

# New Action/UFT

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## All out this Saturday March 28!

The set of Cuomo proposals being debated and discussed in Albany must be stopped. This Saturday we can show our strength in the street.

**Saturday at Noon – Rally to #ProtectOurSchools**  
**633 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave at 41<sup>st</sup> Street, in front of Cuomo’s midtown office**

Every chapter should aim for as large a turnout as possible.

But our fight will go further. We applaud the chapters and school communities that joined hands around their schools, plus those chapters that organized other actions. But many chapters have yet to be involved. We should continue the efforts to mobilize them.

And while the state budget will likely be done in a few days, the issues are not going away. We may stop 50% of our evaluation from being based on test scores, but 20% or 40% still will be, and the top Unity leadership supports this. That’s not right. Talk to your DR. E-mail our leaders. Tell them where you stand. We need to correct our union’s mistake: no part of a teacher evaluation should be based on test scores.

## Support the community at Bryant HS – Rally March 26

New Action Caucus/UFT urges you to join staff from Bryant HS and supporters:

Rally in support of William Cullen Bryant HS

Thursday, March 26, 2015 - 3:30 – 6:00 PM - 48-10 31st Ave - LIC, NY

Principal Namita Dwarka is an abusive administrator, and she must go!

*The rally is also supported by Solidarity Caucus. It has the support of the United Federation of Teachers Chapter at Bryant.*

## Abusive Administrators

With so many abusive and non-collaborative administrators, isn’t it time to reinstate the union’s Principals in Need of Improvement (PINI) program? Unity leadership ended the program, but we desperately need it restored and expanded to the literally hundreds of schools with problem administrators. If your school has abusive or non-collaborative administrators, let your DR know. E-mail the leadership, remind them that we need PINI back. And contact New Action/UFT.

## Support the Resolution to Protect Planned Parenthood

On March 10, 2015, New Action/UFT introduced a resolution denouncing the attacks on Planned Parenthood. Since the Republicans in the House and Senate have set their sights on defunding Planned Parenthood and have several bills in the Congress to completely get rid of the program it is important that the UFT use its influence to stop this and involve the AFT and NYSUT and publicize this fight among our members and our allies in labor and our allies in the community, at large.

The resolution is on tonight’s agenda – we urge you to support it.

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