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SAITSA WELCOMES GOVERNMENT AFFORDABILITY MEASURES FOR STUDENTS, MORE SUPPORT REQUIRED

Calgary, Alberta (February 16, 2023) – Saitsa welcomes the measures announced today by the Minister of Advanced Education to bolster affordability for students, particularly low-income students.

“With inflation more than three times higher than its historical rate, any effort by the Government of Alberta to assist students with the high cost of living is appreciated. On behalf of Saitsa, I commend government for the actions taken today, and look forward to their speedy implementation in Budget 2023.”

- Aaron Ramos, President, Saitsa

While positive, Saitsa notes that the measures announced today do not reverse double-digit increases to tuition rates experienced over the last three school years or the cuts to the Campus Alberta grant. It is also notable that there are no measures to prevent dramatic increases to rates of tuition paid by international students, which form a substantial proportion of Saitsa’s membership.

Saitsa salutes the provincial government for its commitment to improving affordability, but urges additional investment in post-secondary education, rather than simply limiting cost increases to students over the medium-term.

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