

Join the
**California Federation of Teachers
in opposing Proposition 1A**

IT WILL CUT BILLIONS FROM EDUCATION AND OTHER VITAL PUBLIC SERVICES

POWER GRAB

Remember Prop. 76 in 2005? Deja vu all over again. Proposition 1A gives the governor unilateral power to make midyear cuts in important programs that serve the people of California, including public education, without legislative or any other oversight.

HURTS STUDENTS

Closing the achievement gap is a key goal for California's future. Prop. 1A will harm California's most vulnerable students by capping funding at levels that will require deep cuts in programs that support children and families in poverty. Teachers know that children who come to school sick or hungry can't learn. Prop. 1A is likely to widen the achievement gap between better-off and poorer students.

DO THE MATH

The California Budget Project estimates the budget cap will be \$16 billion lower than the baseline spending estimate for 2010-2011. Prop. 1A could cut education by more than \$6 billion in that year, and by billions more in following years. That underfunding would worsen over time and education would never recover those funds. The cuts would be permanently locked into our state constitution.



BAD FOR HIGHER ED

Prop. 1A would deeply harm the University of California and California State Universities, and set back teacher preparation at a time of critical need. CSU, which prepares nearly 60% of California teachers, would suffer deep cuts. California faces a shortage of 100,000 teachers in the next decade. This is no time to set back the university preparing those teachers. And students, who have suffered more than 110% fee increases since 2002, will face still higher tuition, closing off access to working families.

CARROT AND STICK

Prop. 1A is a stick linked to a Prop. 1B carrot. *But the carrot is already owed to public education.* If Prop. 1A fails, schools and community colleges will still be due the funds specified by Prop. 1B. The legislature will need to properly allocate it or defenders of public education will have to go to court to enforce the Proposition 98 guarantees.

**Defeat Prop. 1A.
Send the
Governor and
the Legislature
back to the
drawing board
for a better
budget solution.**



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