

**To:** ETFO Thames Valley Teacher Local Members  
**From:** Craig Smith, President, ETFO Thames Valley Teacher Local (ETFO TVTL)  
**Date:** October 4, 2024  
**Regarding:** **Weekly Update 5**

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## **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**

Accompanying this update is a link to the ETFO Statement on the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

## **World Teachers Day**

Accompanying this update is a link to the ETFO statement regarding World Teachers Day.

## **Supervision**

Teachers are reminded that supervision is hard capped at eighty (80) minutes in five (5) days and cannot be aggregated.

## **Preparation Time**

Teachers are reminded that preparation time is carved out of instructional time. It is to be used for professional purposes as determined by the Teacher, free of teaching, supervisory, or other assigned duties.

Preparation time is 240 minutes in a 5-day cycle. Preparation time cannot be aggregated.

## **Reorganization Staffing**

Reorganization Staffing was stopped on Wednesday October 2. The process is now complete.

## **Upcoming Events**

- Workplace Stewards' Meeting – October 16, 2024
- Pregnancy/Parental Workshop – October 23, 2024
- ETFO Provincial Member Engagement Meeting – October 29, 2024
- Retirement Planning Workshop – October 30, 2024
- New Teacher TPA Workshop – November 5, 2024
- Experienced Teacher TPA Workshop – November 6, 2024
- General Meeting – November 13, 2024

## **Communication Protocol**

Teachers are reminded that the **Communication Protocol** remains in effect, **from** Friday, October 4 at 6:00 p.m. **until** Sunday, October 6 at 6:00 p.m.

The Board's **Disconnecting from Work Employee Procedure** came into effect on Thursday, June 2 in compliance with the **Working for Workers Act, 2021**.

Violations of the **Communication Protocol** and the **TVDSB Disconnecting from Work Procedure** must be reported to the Local office immediately.

## **Duty of the Local**

- Defend the **Collective Agreement** and the rights of Teachers under it.
- Ensure that the provisions of the **Occupational Health and Safety Act** are enforced.
- Bring to the attention of TVDSB ongoing Teacher concerns, with the expectation that these concerns will be taken seriously and resolved quickly.
- Communicate with Teachers in a clear, concise, and timely manner

For more information regarding this *Communiqué* please contact the Local office by phone at 519-474-3150, or by email at [etfotvtl@etfothamesvalley.com](mailto:etfotvtl@etfothamesvalley.com)