What’s at Stake for YOU in the State Budget Debate?

QUICK FACTS:

$ Together, K-12 (41.3%) and Higher Education (UC, CSU & Community Colleges--10.1%) make up over half of the California state budget.

$ The State of California provides about 60% of community college budgets, depending on each district. The other 40% is drawn from local property taxes (28%), Student Fees (5%), Federal Funds (4%), and State Lottery proceeds (3%) (as of 2010-2011).

$ Student fees at all community colleges have been raised in the last few years from $26/unit in spring 2010 to $46/unit in fall 2012 (an 88.5% increase).

$ Community college students face new restrictions on attempting and repeating courses to reduce overall demand on the system.

CABRILLO CUTS SO FAR:

$ 400 classes were cut in the last few years in nearly every discipline across campus.

$ Course offerings have decreased by almost 10% since Fall 2011.

$ Tutoring staff, services, and hours were reduced.

$ Roughly 95 staff jobs equal to 47 full-time positions have been eliminated or reduced since 2007-08. These staffers supported students in Admissions & Records, Financial Aid, Division Offices, the Library, Tutoring Centers, Student Affairs, Facilities and Custodial Services, and other areas.

WHAT IS PROPOSITION 30? Prop. 30 provides funding for K-12 and CA higher education from a temporary, 4-year income tax increase on individuals earning more than $250,000 or families earning more than $500,000 (the top 3% of California’s taxpayers). Additional revenue would come from a .25% increase in sales tax for all Californians (25 cents per $100).

IF PROP. 30 DOES NOT PASS, Cabrillo will face an ADDITIONAL cut of 7.3%. This reduction is equivalent to:

$ Losing space for 780 full-time students

$ Cutting one in thirteen classes

$ Eliminating five average-sized programs or majors