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**MEDIA RELEASE**

**Faculty Union & CSU Announce 48-Hour Blackout  
on Strike Preparations, News & Communication**

*\*\* Blackout period to allow negotiations to continue without interruption \*\**

(April 6, 2016) —There is hope that talks between the California Faculty Association and the California State University may avert a five-day, systemwide strike on all 23 campuses scheduled to begin April 13.

CFA and CSU management are working to find a solution, rather than continuing the dispute that began over 11 months ago. Both parties have agreed to honor a 48-hour blackout period, effective today, on internal strike planning, communication efforts and news. **Neither party will respond to media inquiries nor conduct media interviews regarding the status of negotiations or strike preparations during the blackout period.**

CFA leaders and CSU officials plan to hold a joint news conference on **Friday, April 8** in Sacramento, at which time they hope to announce a settlement.

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**About the California Faculty Association**

*CFA represents 26,000 tenured and tenure-track instructional faculty, lecturers, librarians, counselors, and coaches on the 23 campuses of the California State University system, from Humboldt State in the north, to San Diego State in the south. Learn more about CFA at [www.calfac.org](http://www.calfac.org)*

**About the California State University**

*The [California State University](http://www.calstate.edu) is the largest system of senior higher education in the country, with 23 campuses, 47,000 faculty and staff and more than 470,000 students. Half of the CSU's students transfer from California Community Colleges. Created in 1960, the mission of the CSU is to provide high-quality, affordable education to meet the ever changing needs of California. With its commitment to quality, opportunity, and student success, the CSU is renowned for superb teaching, innovative research and for producing job-ready graduates. Each year, the CSU awards*

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