



DISTRICT SEEKS PROGRESS AT BARGAINING TABLE

January 13, 2023

Kelowna, BC – Central Okanagan Public Schools is actively engaged in bargaining with CUPE Local 3523 to negotiate a renewed collective bargaining agreement under the Province of BC's Shared Recovery Mandate.

While CUPE Local 3523 advised the District on January 11 that a strike vote could take place as early as the weekend, a strike vote is neither a strike notice nor does it necessarily mean that the union will go on strike.

Central Okanagan Public Schools is hopeful that the parties can build on the progress already made at the bargaining table and reach an agreement. To date, the parties have met seven times since October 2022.

The parties have jointly agreed to apply for mediation services from the Labour Relations Board.

Central Okanagan Public Schools values the work of all employees and hopes to reach an agreement without strike action.

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