

TIPS FOR GIVING CLASS PRESENTATIONS

Approach professor to make shrot announcement related to cuts to CUNY and the student demonstration on the 23rd.

Lay out cuts

Ask for questions

Encourage students to attend the 23rd rally or do anything they can to save public higher education. Tell students to not diminish what contributions they can make, and that it is essential for all students to be involved because the cuts can be stopped.

FACT SHEET FOR CLASS RAPS

WHO IS BEING TARGETED

- 1) 60% of CUNY students are women and people of color
- 2) 50% of Cuny students come from households with incomes less than \$22,000
- 3) Close to 2/3 of the student body work more than 30 hours per week
- 4) Students that receive financial assistance to attend school
At CUNY 94% of SEEK students are people of color

EDUCATIONAL IMPACT

- 1) Over 15,000 class section cancellations CUNYwide. At Brooklyn the estimate has been 2,200 class sections So figure that 15,000 is a gross underestimation.
- 2) 2,000 full-time faculty and staff would lose their jobs

ECONOMICAL IMPACT

- 1) Loss of aid to part- time students, aid for graduate students, SEEK, EOP, HEOP(all entitlement programs which serve over 60,000 students state wide)
- 2) Tuition increase of \$1,000
- 3)Recently, Guiliani proposed an additional cut to CUNY of \$40,000,000 which translates as additional \$500 tuition increase totaling \$1,500 increase
- 4)The budget proposed by the govenor will reduce CUNY's operating budget by 25% this means 158 million in cuts to CUNY

Because they earn more, Cuny graduates pay substantially higher taxes. Each year, NYS and NYC derive approximately \$414 million in taxes from CUNY's 1970-1994 graduates that if they had not received a college degree.