We, the educators/ESPs of Gopherville, believe our students deserve excellent schools with the resources they need to prepare them for successful lives and make our families and communities stronger.

Today, we begin the process to negotiate collectively for our 2019-2021 contract. We are calling on all decision makers, from Gov. Tim Walz to Rep. Sally Lawmaker, Rep. Steve Billdrafter and Sen. MargeLegislator, our local legislators, to the members of our locally elected school board, to provide the visionary funding our students need to succeed today and in the future. Specifically, we educators know our students need:

Smaller class sizes, more arts and electives, mental-health services, more counselors.

We call for these resources because our values as educators require that we speak up for all students and all families. We make these demands because we believe:

all Gopherville students deserve the best schools we can provide, staffed by well-trained, professional educators.

We stand united in proclaiming our intent on March 13, 2019, to negotiate collectively on behalf of our students.

Signed in solidarity today by: Gopherville Education Minnesota

#EdMNUnityDay