

Special President's Message

November 3, 2022

Public Statement and Q and A About CUPE Strike Action

Today the government and CUPE announced that talks have concluded without an agreement. As such, CUPE members will be off the job tomorrow, taking part in strike action that has now been legislated as illegal. Today we released this <u>public statement</u>, expressing our opposition to the government's passage of Bill 28, which violates the principles of collective bargaining and unilaterally imposes a contract on CUPE workers.

We know this will be a very difficult time for all principals and vice-principals, and that boards have decided on various plans for students in light of the strike (in class, remote synchronously or remote asynchronously). We encourage you to stay up-to-date with all board emails, direction and procedures that are being put in place to deal with this labour action.

To assist you with some questions you may have about your role during this time, we have developed this <u>Q and A</u>. However, it is important for you to follow any advice from your board, and to contact our PST department if you have any questions or concerns.