

Attention Cal Students:

Can we afford to sit this one out?

We, as Cal students, have a big stake in the upcoming election.

Ronald Reagan is flatly on record against our present concept of public education in California. He claims: "It is a strange paradox, with our complete tradition of individual freedom, parents being forced to educate their children." He calls federal aid to education "a tool of tyranny." He favors charging tuitions at our state colleges and universities. He is critical of state support for local schools.

Here Are The Facts:

* California will receive \$372 million from the federal government this year to help build classrooms, buy textbooks, and pay our teachers. Take federal aid away and it would destroy the quality of public education or increase property taxes on the average home by at least 12%.

* Under Governor Brown, every young person in California who maintains good grades is guaranteed a tuition-free college or university education. Reagan's plan to charge tuition would inevitably lead to a higher and higher tuition that would slam the doors on all but the children of upper income families.

* Reagan's attacks on the University of California at Berkeley have been damaging, irresponsible, and unfounded. He is viciously attacking one of the world's great centers of learning; a campus that has more Nobel Prize winners on its faculty than any other university in the world. Just this year, the American Council of Educators voted the Berkeley campus the best balanced and finest institution of higher learning in America.

* In Governor Brown's current budget, 45% of all expenditures are for public education. Over the past seven and a half years, his administration has built three new campuses of the University of California and six new state colleges. Four more are now being planned.

The Facts Are Clear. Reagan's anti-education policies threaten the quality of elementary and high school education, and would destroy our concept of tuition-free higher education. The record proves that Governor Brown regards education as the most important responsibility of state government, and his new proposals in this area will improve a system of public education that is already the best in the nation.

WILL YOU HELP?

There is much work to be done in Governor Brown's campaign. If you are interested in working in the election, please contact Hester Lyons or Roseanne Powk at TH 5-9199 or TH 5-9098, or Barry Rucker or Lance Widman at TH 5-9549 for further information.

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