Boycott Successful

The boycott of classes at UCSC, known by students as the "Alternate Education Project," is succeeding beyond their expectations, planners said today.

John Rickford, a sophomore at Stevenson College, said the project is not a boycott in the sense of being a "student strike."

Rather, he said, it is an effort to focus attention on problems that students believe are important and to dramatize a sense of urgency that students feel about the need for solutions, especially the establishment of Malcolm X College to teach the "Black Experience."

"For the first time," Rickford said, "everybody's talking about the issues. This isn't just a movement of a small radical group. This is generating widespread support among students at all four colleges."

Rickford and other planners also emphasized that the boycott is non-violent. There has been no violence reported, nor has there been physical disruption of the campus routine or occupation of buildings.

Similar comments were made by students at Merrill and Crown Colleges.

A tour of the campus, however, revealed

no significant change from the normal routine.

Students emphasized that many of the workshops planned today have been attended by larger than expected numbers. Other classes, they said, may be meeting in the normal place, but professors are at liberty to discuss campus issues rather than traditional subject matter.

However, at least some students disagree with the boycott and its aims and popularity.

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