



May 8, 2015

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

The Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario (ETFO), the union that represents our elementary teachers, has given notice that public elementary school teachers across the province will initiate a legal job action beginning May 11, 2015. This job action will involve the withdrawal of some support for administrative activities and non-participation in EQAO testing, staff meetings, and professional development activities.

It is important to note that:

- o until further notice, all AMDSB schools will remain open and programming will continue; and,
- o school activities such as field trips, sports, extracurricular activities are expected to continue as planned.

As student safety remains the top priority for the Avon Maitland District School Board, board staff is committed to keeping you informed as more information becomes available. I encourage parents/guardians to monitor the AMDSB website at www.yourschools.ca, to follow us on Twitter @yourschools and our Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/AvonMaitlandSchools>. Updates will also be available through the local media.

It is important to note that Avon Maitland secondary students (grades 9 to 12) will not be affected by this job action.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Doherty', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ted Doherty
Director of Education and
Secretary of the Board