



February 10, 2020

**SENT BY EMAIL**

To Presidents/Chairs of all Teacher Candidate Associations

Dear Teacher Candidate Leader:

Please find below the latest information on upcoming strike actions to be undertaken by Ontario teachers, in addition to sanctions already in place:

1. On Thursday, February 13, all 12,000 members of l'Association des enseignantes et des enseignants franco-ontariens (AEFO) across Ontario will be engaging in a one-day full withdrawal of services. The withdrawal is part of AEFO's Phase 3 strike action, announced on February 7, which will include a one-day full withdrawal of services every week.
2. On Thursday, February 13, teacher members of OSSTF employed by the Algoma, Superior-Greenstone, Greater Essex, Avon Maitland, Peel, Niagara, Limestone and Renfrew school boards will be engaging in a one-day full withdrawal of services. Additionally, support staff members of OSSTF employed by the Huron-Superior Catholic school board and at the schools listed in Appendix A in the Conseil scolaire de district du Grand Nord de l'Ontario, Conseil scolaire catholique Mon Avenir, Conseil scolaire Viamonde, Conseil scolaire des écoles publiques de l'Est de l'Ontario and Conseil scolaire des écoles catholiques de Centre-Est will also be engaging in a one-day full withdrawal of services.

We have written to the Deans of Education, asking them to ensure that teacher candidates at your institution are informed about the impending strike actions by AEFO and OSSTF members and that all are aware that there will be no practicum on February 13 in the schools where teachers are on strike. For schools where support staff workers are on strike, your Dean will need to check with the appropriate school boards to ascertain whether or not practicum may continue in those schools.

We would appreciate it if you would also assist in making sure that all teacher candidates at your institution are well apprised of the above.

Additionally, please keep in mind that teachers in all Affiliates – AEFO, ETFO, OECTA and OSSTF – continue to engage in ongoing work-to-rule actions. **Kindly remind teacher candidates that they should not volunteer to take on activities from which teachers in their placement schools have refrained.**

In an effort to avoid confusion about the many strike actions being undertaken this week, you will find on the following page a full summary of this week's strike actions by teachers that have impact on practicum placements.

## **Calendar of Strike Activity Impacting Practicum Placements for the Week of February 10 - 14, 2020**

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10

- One-day full withdrawal of services by ETFO members in Avon Maitland, Durham, Durham Catholic\* (designated childhood educators only), Halton, Hastings-Prince Edward, Lambton Kent, Rainbow, Thames Valley and Upper Grand school boards and the Campbell Children's School Authority.

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

- One-day full withdrawal of services by all 83,000 members of ETFO across Ontario.

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

- One-day full withdrawal of services by ETFO members in Algoma, Greater Essex, Limestone, Niagara, Renfrew County, Toronto, Toronto Catholic\* (designated early childhood educators only) and Waterloo school boards, Moosonee and Moose Factory District School Authorities and Bloorview, John McGivney Children's Centre, KidsAbility and Niagara Peninsula Children's Centre School Authorities.

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

- One-day full withdrawal of services by all 12,000 members of AEFO across Ontario.
- One-day full withdrawal of services by OSSTF teacher members in Algoma, Superior-Greenstone, Greater Essex, Avon Maitland, Peel, Niagara, Limestone and Renfrew school boards and by OSSTF support staff members in Huron-Superior Catholic school board\* and in select schools in the Conseil scolaire de district du Grand Nord de l'Ontario, Conseil scolaire catholique Mon Avenir, Conseil scolaire Viamonde, Conseil scolaire des écoles publiques de l'Est de l'Ontario and Conseil scolaire des écoles catholiques de Centre-Est (see Appendix A attached to this letter).\*

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

- One-day full withdrawal of services by ETFO members in Kawartha Pine Ridge, Near North and Rainy River school boards.

\* **NOTE: Faculties will need to check these boards to see if practicum may continue.**

If you require any additional information regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached by email at [lindy.amato@otffeo.on.ca](mailto:lindy.amato@otffeo.on.ca) and by phone at 1-800-268-7061 or 416-966-3424.

Sincerely,

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