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**Pinked slipped teacher to tell her story;  
Educators to discuss solutions to state budget crisis,  
Develop positions on May 19 Special Election**

On Friday, March 20, hundreds of educators, members of the California Federation of Teachers (CFT), will meet in their annual convention at the Sheraton Grand Hotel in Sacramento to address teacher and staff layoffs, cuts to school funding, responses to state budget cuts in local districts, and the May 19 special election.

Teacher, Allison Friedman, will tell her story about how receiving a pink slip will affect her and her family.

“Enormous reductions in programs serving the people of California will result from the budget cuts. Educators will be deeply affected in our ability to deliver a quality education to millions of students,” said CFT President Marty Hittelman.

- WHAT:** Educators’ News Conference and Convention
- WHEN:** Friday, March 20, 2009, 9:00 am
- WHO:** CFT President Marty Hittelman;  
Sue Westbrook, president of the CFT EC/K-12 Council and elementary teacher;  
Allison Friedman, a teacher who received a pink slip.
- WHERE:** Sheraton Grand, Durang Room  
1230 J Street, Sacramento

*To view the complete Convention schedule,  
visit the CFT website: [www.cft.org](http://www.cft.org)*

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