

Join with OEA Educators to Save Public Education!

As your child's educators, we are asking for your support



Our union, the Oakland Education Association (OEA), has been in contract negotiations with the Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) for two years. The school board is under the control of billionaire privatizers and has refused to bargain with us seriously. Instead it is destroying public education in Oakland.

This needs to stop! We want to make sure that all Oakland students can attend equitable, quality *public* schools. *We are willing to go on strike if necessary to make this happen.*

We're fighting for:

- **Smaller class sizes:** Students, especially our most vulnerable students, do better in small classes.
- **More student supports:** Students need more counselors, nurses, resource specialists, and other supports.
- **A living wage. Recruit and retain quality educators, especially educators of color:** OUSD is losing teachers due to poor working conditions and the lowest salaries in Alameda County.
- **More support for communities of greatest need:** OEA is working with community organizations to establish *public* Community Schools with enriched curriculum, parent engagement, and services such as restorative justice programs and additional help for newcomer/immigrant and special education students.
- **No school closures and privatization:** OUSD must stop closing public schools and approving new privately-run charter schools and co-locations which takes \$57 million yearly from our public schools.



OUSD Must Prioritize Students

OUSD claims it has a deficit. But it is spending twice as much on high-priced administrators and three times as much on consultants as other large California districts do. OUSD doesn't have a deficit problem—it has a priorities problem.

The Los Angeles school district also claimed it had no money. But when teachers struck last month with parent and student support, the district “found” money for smaller classes, more supports, and higher pay!

Fund Oakland Students' Future

OEA is also part of a statewide coalition demanding that California fully fund public education by taxing corporations and the rich and stopping charter school expansion. Students in elite private schools enjoy class sizes of 15 or less. Our students deserve the same!

We are asking for parent and student support for all these efforts. Please join us! Contact your child's teacher or OEA at info@oea.org. If you would like more information about OEA's fight for public education, go to oaklandea.org.