

## **Community College Association 2016-17 State Budget Principles**

1. CTA believes that the base allocation for community colleges should be increased.
2. CTA believes that the Student Support Services Program and Basic Skills both provide critical support for historically underrepresented students and that existing and new funds provided should translate to direct services for students in a fully transparent and accountable manner.
3. CTA believes that the 2016-17 State Budget must acknowledge that reduced class sizes increase student success which should not be diminished through online and hybrid course offerings.
4. CTA believes that the drive to create a zero-textbook-cost degree should not infringe on the academic freedom of faculty members to choose the learning materials they believe are most appropriate for instruction.
5. CTA believes that the provisions of the 2016-17 State Budget must protect funds for historically underrepresented groups such as, but not limited to, Extended Opportunity Program Services, Puente, the Disabled Student Programs and Services, and the CalWorks Program.
6. CTA believes that the provisions of the 2016-17 State Budget must increase funds for part-time office hours, health insurance, and compensation for part-time faculty and that the parity monies provided for part-time faculty should solely be spent on part-time faculty.
7. CTA believes that the provisions of the 2016-17 budget must provide funds to increase the number of full-time faculty to meet and exceed the provisions outlined in the 75/25 percent law.
8. CTA believes the tuition levels at the California State University and University of California hinders the ability for community college students to continue their educational career by making student participation financially prohibited.
9. CTA believes that the provisions of the 2016-17 State Budget must protect compliance with the 50 Percent Law.
10. CTA believes that the provisions of the 2016-17 State Budget must prevent the redistribution/redirection of Proposition 98 funds from local collective bargaining processes.
11. CTA believes that adequate counseling services should be provided to meet student needs.