

College Support

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Quality services at Ontario colleges must include supports that make post-secondary education accessible. But the contracting out of college support staff jobs means that mental health services, job counselling and healthy food options on campus are being affected.

Consistent funding results in stable programs and good jobs.

College Support Part-time workers number some 20,000 across the province. While Bill 148, the *Fair Workplaces, Better Jobs Act*, addresses equal pay for equal work, there must be a commitment to honour this Bill and provide fair compensation to part-time and contract workers.

Ontario College management positions are up 77 per cent since 2002-03. Increasing the number of front-line support jobs would be a wiser investment.

Programs for our more vulnerable students are those being cut at the highest rates. Students with disabilities, new Canadians or those retraining following job loss, have dwindling access to the programs and support services they need at colleges in their communities.

Ontario colleges are implementing “strategic mandate agreements” which jeopardize student success. It is not always possible for students to move to another community to take the program they need. This short-sighted mandate is especially bad for adult learners, parents with young families, and our more vulnerable students.

Platform Priorities:

Fund quality services for students at Ontario colleges

Stop the contracting out of college services

Keep programs in our local communities to better serve students

