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## **University of Toledo to Host Chancellor and Civic Leaders for Public Forum on Higher Education: Centers of Excellence and the Role of Research** *Community Conversations six-region tour joins college, business, civic and student leaders to discuss Ohio's 10-year Strategic Plan on Higher Education*

COLUMBUS – The public is invited to attend the sixth and final Community Conversation forum presented by Ohio Board of Regents Chancellor Eric D. Fingerhut to discuss the 10-year strategic plan on higher education delivered to Governor Strickland and the Ohio General Assembly March 31.

**The forum will be held Tuesday, June 17, from 9-10:30 a.m. at University of Toledo, Law Center Auditorium, 2801 West Bancroft, Toledo, Ohio.**

Chancellor Fingerhut will provide an overview of the strategic plan and then moderate a panel discussion focused on higher education centers of excellence and the role of research. The floor will be opened to the audience following the panel discussion.

The invited panelists consist of community college and university officials, business, civic and student leaders including:

- Dr. Lloyd Jacobs, President, University of Toledo
- Dr. Christa Adams, President, Owens Community College
- Representative Peter Ujvagi, Ohio General Assembly
- Representative Barbara Sears, Ohio General Assembly
- Regent James M. Tuschman, Secretary, Ohio Board of Regents
- Robert Savage, Sr., Co-founder, Savage & Associates
- Michael Betz, Student Body President Emeritus, University of Toledo

- Betsy Yeary, Student Representative, University of Toledo

The event is free and open to the public, although space is limited. Those interested in attending the June 17 forum at University of Toledo are encouraged to register by contacting Toni Blochowski at (419) 530-5529 or [toni.blochowski@utoledo.edu](mailto:toni.blochowski@utoledo.edu).

The forum will be taped by Ohio Government Telecommunications for re-broadcast on The Ohio Channel.

For additional information about the Community Conversations Tour, go to: <http://universitysystem.ohio.gov/commconv/index.php>. For a copy of the strategic plan, go to: <http://universitysystem.ohio.gov/pdfs/strategicPlan/USOStrategicPlan.pdf>.

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