



BRUCE-GREY CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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Dear Parents / Guardians:

As you may have heard, the Ontario English Catholic Teachers Association (OECTA) which represents the Elementary and Secondary Teachers in the Bruce-Grey Catholic District School Board will initiate job action on Monday, January 13, 2020 if a tentative agreement is not reached with the Province of Ontario.

At this time, the job action is administrative in nature and OECTA members (elementary and secondary teachers) will be refraining from activities such as preparing report cards (teachers will input marks on the report card but not comments), participating in EQAO-related activities, attending or participating in Ministry of Education initiatives, and not attend staff meetings, department / division meetings etc. The job action will continue until a tentative agreement is reached.

If a settlement is not reached and given the OECTA job action, our Secondary Schools will not be hosting the Grade 9 Math EQAO assessment at this time. The Board will await further direction from the Ministry with regards to a make-up test for semester 1 students.

Other than the administrative job actions listed above, our schools will be open and operate on their regular schedule. If there are any changes, you will receive communication from your Catholic School Principal. Also, please continue to monitor our website, "Labour Update" tab, for the most recent information. We will also be posting communication on our social media sites.

As always, we continue to pray for a negotiated settlement. Thank you for your continued support of Catholic Education.

Respectfully Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gary O'Donnell".

Gary O'Donnell
Director of Education

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