

Rebecca Buck

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To: Rebecca Buck
Subject: Vermont Interactive Television

Dear Senator Kitchel and Members of the Senate Appropriations Committee,

I am writing to ask that funding for Vermont Interactive Television (VIT) be included in the state budget. At Vermont Tech I use interactive television to teach nursing students simultaneously on three or more campuses. With nursing sites dispersed at multiple locations, there would be no comparable way to deliver my technical communications class. Similarly pharmacology and other courses use VIT. While some say online courses work as well, they cannot deliver the same opportunity for discussion and interaction with the teacher as VIT.

VIT is also used for job interviews, classes outside the college, meetings and public hearings. If VIT is not funded, we will lose a valuable means of teaching and communication.

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