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Kasich speaks to Buckeye Boys State

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BOWLING GREEN — Gov. John Kasich today gave some free advice to the Ohio high school students attending Buckeye Boys State, and said the report on job growth in the state shows that his administration is on the right path.

The speech, a tradition for all but one of Boys State's 76 years, almost didn't happen because of a conflict with passing the state budget, Mr. Kasich said. "I thought we were signing the budget bill today. It turned out we got it done yesterday."

Mr. Kasich, speaking at an outdoor assembly to the throng of about 1,200 high school juniors, urged them to follow their dreams and also to get "in sync" with the Creator.

"The most important thing I have found is a relationship and friendship with the Lord," said Mr. Kasich. "It's worth trying to get that connection with the most powerful force in the universe, to work with you to give the power to do a lot of good things."

In his talk, he urged them to follow their dreams and to make friends who will support them in their goals. He also urged them to take college courses that will allow them to be successful, mentioning finance, engineering, and medicine.

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