

To: ETFO Thames Valley Teacher Local Members
From: Craig Smith, President, ETFO Thames Valley Teacher Local (ETFO TVTL)
Date: March 28, 2024
Regarding: **EQAO**

The administration of the EQAO Primary and Junior tests is mandated by the Education Quality and Accountability Office.

ETFO Provincial advises that:

- Teachers do not participate in voluntary online EQAO training and/or webinars unless release time is provided.
- Teachers do not participate in EQAO marking.

Teachers are further advised of the following:

- Preparation time will not be lost because of mandated EQAO activities as per the provisions of the Collective Agreement.
- The EQAO Primary and Junior tests must not result in increased supervision, in compliance with the provisions of the Collective Agreement.
- EQAO Primary and Junior tests will be administered within the instructional day.
- The completion of the EQAO questionnaire is voluntary for all Teachers, including those teaching grades 3 and 6.

ETFO Members are advised to contact the Local regarding violations of the EQAO Administration and Accommodation Guide, or of the Collective Agreement.

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