[[NYU YDSA]] Tuition Strike Update

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Dear NYU Tuition Strikers and NYU YDSA Members,

After lengthy discussion and vote by chapter membership, we are disappointed to inform you of the NYU Tuition Strike's end. The Tuition Strike campaign began roughly 8 months ago. We wanted to build on the gains made uptown in Columbia's tuition strike and continue the organizing energy brought to NYU by the successful GSOC strike. Ultimately, we could not keep that ball rolling.

As we have said from the beginning, our campaign's success rested on reaching a critical mass of more than 5,000 strikers. As we feel we are not on track to reach that, striking now would entail more dangers than benefits. With that in mind, we humbly invite you to a meeting wherein we will discuss the Tuition Strike's shortcomings and account for ways to better campaign in the future. The link to that meeting, scheduled for Friday, Nov. 12th, will be forthcoming.

This is not the end of NYU YDSA's organizing. For now, our energy and manpower will be directly channeled into the ongoing Sunrise NYU Divest campaign. Divestment was at the core of the Tuition Strike's demands, and our personal desire and existential need to make changes at the university level have not changed in the slightest. Our organizing around the Tuition Strike has ended, but the theme of this struggle has not changed. That struggle will continue through Divest.

To this end, we want to invite you, this Friday, Nov. 5 at 12 p.m. in Washington Square Park to rally with YDSA and Sunrise for Divestment and climate justice.

We will be fighting as hard as ever to win the goals on NYU's campus to bring about a more just world for all. We have no shame in switching tactics when action does not bear fruit. We hope you will join us in supporting Sunrise NYU and Divestment: to fight for a world that our grandchildren can inherit, no matter what JP Morgan or Blackrock might say.

See you in Washington Square Park at noon on Friday!

Your Comrades, NYU YDSA