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- On February 22nd Dr. Christy Petroze, Dr. Kimberly Haverkos, and Dr. Carol Ryan participated in the KACTE (Kentucky Association for College Teacher Educators) Day on the Hill. The three professors had the opportunity to represent the Educator's Association and Thomas More College and to speak with several legislators about current legislation that will directly impact teacher preparation and not only the P-12 learning community, but the P-20 learning community.
Dr. Petroze, Dr. Haverkos, and Dr. Ryan had the opportunity to speak one on one with Senator John Schickel, Senator Wil Schroder, Senator Sal Santoro, Senator Brian Linder, and Senator Dennis Keene. They spoke about the impact of charter schools on the local learning community and teacher certification, Senate Bill 1, and there was much discussion around the proposal of the elimination of the master's degree in Senate bill 80 and House Bill 152.
Dr. Petroze, Dr. Haverkos, and Dr. Ryan spoke candidly with the senators about the ways in which higher education will be directly impacted by this legislation, and asked to be a part of the conversations as these decisions are being made. They felt that the conversations with the senators were worthwhile and productive.