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## UW-P Receives Grant

Cuba City...Travis Tranel, Republican challenger for State Assembly, is praising the University of Wisconsin – Platteville for receiving a National Science Foundation (NSF) grant of \$200,000 to expand their nanotechnology engineering program. Tranel says he is thrilled by the award and hopes to help UW Platteville to expand the successful program if elected to the legislature.

“My top reason for running for office is to enact pro-growth policies that bring good jobs to Southwest, WI,” said Tranel. “If we can improve Wisconsin’s jobs climate overall, UWP’s nanotechnology program will have the potential to attract major employers to our area.”

Tranel calls UWP vital to the economic success of Platteville and the region as a whole. He says that improving interaction and cooperation between the UW System and private businesses is a cornerstone of his pro-jobs, pro growth agenda.

“When you have a world-class university in your backyard like we do there shouldn’t be barriers between the services it can provide and the research and development needs of employers in the area,” said Tranel. “We must strive to expand existing collaborations between UWP and area business and to help facilitate new ones.”

UW Platteville’s Nanotechnology Undergraduate Education Program is premier in the nation. Nanotechnology, once thought to be more science fiction than science, is now practically applied in hundreds of ways and has the potential to revolutionize modern American industry.

Tranel is challenging incumbent politician Phil Garthwaite (D-Dickeyville) to represent the 49<sup>th</sup> Assembly District, which includes all of Grant County and portions of Iowa, Lafayette, and Richland Counties. The General Election will be held on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

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