

Local students head to March for Life

(KAIR/Associated Press)--Anti-abortion activists will have multiple reasons to celebrate — and some reasons for unease — when they gather Friday in Washington for the annual March for Life. The march has been held since January 1974 — a year after the U.S. Supreme Court- Roe v. Wade decision established a nationwide right to abortion.

Among those in attendance will be more than 200 Benedictine College students, which, the college says, were rallied by the college- Ravens Respect Life student group.

The Benedictine College students departed from Atchison Wednesday.

This year- March for Life gathering will be the first since the high court struck down Roe in a momentous ruling last June. Since then, 12 Republican-governed states have implemented sweeping bans on abortion. But in the same period, abortion opponents were defeated in votes on ballot measures in Kansas, Michigan and Kentucky. And state courts have blocked several abortion bans from taking effect.

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