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Dear Dr. Kim,

I am writing to express my unwavering support for the Columbia Faculty Union (CFAC) and their pursuit of a just contract. Recent communications have brought to my attention Columbia College Chicago's proposed actions, including course reductions, larger class sizes, and the potential dismissal of numerous CFAC members. These proposed changes neglect the primary focus of our educational institutions: the students. Such alterations undermine the educational quality promised to students who have entrusted their futures to Columbia College.

Columbia College stands as a vital establishment for higher education within our state. Despite its private status, it significantly benefits from state support. As per the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, last year alone, Columbia College students were awarded 2,060 MAP grants amounting to \$9,669,364. The current situation places these students at risk of losing credits for the ongoing semester, significantly hindering their progress. However, this dire scenario can be averted through a fair and equitable resolution with CFAC.

I strongly urge the Columbia College administration to come back to the table and bargain with workers so that everyone can get back to the most important people in all of this—the students.

Warm regards,



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