



## NYPIRG APPLAUDS GOVERNOR'S PROPOSAL TO REDUCE PUBLIC COLLEGE COSTS

NYPIRG applauds Governor Cuomo's plan to reduce the cost of attending public colleges in New York. As we understand it, the plan would supplement existing financial aid programs – most notably the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) – and make the State and City Universities tuition-free for full-time students whose family incomes are less than \$125,000. While tuition is not the only cost associated with earning a college degree, expanding tuition assistance is a great step.

We have not seen the details of the plan, and in policymaking, the details are what matter most. We look forward to examining the Governor's plan and urge the State to continue curbing the rising costs of college in New York.