

**Everyone
needs
support.**

BARGAINING BULLETIN



From your CAAT Support negotiating team

Now more than ever...

...the Ontario government knows the colleges are critical to building and protecting our economy. That's why they're investing in the colleges like never before.

\$560 million to support new skills for new careers

- New Second Career Strategy to help workers affected by job loss train for new careers -- **\$353 Million**
- Apprenticeship -- **\$75 million** over the next three years, rising to **\$50 million annually** by 2011–12, to expand the number of Ontario apprentices. Apprenticeship Enhancement Fund -- **\$45 million** over the next three years to buy state-of-the-art equipment essential to the technical training of apprentices.
- Support for effective integration of newcomers in the job market -- almost **\$30 million** for English as a Second Language (ESL) enhancements and additional training services.
- support for workplace training.

\$970 million to build places where students learn

- College Equipment and Renewal Fund -- **\$60 million** over three years
- 2007 Economic Outlook and Fiscal Review for postsecondary campus renewal and strategic capital projects -- **\$464 million**
- Strategic Skills Training Capital Investments to expand training centres and capacity -- **\$200 million**

\$465 million to expand postsecondary student aid and programs

Yes, the dollars are there – and support staff need to be a part of it!

It's time the colleges acknowledge our contributions, and provide us with a fair and equitable wage increase that reflect our commitment and hard work. It's time the colleges invest in the staff that make the colleges run.

Vote No to the offer! Vote Yes to authorize a strike if necessary!

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