

Community Information Bulletin

Labour Relations Update: OECTA Announces One-Day Full Withdrawal of Service

January 13, 2020

The Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association (OECTA) has announced that it will engage in a one-day full withdrawal of services on Tuesday, January 21.

If a tentative agreement with the Government of Ontario, the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association (OCSTA) and OECTA is not reached in advance, the DPCDSB will, out of an abundance of care for the safe supervision of students, close schools to students on that date.

Under the *School Boards Collective Bargaining Act*, the Trustee Association and Provincial Government negotiate at the Central (Provincial) level with the various Teacher Federations and Education Workers Union. The Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association represents DPCDSB (and all English Catholic district school boards) at Central (Provincial) Bargaining with the Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association and at the Education Workers Union tables.

We regret any disruption to student learning or inconvenience to families resulting from job action. We respect that the imposition of sanctions are a legal part of the collective bargaining process and please be assured that DPCDSB actions during any sanctions will focus on the safety and well-being of the students entrusted to our care.

We will continue to keep parents/guardians apprised of any updates through **Community Information Bulletins** sent to you by email. These bulletins will also be communicated through **Twitter** and posted on **the DPCDSB website** and **all school websites**.

If you have not registered an email address to receive information from your child(ren)'s school(s), we encourage you to do so. Similarly, we encourage you to follow us on Twitter at @DPCDSBSchools. Again, all information will be posted on the DPCDSB website. Check the **Labour Relations Update** tab at www.dpcdsb.org.

Thank you for your patience and understanding. We ask for your continued prayers for a timely and just resolution to this matter.

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