

East Central Alberta Catholic Separate School Division

Serving the Communities of Castor, Provost, Vermilion, Wainwright, Stettler

March 18, 2025

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are pleased to inform you that East Central Alberta Catholic Schools (ECACS) and CUPE Local 5352 will resume negotiations on March 31, 2025. We are excited to return to discussions and remain committed to reaching a fair and reasonable agreement that reflects the dedication and contributions of our valued support staff.

Our support staff, including Educational Assistants, Learning Commons Facilitators, School Office Staff, Computer Technicians, and Custodians play a vital role in fostering student success and wellbeing. Their hard work and commitment are essential in creating a positive and nurturing learning environment for all students.

At ECACS, we deeply appreciate the dedication of our support staff. You are integral to our mission —Together, we live our faith and engage in lifelong learning. Your contributions are invaluable in helping us fulfill our Catholic education vision: "Growing in Christ, Making a Difference!"

Thank you for your ongoing support and partnership in our school community. We will continue to keep you updated as negotiations progress.

Yours in Catholic Education

Jim Taplin Superintendent