

WELCOME TO SPAN!

The Student Prison Activist Network links existing and newly forming student groups committed to fighting the prison industrial complex. Through the network, student groups engaged in prison activism can brainstorm and strategize, inspire and support, and participate in a nationwide movement against the criminal injustice system.

If you already have a prison action group on your campus, join the network now by adding your name to our e-list (go to www.prisonactivist.org/span) or contacting Yvonne Parker, PARC's Student Organizing Coordinator, at 510-893-4648, x107.

If not, start a prison action group. The enclosed CCO Student Organizing Guide includes essential student organizing tips and tactics that will jumpstart your organizing efforts. Further, we at PARC can provide ongoing support as your group develops. Don't forget to go www.prisonactivist.org/span and add your name to our e-list.

Here are three campaigns/action ideas to get you started:

- Prison Awareness Week and Quick Actions
- Sodexo-Marriott Boycott
- Mumia Abu-Jamal as Commencement Speaker

In addition, we have included in the Resources section a list of suggested videos and readings that provide an overview of the prison crisis and, in the Contacts section, a list of student groups currently working on prison and related issues, and organizations supporting student activism.

If you don't find what you're looking for within the pages of this guide, contact us at span@prisonactivist.org or call 510-893-4648 – we'll do what we can to get you the information you need.

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