

March 7, 2025

Dear parents, families and guardians,

We are writing to provide an update on the ongoing labour action, as the CUPE Local 3550 strike continues.

We know that this strike has been disruptive and challenging for many families. We also want to acknowledge the incredible efforts of our teachers and administrators, who have gone above and beyond to support our students during this time.

Returning to the bargaining table

We will be returning to the bargaining table with CUPE Local 3550 next week on Tuesday, March 11, and Wednesday, March 12.

While we have been far apart on monetary items, we are hopeful that these sessions will provide an opportunity to have realistic conversations about the Division's fiscal realities and reach a mutually agreeable resolution.

We are committed to finding a solution that addresses the needs of valued support staff, while also ensuring we can continue to provide a high-quality education for students.

We recognize and deeply value the important work that support staff do in our schools every day. All support staff play a vital role in creating a positive and supportive learning environment for our students. We are committed to finding a resolution that honours their contributions and allows them to return to the work that drives us all: supporting students.

Keeping you informed

We understand that you are eager for updates on the negotiations. We will continue to keep you informed of any significant developments or new information as it becomes available.

Thank you again for your ongoing support.

Sincerely,



Darrel Robertson
Superintendent of Schools