



A.J. Duffy, UTLA President

UTLA members,

On March 4th UTLA will be joining the Southern California Public Education Coalition in a daylong series of events to highlight the cuts to public education and social services, and the need for progressive tax reform. This coalition represents the first time K-12 unions, both CFT and CTA; community college faculty and staff; Cal State faculty and staff; and UC faculty and staff have come together as a unified group to speak out against the destructive State budget cuts.

As many of you know, this day came out of the efforts of the UC community to stand up to cuts and astronomical fee increases of over 30%. UTLA is proud to be part of this coalition and to join with students, educators and workers across the State in this action.

In the morning we will leaflet parents, followed by a press conference. After school we are encouraging all of our members to attend one of the four rallies throughout the southland (see attached flier for information).

Please be aware that neither UTLA nor its officers, representatives or affiliates have authorized a job action on March 4th. Furthermore UTLA is neither encouraging nor condoning student walkouts. UTLA members who participate in a job action or encourage student walkouts could face serious punitive measures by the District including, but not limited to, the possible revocation of their teaching credential.

We believe that the activities we have planned for March 4th will help unify the education community and will set the groundwork for future actions.

Let's send a message to our District and State legislators that cuts are not acceptable and that the educational community is uniting like never before.

See you at the rallies.

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