



No Class Without Classified!

OEA Supports Our Sister and Brother Classified Workers

Oakland Education Association President Keith Brown marched with SEIU 1021 leaders and members into the OUSD Board Meeting on February 13, 2019, joining in the chant, “No class without classified!” OEA 1st Vice President Ismael Armendariz told the Board, “**OEA will not accept any cuts or layoffs to classified staff to pay for our demands.**” OEA is calling on the District to chop from the **top**—that’s central office administrators and consultants, **not** classified employees.

OEA has consistently called on OUSD to pay for lower class size, more student supports, and fair pay by cutting wildly excessive spending on outside consultants and top administrators and by stopping the flow of tens of millions of dollars annually from our public schools to charter schools. OEA firmly opposes the District’s plan to cut classified positions. We also are fighting the planned closure of up to 24 public schools, a move that will **not** save money or improve public education. In fact, it will do the opposite by pushing even more students out of the public schools and into charters. That will worsen the district’s finances and ability to improve public schools!



OEA greatly appreciates the support of [AFSCME 257](#) and [SEIU 1021](#), whose leaders recently informed members of their right as public workers to respect picket lines. As expected the District is now trying to divide us by spreading misinformation about our legal rights. Let’s stand with our fellow workers and our unions against the billionaires in control of the school board. Together we will win!