Question for Question Time

Whaddya think of the following statistics (from the most recent annual issue of the campus's Statistical Profiles booklet)?

• Despite increases in credit hours and bodies enrolled, the number of faculty is slightly smaller this year than last, although the number of associate faculty is larger and, as usual, the number of administrators has, as always, increased (the latter by almost 6%).

•Budgeted state appropriations have again declined as a percentage of the IPFW budget, and the percentage of the budget paid by student fees has again increased.

•Only 19.2% of this year's IPFW freshman class came from the top 20% of their high-school graduating class (down from 20.6% last year, and reflecting an unbroken decline from 26.0% only four years ago).

•Only 57.7% of this year's IPFW freshman class came from the top 50% of their high-school graduating class (down from 60.4% last year, and reflecting an unbroken decline from 69.0% only four years ago).

• The apparently perpetual, slow decline in the SAT scores of IPFW's freshmen has continued.

• Despite indications-some believed them promises--that Guided Studies admissions would be cut back, the number of Guided Studies students this year leaped to 625, an increase of more than 30% over the 467 enrolled last year.

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