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**Important Update: ATA Strike Notice for October 6 – Classes Continuing**

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**To**

Dear ECSD Families,

The Alberta Teachers' Association has announced it will be delivering official strike notice later this week. **If no agreement is reached, job action will begin on Monday, October 6, 2025.** At this time, we don't know what form the job action will take. It could be a full strike, rotating strike, or work-to-rule.

**Classes will continue as usual in the days leading up to October 6. Students should attend school as they normally would.**

**What Families Need to Know**

We understand this news may be difficult for families. This possibility of job action has the potential to disrupt learning, impact routines, childcare, and work schedules.

Because the nature of the job action is not yet known, we encourage families to begin planning for alternate arrangements. If job action takes the form of a full strike, all classes will be cancelled, and students will not attend school in person or online. There will be no instruction, supervision, or extracurricular activities. This will also be the case if our schools are impacted in a rotating strike.

If your child attends a childcare program that rents space in an ECSD school, that program may still plan to operate during job action. Please check with your provider directly.

We want to acknowledge the essential role teachers and staff play in our schools. Their care, commitment, and daily contributions to students and families are deeply valued. Edmonton Catholic Schools respects the collective bargaining process and remains hopeful that an agreement can be reached without disruption to teaching and learning.

Teacher bargaining in Alberta takes place at the provincial level between the ATA and the Teachers' Employer Bargaining Association (TEBA). Edmonton Catholic Schools is not directly involved in this process.

**Next Steps and Staying Informed**

We will continue to share updates through email and our Labour Update webpage, [ecsd.net/labourupdate](https://ecsd.net/labourupdate). If you have any questions, please email [info@ecsd.net](mailto:info@ecsd.net).

As we move through this period of uncertainty, we recognize the potential impact on students, families, and staff. We remain committed to being people of hope, respect, and compassion, valuing every member of our ECSD community.

Sincerely,

Lynnette Anderson  
Chief Superintendent

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