

PICKET CHECKLIST

October 11th School Site Picketing

The following checklist will help each chapter prepare for a successful morning of picketing on October 11th, to demonstrate our unity in the struggle for more school funding, to protect our healthcare and to achieve a contract that respects educators, lowers class size and supports our students.

Before Picket Day:

- Meet with your Contract Action Team (CAT). Set a goal for turnout expectations (around 90%, can vary based on school site), make sure CAT members are prepared to talk to the members they are responsible for and keep track of commitments using the “I’ll Be There” sign-up sheet
- Hold a chapter meeting immediately to organize prior to the picket
- Recruit the following volunteers to a chapter picket committee:
 - Communications Coordinator: Set up a text tree/text blast and email tree/email blast to remind your entire chapter and parents who are participating via text and email about picketing (a week before, one day before and the morning of)
 - Picket captains: to lead the marching and chants
 - Translators to interpret the rally speaker messages if necessary
- Invite students (where appropriate), parents and members of other unions at the school to join
- Identify high-visibility locations for the picket line at your school site

Day of Picket:

- Consider purchasing donuts and coffee (with chapter funds, if available)
- Chapter Chair and committee arrive 1 hour before sign-in with materials (signs, markers [sharpies are best], chant sheets)
- Meet 45 minutes prior to sign-in at one location outside the school
- Have copies of chant sheets and assign members to lead chants
- Set up a place and have clipboards ready for people to sign in

TIPS for picketing:

- Keep people moving in a circle
- Keep chants going and energy high
- DO NOT slow the drop-off of students
- Gather folks at the end (before members need to sign in) and thank them for their time, hold a unity clap, and pass it on to the parents/students if they are going to continue until school starts

You have a right to picket and hand out leaflets. If you have any issues that you cannot resolve with the LAPD, School Police or Administration call UTLA Representation Coordinator Carl Joseph at (213) 305-8459.

REPORT THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS AND DETAILS OF THE ACTION AT:

www.bit.ly/october11picket

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