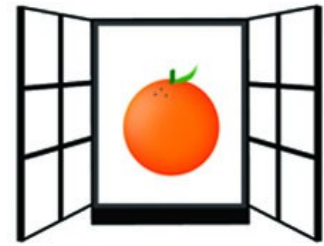


# THE GENERAL BODY

A united front of student organizations at  
Syracuse University



Dear Parents,

As you may have read in [Democracy Now](#), [The Chronicle of Higher Education](#), [Inside Higher Ed](#), [Syracuse.com](#), [TWC News](#), and the [Daily Orange](#), The General Body—a coalition of 50 student groups—has been sitting in Crouse-Hinds Hall since Monday. We will stay here until the Chancellor commits in writing to our demands for transparency, diversity, democratic decision-making, and inclusive institutional change. To make this happen, we need YOUR help!

We know your children’s safety, security, and well-being are of the utmost importance to you. We share these concerns. Yet recent campus actions have called into question the Administration’s commitment to a sexual violence-free campus; to recruitment, retention, and accessibility for students with marginalized identities; to sustainability efforts; and to transparency in executive decision-making.

Despite student protests held by literally dozens of student groups this fall, the administration’s lack of engagement with student demands has led to the current impasse. Student protesters care about the university and the direction in which it seems to be headed. Diversity, transparency and safety are important values that enrich any university. We invite you to learn more about our movement at [thegeneralbody.org](http://thegeneralbody.org), and read our [comprehensive list of demands](#).

**If these issues matter to you, we encourage you to contact the Syracuse University Parent Office by calling (315) 443-1200 or e-mailing them at [parents@syr.edu](mailto:parents@syr.edu).**

Sincerely,

THE General Body