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The Public Higher Education Network of Massachusetts (PHENOM) fully supports the efforts of California faculty to defend public higher education. California, which was once the model of a public higher education system, has restructured, reoriented and reprioritized in recent years so that this is no longer the case.

With scarce resources increasingly directed toward administration, and funding increasingly coming from students, the system is on a path toward privatization and limited access. The California Faculty Association has been astute in recognizing the trends, smart in its framing of the issues, and powerful in mobilizing its members to protect the futures of California residents seeking an affordable quality education.

PHENOM unites students, faculty, staff and others in an effort to keep the public in public higher education in Massachusetts. We fight for affordability, access, adequate staffing, sufficient state support, and democracy on our campuses. In other words, we share CFA's goals and know that our fights are intimately linked. We offer our support and solidarity.