



"Together We Learn"

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Re: Teacher Job Action

We have been informed by the British Columbia Teachers' Federation, that they will be engaged in a second round of rotating strikes and will be **withdrawing teaching services in the Central Okanagan School District on Monday, June 2nd**.

It is anticipated that schools and other district facilities will be picketed on June 2nd. It is also expected that all union personnel in our schools will once again be directed by their executives not to cross the picket lines. Should this occur, each school will have very limited or no teaching and support staff to supervise students.

While schools in our District will remain open on June 2nd, there will be limited administrative coverage, and no instruction will be offered. For safety reasons, parents are asked to keep children at home or make alternate arrangements for them on this date. It is also important to note that school buses will not be operating on Monday.

We anticipate that classes will be back in session on Tuesday, June 3rd, and school buses will operate on the same schedule that currently exists.

For those individuals who access community-based programs in our schools (i.e. Preschools, StrongStart Centres, after-school care programs and evening rentals), please note that these programs will not be operating on June 2nd. (School fields may still be accessed after normal school hours by user groups with rental agreements in place.) If you have questions regarding any of these programs, please contact the individual service provider.

Once again we recognize the challenges that are faced by families when schools are not in session, and we thank you for your patience during this difficult time. We continue to hope for a resolution to all of this as soon as possible.

For further updates please check the local media outlets and/or go to the school district website at www.sd23.bc.ca.

Sincerely,

Hugh Gloster
Superintendent of Schools