



## Save the Date!

### DAY OF ACTION FOR PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION

Thursday, January 26, 2017

8:30am-4:30 p.m.

Connecticut State Capitol Building, Hartford

Come when you can!

Different activities held throughout the day.

**CT public higher education is in crisis.** Students and faculty are caught between the long-term *national trend of education defunding* and a short-term political assault of *spending cuts*, resulting in *tuition increases*.

With a **22% reduction in state funding for public higher education since 2009**, and now a **projected 10% across-the-board cut in 2017** – we are demanding that Democrats and Republicans **respect the Constitution of the State of Connecticut**.

**Connecticut Constitution, Article Eight, SEC. 2:**

“The state shall maintain a system of higher education... which shall be dedicated to **excellence in higher education.**”

Join the **united faculty and students** of the Connecticut Community Colleges, Connecticut State Universities, and University of Connecticut **in fighting for excellence in public higher education.**

### Help us flip the narrative!

- **Special Screening** of the documentary “*Starving the Beast*,” followed by discussion with the director, Steve Mims.
- **Rally** on the North Steps of the Capitol.
- CSU, Community College, and UConn faculty and students **lobby** legislators and get **pledges** from them not to cut higher education.
- Panel **discussion** on problems facing public higher education & **student speakers telling their stories.**

Learn more about the event:

**[aftct.org/event/day-action-public-higher-education](http://aftct.org/event/day-action-public-higher-education)**

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