

CAFA stands in solidarity with NASA in its fight for a fair deal

January 19, 2026—In an overwhelming demonstration of support, 83% of the NAIT Academic Staff Association (NASA) – at 1,000 members, one of Alberta’s largest post-secondary faculty associations – have voted 83% in favour of a strike to secure a fair and sustainable collective agreement with the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT).

This strike follows a prolonged process of bargaining and mediation, where NASA’s well-founded requests for fair compensation, reasonable workloads and job security met repeated resistance from NAIT.

Our message to NAIT is simple: Do better!

CAFA urges NAIT to reconsider its intransigent negotiating stance and pay heed to the well-founded concerns of its faculty and academic staff.

It is time for NAIT’s Board of Governors and management to signal that they are serious about protecting the high-quality post-secondary education NAIT is known for, its 34,000 students and apprentices deserve, and Alberta’s industries and communities rely on.

About CAFA

The Confederation of Alberta Faculty Associations is a federation of the Athabasca University Faculty Association, Grant MacEwan University Faculty Association, Mount Royal University Faculty Association, and the University of Lethbridge Faculty Association which, together, represent 3,000 academic staff. CAFA is dedicated to advancing the quality of, and access to post-secondary education throughout Alberta and to protecting the well-being of Alberta universities and their academic staff.