

One hour's pay for the kids of L.A.

Talking Points

California faces its most serious budget crisis in decades.

- We are facing billions in cuts to public education and hundreds of millions in cuts from LAUSD.
- If these cuts go through there will be devastating funding reductions that will affect all, especially teachers and students.
- We must fight back on every front: phone calls, emails, letter writing, lobbying delegations, mobilizations.
- We must act now. If these cuts go through it will be almost impossible to reverse them and the damage to teachers and student's education will be disastrous and long-term.
- We need to mobilize over the summer so we are ready to act in the fall.

Here's how the budget cuts could affect you:

- No raises for the foreseeable future. LAUSD might even try to cut our pay.
- Aggressive cuts to our health care benefits
- Dramatic increase in class sizes
- Probationary teachers will lose their jobs. Permanent teachers might lose their jobs if LAUSD declares a state of emergency.
- Retiree health benefits would be at risk.

June 6th Action:

- On June 6th we will be sending a message to the Governor and the legislation that we will not be silent by **picketing outside school, during the first hour**, together with parents and community members.
- This is the first shot across the bow, a stepping stone to bigger and stronger actions.
- We should expect to be docked one hour of pay.
- This is an unprotected work action. Our best protection is for every UTLA member to participate.
- UTLA is working with administrators to establish procedures to ensure the safety of students during the June 6 action.
- This action is not against Administrators and is not meant to hurt schools. We are in this fight together.

A big turn-out now makes a big difference. We must all participate on June 6.

