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Education Department workers say enough is enough on cuts

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On Tuesday, CPSU/CSA Delegates unanimously resolved to take industrial action because the government had failed to address their concerns about cuts to education.

Tomorrow more than a hundred education staff finish up under the voluntary targeted separation scheme. This significant headcount reduction is just the start.

CPSU/CSA members have unanimously condemned the decision to abolish positions within the Department of Education supporting public schools to deliver quality education to the children of Western Australia.

Department of Education staff directly impacted by the state government's cuts will take action on Thursday 1 February 2018 in support of public education.

Despite the Government's recent back flip on cuts to *School of the Air* and the *Gifted and Talented Programs*, there are still hundreds of jobs on the line. Jobs that provide valued services to schools or directly to students.

Branch Secretary Toni Walkington:

"We will be asking members take ongoing action in their workplaces and we will also be organising rolling actions across education sites in key electorates.

"We intend to communicate as widely as possible with the West Australian community most affected by these cuts what it means for schools and students.

"This is just the start of the proposed reductions and education workers will be sending a clear message that enough is enough.

Industrial Action will take place at 12pm Thursday, 1st February at Wellington Square

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