



CSA Calls on the Government to act as Strike Deadline is Announced

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TORONTO, ON - The College Student Alliance (CSA) the voice of Ontario's college students, is calling on Minister of Colleges and Universities Jill Dunlop to act now to support college students as College Faculty announce strike deadline.

"Students should be the priority during this process. CSA encourages college faculty and the colleges themselves to come back to the table and negotiate to avoid a strike" said Eli Ridder, President of CSA.

The pandemic has been incredibly hard on college students, from impacting their finances to their mental health, a return to stability and normalcy is critical. CSA believes everyone has the right to fair compensation for work provided and those working conditions should be fair and equitable. CSA also acknowledges that these are difficult economic times for everyone in Ontario.

"Both sides have a responsibility to support college students," said Mr. Ridder.

The COVID-19 Pandemic has upended any normalcy that college students have had. The economic downturn from the pandemic is affecting many people, but college students are shouldering much of this burden of an uncertain future. The Ministry of Colleges and Universities, College Faculty, and the colleges have a responsibility to do what is in the best interest of its students and return to the bargaining table or agree to a negotiated settlement so to avoid further disruption.

With a strike deadline being set further hardship for college students is on the horizon. The ministry has a role to play, CSA urges the government to act and provide stability to Ontario's college students.

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About College Student Alliance:

College Student Alliance (CSA) advocates on behalf of Ontario college students in partnership with student leaders. Through our member student associations, CSA represents the collective voice of Ontario's college students.

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