

UNITED WE STAND

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OPSEU Local 109



FACULTY

A huge thank you to all the members of OPSEU Local 110. Yesterday, our brothers and sisters in the faculty union made a five-figure cash donation to us, which will be used to top up strike pay and assist members experiencing hardship. This generous act of support is in addition to the many snacks, drinks and meals they already have delivered to our members on the picket lines. Local 110 also has told its members to do only faculty work, not our jobs. This is what solidarity is all about. College faculty rule!

Playing the numbers game: the facts on part-time staff

The war of words between the College Employer Council (CEC) and OPSEU continues over the number of part-time support workers.

For the past week, the CEC and colleges have been putting out numbers showing they have recently hired more full-time staff. OPSEU maintains that colleges have been increasing their part-time staff. Don Sinclair, the CEC's chief executive officer, was quoted in

the media as calling that "baloney," and said there are more full-time college support staff now than in 2008.

True. But those numbers are meaningless unless they are put in the context of the number of part-time hires.

While it is difficult to get statistics for individual colleges, **UNITED WE STAND** consulted the annual **Colleges Ontario Environmental Scan** for system statistics for the last five years. *(continued on back)*

Weather Forecast for Friday, September 9



Isolated showers
High: 23°C
Feels Like: 30°C
Low: 17°C
Wind: NE 10km/hr

LONDON

Saturday: isolated showers, high 22°C. Sunday: Cloudy, high 23°C.



Isolated showers
High: 23°C
Feels Like: 30°C
Low: 17°C
Wind: NE 10km/hr
POP: 40%

ST. THOMAS

Saturday: isolated showers, high 22°C. Sunday: Cloudy, high 23°C.



Isolated showers
High: 23°C
Feels Like: 30°C
Low: 18°C
Wind: NE 15km/hr

SIMCOE

Saturday: isolated showers, high 20°C. Sunday: Cloudy, high 23°C.



Isolated showers
High: 23°C
Feels Like: 29°C
Low: 16°C
Wind: NE 10km/hr
POP: 40%

WOODSTOCK

Saturday: variable cloudiness, high 21°C. Sunday: Cloudy, high 23°C.

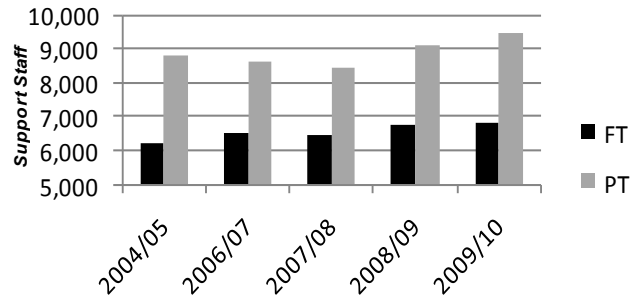
Numbers game (continued)

Each details the number of full and part-time administrative, support and faculty employees in the Ontario college system. Colleges Ontario cites the CEC as the source of its raw data (http://www.collegesontario.org/research/2011_environmental_scan.html).

While numbers of both groups dipped in 2007/08, the colleges hired 298 new full-time staff and 667 part-timers in 2008/09. In 2009/10, the last year for which data is available, 79 new full-time staff were added: colleges hired 337 part-time staff.

Full and part-time staff as of 2009/10 total 6,830 and 9,447 respectively.

Full & Part-Time College Support Staff in Ontario 2004-2010



No bargaining scheduled yet

Despite CEC's media release earlier this week, No talks between OPSEU CAAT-S and the CEC have been scheduled as of early Thursday.

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