



Toronto District School Board

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We would like to provide you with an update on the current status of labour negotiations between the Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario (ETFO) and the Government of Ontario.

ETFO has formally given notice that it will **begin strike action on Monday, May 11, 2015**. While media reports suggest that this strike action will include a partial withdrawal of service (work-to-rule), ETFO has not indicated what it and its members intend to do.

Until further notice, all TDSB schools will remain open and programming will continue.

As we do not yet know what this strike action will include, it is important to know that in the event of a full strike by teachers (teachers do not report to work), it will be necessary for the TDSB to close all elementary and junior high schools to elementary students (Kindergarten to Grade 8), as we will not be able to operate a safe learning environment.

The safety and well-being of our students remains our top priority and we are committed to keeping you informed as more information becomes available.

We encourage all parents/guardians to monitor the TDSB website at www.tdsb.on.ca or follow us on Twitter at @TDSB for regular updates.

We remain hopeful that a mutually acceptable resolution can be reached without disruptions to the school day.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Donna Quan'.

Donna Quan
Director of Education



