



NEWS RELEASE

CUPE Begins Work-To-Rule Campaign at NCDSB Schools

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The Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) is in a legal strike position. As a Catholic school board, we respect collective bargaining and are hopeful that a freely negotiated agreement will be reached soon. We are not directly involved in central bargaining, however, the parties who are involved are working hard on our behalf to achieve an agreement. For the Northeastern Catholic District School Board our custodians, maintenance staff, secretaries, office clerks, educational assistants, child & youth workers and central ICT employees are members of CUPE.

CUPE is engaging in legal job action, which includes a partial withdrawal of some core services. This is sometimes part of the collective bargaining process.

The Northeastern Catholic District School Board is working diligently to minimize any impact on our students and school communities. However, employees represented by CUPE provide many important services within our schools and board, and despite our best efforts the withdrawal of these services will cause some disruption. We will not be able to completely eliminate all impacts.

Despite the impact of the withdrawal of services, we know that our schools will remain welcoming Christ centred environments. As always, the safety of our students and staff will be given priority and any changes implemented in response to CUPE's labour action will be considered through this lens.

The Northeastern Catholic District School Board appreciates your understanding and thanks you for your ongoing commitment to Catholic education. As circumstances in our schools change, every effort will be made to communicate with you.

Your continued prayers for a speedy and just resolution to this matter is appreciated.

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