



Conseil des  
écoles publiques  
de l'Est de l'Ontario

## **Update: CUPE negotiations and transition to online learning on November 4, 2022**

Ottawa, November 1st, 2022

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE), which represents the administrative, technical, custodial and maintenance staff of the Conseil des écoles publiques de l'Est de l'Ontario (CEPEO), has announced its intention to launch a province-wide political protest beginning Friday, November 4, 2022. We need to be prepared for any eventuality.

If the protest is called, Friday November 4th will be used to prepare for synchronous distance education as well as face-to-face systemic classes. All synchronous classes will begin on Monday, November 7.

### **Transition to virtual learning mode**

- **Friday, November 4, 2022:** If the political event takes place, November 4 will be in asynchronous learning mode (learning activities placed in the *Google Classroom* of the class). Students and learners will need to stay home and will have access to asynchronous instruction via their teacher's *Google Classroom*.
- **Monday, November 7, 2022:** If the political protest continues, virtual mode instruction in a synchronous manner will be implemented on Monday, November 7. This means that instruction will be offered virtually, in real time with your child's teacher. Your child's teacher will contact you prior to the start of classes to send you all the login details.

### **Technology devices**

Your child's school principal will contact you to survey your child's device needs for further learning. Chromebooks will be issued to all students needing them by the end of the day on Thursday.

## **Special education classrooms**

As was the case during the pandemic, instruction for students with special needs enrolled in separate classes and programs at école Le Transit will continue in the classroom. Transportation will be provided. Classroom cleaning will be provided to ensure safety and cleanliness.

## **Child Care Services**

CEPEO and its partners' child care services will be closed as of Friday, November 4, 2022.

## **Report cards**

As school operations are affected, delays in the distribution of report cards are expected.

## **Attendance**

If your child will be absent, please report the absence preferably by email to the school's generic address.

## **Field trips and extracurricular activities**

Extracurricular activities and field trips scheduled as of November 4, 2022 will be rescheduled on a day-to-day basis. The responsible teacher or principal will notify you at the appropriate time.

## **ASPEN**

Support for ASPEN users will be affected during the dispute:

- Processing times for new student registrations will be affected;
- Processing times for high school parents who are experiencing difficulties accessing and navigating the Family Portal will be longer than usual.

We understand that this situation is inconvenient for your child and your family. I want to assure you that our staff will do everything possible to continue to provide your child with a caring and supportive learning environment. We will continue to keep you informed in a timely manner as the situation evolves.

I thank you for your trust.

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