
Saanich Schools

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Important Information for Parents and Students,

The Saanich School District will be behind picket lines tomorrow Friday, June 13. Classes will not be in session and parents are advised to keep their children at home. This rotating strike day is certain.

As reported in the news, the BCTF has provided notice of Phase 3 strike action throughout the province to begin Tuesday, June 17. As well, teachers may be engaged in a 'study session' on Monday, June 16, meaning there will be no classes on that day either. Parents and students need to be aware that today Thursday, June 12 is very likely the last day of school for the 2013/14 school year. However, parents must check websites and news channels, in the event of a settlement between the parties that could take place on the weekend. If a settlement is reached, classes may be back in session on Monday or Tuesday.

Regardless of strike action, the Labour Relations Board has ruled that Provincial Examinations will take place. School based exams will not take place even if a settlement is reached. Those students who are writing a Provincial Exam will not be obstructed from entering the school. The LRB has also ruled that compilation and submission of final grades for grade 12 students will be required for June 20, 2014. As a result of this strike action most regular duties of teachers (other than those specified as essential services), including the preparation of report cards is considered to be struck work and will not be completed unless a resolution to the strike occurs prior to the end of the year.

A further order will be received later today regarding CUPE pertaining to support staff who assist with Provincial Exams and busing on those days. Please check the district website regularly.

Yours truly,



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