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Campus supports

organ donation

CHARLESTON — It's the sort of decision college students may not think much about — like drafting a will or pre-planning a funeral — but Donate Life Illinois has turned organ donation registration into a competition between campuses, and Eastern Illinois University has joined the race to get the word out about the need to re-register since Jan. 1, 2006.

The Agency, a student-run public relations group, has hosted a table in the EIU student union to encourage students to sign up there or online.

"We were just shouting out to people, 'Have you registered to be an organ donor since Jan. 1?'" said Katrina Zaret, student director of The Agency.

Anyone can join the new donor registry by visiting the Donate Life Illinois campaign site at www.IAmAreYou.org; visiting any driver's license facility; or by calling the Illinois Secretary of State Organ/Tissue Donor Program at (800) 210-2106.

The campaign runs through the end of the month.