



RE: Letter of support to our primary, secondary and college colleagues in the public sector

NO TO THE PILLAGING OF EDUCATION!

This week, tens of thousands of you will be exercising your right to strike in the public-sector negotiations with the government. We, the private-sector teachers and support staff of the *Fédération nationale des enseignantes et des enseignants du Québec* (FNEEQ-CSN), wish to publicly express our support for your fight with this letter. FNEEQ-CSN includes 43 unions in the private education sector that together represent nearly 4,000 members. We believe you are being subjected to underhanded and brutal attacks in this collective bargaining process: ludicrous salary offers, increased workload, greater job precarity, cuts to pension plans, and the list goes on. Your working conditions are our working conditions and we, like you, are deeply committed to providing quality education and support to the young people who are to become the enlightened, critical-thinking and engaged citizens of tomorrow. We stand with you in the defence of our education system, which, for too many years, has been the victim of unmitigated pillaging: budget cutbacks, erosion of services, destructive austerity.

We share in your outrage!

Yours, in solidarity,

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