



## BRUCE-GREY CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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Wednesday, January 15, 2020

Dear Parents / Guardians:

The Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association (OECTA) have given notice that they will be engaging in a one-day strike on **Tuesday, January 21, 2020** if a labour agreement has not been reached. OECTA represents our elementary and secondary teachers in the Bruce-Grey Catholic District School Board.

In the event that a strike does take place, all classes will be cancelled and all BGCDSB schools will be closed to students **on January 21, 2020**. This cancellation affects all elementary schools and all secondary schools. Parents/guardians should make alternate arrangements for their children if required.

Other programs will be affected as follows:

- All sports and other extracurricular events are cancelled.
- All before and after school programs are cancelled.
- All co-op and Dual Credit classes are cancelled for the day.

Programs still running:

- All evening Community Use of Schools programs/events will run as scheduled.
- Daycare centres located at BGCDSB schools are open.

Those families dropping off and picking up at a daycare centre may encounter a picket line. You may be approached by an OECTA member picketing to share information for a few minutes and then you will be able to drop off your child. You will be provided with a card indicating that you are a daycare family at that time.

We fully understand the impact this has on families. These decisions were made in the interest of student and staff safety. We appreciate your patience and understanding at this time and we continue to pray for a negotiated settlement.

If there are any changes, you will receive communication from your Catholic School Principal. Also, please continue to monitor our website "Labour Update" tab for the most recent information. We will also be posting communication on our social media sites.

Respectfully Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gary O'Donnell".

Gary O'Donnell  
Director of Education

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*Let Your Light Shine*

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