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SENT BY EMAIL

To Presidents/Chairs of all Teacher Candidate Associations

Dear Teacher Candidate Leader:

We have received notification from the Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario (ETFO) that, in addition to the Phase 1 Work-To-Rule (WTR) Strike Protocol begun on November 26, 2019 and the Phase 2 WTR Strike Protocol begun on December 10, 2019, ETFO will be initiating Phases 3 and 4 of its WTR commencing on Monday, January 13, 2020.

It is our understanding from ETFO that these actions still do NOT include a withdrawal of associate teaching services. This means that teacher candidates engaged in practicum placements in public elementary schools across the province may continue to participate in practicum.

We have written to the Deans of Education, asking them to ensure that teacher candidates at your institution are informed about the escalated strike action by ETFO members. Teacher candidates should also be reminded not to volunteer to take on activities from which teachers in their placement schools have refrained. We would appreciate it if you would also assist in making sure that teacher candidates at your institution are well apprised of the situation. Full details of the Phase 3 and 4 WTR Strike Protocols can be found at:

<https://etfocb.ca/strike-protocol-work-to-rule-phases-34/>.

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 and by phone at 1-800-268-7061 or 416-966-3424.

Sincerely,

Lindy Amato

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cc: Deans of Education
OTF Teacher Education Liaison Committee Representatives
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