfldCommCollege @HolyokeCC @MassBayCommCol @MassArt @MCLA Edu @MMAAdmissions @MassasoitTweets @middlesex cc @MountWachusett @northshore cc @NorthernEssex @Quinsig @SeeRCC @SalemState @S_T_C_C @UMassAmherst @UMassBoston @UMassDartmouth @UMassLowell @UMassMedical @WestfieldState @WorcesterState