



## SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

The purpose of this letter is to outline a communication strategy in the event of a strike.

As you are aware, the British Columbia Teachers' Federation (BCTF) and the British Columbia Public Schools Employers' Association (BCPSEA) have been involved in contract negotiations. Recently, the BCTF membership voted in favour of strike action. Strike action may take many forms including ceasing supervision, rotating job action, or a province-wide strike.

In the event of any form of strike action, parents will be notified of changes in school operating procedures as quickly as possible through newsletters, posted announcements on the front page of our district website ([www.sd57.bc.ca](http://www.sd57.bc.ca)), announcements on the front page of each school website, and through news releases to local radio and television stations.

More general information about teacher contract negotiations is also available at [www.bcpsea.bc.ca](http://www.bcpsea.bc.ca), the BC Public School Employers' Association website or at [www.bctf.ca](http://www.bctf.ca), the BC Teachers' Federation website.

Although schools in School District No. 57 will continue to be safe and good places to learn, you should not expect that it will be "business as usual" during any strike. For example, principals and other administrative staff will be performing some of the duties withdrawn by teachers and will be less available than usual. We ask for your understanding and patience.

Sincerely,

Brian Pepper  
Superintendent of Schools