

A Message from the Workers at Yale

Dear President Levin:

We are the union negotiating committees for Local 34 and Local 35.

The vast majority of the 4,000 members of our two unions do not believe that your current contract offer is a fair one. Your proposals on our major issues – pensions, wages (including retroactive pay) and job security – do not address our needs.

Therefore, we invite you to join us in a public debate before the August 27th strike deadline.

Since neither you nor any other high-level university officer joins Union decision-makers at the negotiating table, such an open public debate is essential.

Yale workers, the campus and the entire community deserve an open, public discussion of the issues separating your administration and Yale's employees.

You hold a Ph.D. in Economics. We are custodians, librarians, plumbers, secretaries, cooks, research assistants and other workers. Together we can engage in an open, honest and informed debate.

Such an open discussion befits Yale and New Haven much better than your misleading, expensive advertisements.

Give everyone in the Yale and New Haven communities the opportunity to decide for themselves what the truth is.

Sincerely,

**THE LOCAL 34 and
LOCAL 35 NEGOTIATING COMMITTEES**
Collective years at Yale: 577

