

## Small Schools Make a Difference

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## NOTICE TO FAMILIES OF SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DSB STUDENTS – ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Dear Parent(s) and Guardian(s),

Superior-Greenstone District School Board has been informed that the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation (OSSTF and OSSTF-ESS) will be engaging in a <u>one-day full withdrawal of services on Wednesday</u>, <u>January 8, 2020</u>. Educational support staff and high school teachers <u>will not</u> be reporting to their workplaces on this day.

Educational Support Staff include the following: Educational Assistants, Secretaries, Attendance Counsellors, Child and Youth Workers, Information Technology staff, Office staff, Librarians, and Early Childhood Educators.

Ensuring safe learning environments for our students is a priority for SGDSB. This withdrawal of services causes significant impact to our schools, including our capacity for effective supervision at the Elementary panel.

## As a result, all Superior-Greenstone District School Board elementary and secondary schools will cancel classes for students on Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

OSSTF members will return to work on Thursday, January 9, 2020 and classes will resume for all students.

This withdrawal is in response to the continued labour negotiations that are occurring between OSSTF and the Ministry of Education. OSSTF has been engaging in rotating, one-day, full withdrawal of services throughout the province. On this date, SGDSB will be impacted.

Superior-Greenstone District School Board is committed to maintaining transparent communication with families throughout this job action. We will use School Messenger, our Facebook page and the SGDSB website to provide updates to families. Please don't hesitate to contact the school principal if you have questions or concerns.

Yours in education,

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