

L.A. UNIFIED AVOIDS MOST LAYOFFS

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Over 3,000 Los Angeles Unified School District teachers and employees received layoff notices on March 15th of this year. Only 682 of those are still slated to lose their jobs at the end of June. The biggest cost-cutting measure (totaling some \$140 million) is an agreement by the teachers' union to twelve unpaid furlough days over the next two years. The deal will shorten the L.A. Unified school year by five days in each of the next two years. District clerical staff still face about 1,000 layoffs in the coming year. A special parcel tax which would have raised about \$95 million per year for L.A. Unified went down in defeat on the June 8th primary ballot.

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