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Dear Buffalo Trail Public Schools Parents and Guardians,

As you are aware, the Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA) announced that members voted against ratifying the tentative agreement with the Teachers' Employer Bargaining Association (TEBA). As a result, a full province-wide strike will begin **Monday, October 6, 2025, at 12:01 a.m.** This strike will apply to all school sites across the province of Alberta, including Buffalo Trail Public Schools.

This means all BTPS schools will be **closed to students starting Monday, October 6, until further notice.**

We understand the difficulties this brings for families and want you to know how much we value and care for our students, staff, families and the communities we serve. Your patience, understanding, and support mean so much during this time of uncertainty. While this strike is a province-wide action between the ATA and TEBA, our commitment at BTPS is to keep you informed and supported with timely updates as soon as new information becomes available.

As of Monday, October 6

- All classes will be cancelled. Students will not attend school in person or online.
- Families will need to make childcare arrangements in preparation for Monday, October 6.
- There will be no instruction, supervision, or extracurricular activities during the strike.
- Teachers, principals, and assistant principals are members of the ATA and will participate in the strike.
- Teachers will not be providing instruction, homework packages, or learning materials prior to or during the strike.
- Teachers, principals, and assistant principals will not be replying to emails during this time.
- There will be no transportation. Please do not send your children to the bus stop.
- Childcare programs that access space in BTPS schools may still operate. Please check directly with your provider.
- Central Office staff will continue to work and provide updates as more information becomes available.

At Buffalo Trail Public Schools, we deeply value our dedicated staff and the important role they play in the lives of students. We respect the bargaining process and remain hopeful that an agreement will be reached soon that supports students, staff, and families.

In the meantime, families can access resources and supports through the Government of Alberta at alberta.ca/parent-supports-during-school-closure.

Please continue to check your email and our [Labour Action Updates](#) webpage for the latest information.

Thank you for your continued trust, care, and support of our students, staff, and schools. We look forward to the day we can welcome everyone back to our classrooms.

Sincerely,



Michelle Webb
Superintendent