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Labour Day 2026 Workers Together: For Our Jobs, Our Rights, and Strong Public Education

To: Presidents and All Members

From: Gary Fenn, Interim Associate General Secretary – Professional Services

For Action

This Labour Day, OSSTF/FEESO members have an important opportunity to stand with workers across Ontario and show the strength of our collective voice. Under the Canadian Labour Congress' (CLC) theme, *Workers Together: For Our Jobs, Our Rights, and Strong Public Education*, our participation can connect the fight for good jobs and workers' rights with the defence of strong, publicly funded education.

As OSSTF/FEESO members continue bargaining with the government, showing up at local Labour Day events sends a powerful message: educators are united and we stand with the broader labour movement in defending good jobs, strong public services, and high-quality publicly funded education.

Solidarity has never been more important. Labour Day is a chance to show that when workers unite, we are stronger. By participating in local Labour Day parades, rallies, picnics, and community events, we can demonstrate our commitment to one another while connecting with families and community members about the importance of investing in public education and respecting the workers who make it possible.

We encourage all members to take part in the following ways:

- Attend your local Labour Day parade or labour council event.
- Wear **red and purple** to show your solidarity with OSSTF/FEESO, education affiliates, and the labour movement.
- Hand out “*Together for Publicly Funded Education*” lawn and window signs at any events with members and the public.
- Bring family, friends, and colleagues to help amplify our collective voice.
- Engage with community members about the value of publicly funded education and the importance of fair bargaining for education workers.
- Share your participation on social media to help build momentum and highlight the strength of our union.

Whether you're marching, volunteering at a booth, or participating in community activities, your presence matters. Every conversation, every sign, and every member wearing red and purple helps reinforce that educators are united and that our communities benefit when workers' rights and public education are protected.

An OSSTF/FEESO Dropbox of materials for parades, community outreach, tabling, and other Labour Day activities is available in the [Action Resources Dropbox](#). Please continue to check this Dropbox for updated times and locations for events as they are made available by the CLC.

For additional information or support, please contact **OSSTF/FEESO Provincial Community Organizer, Allison Cillis** (Allison.Cillis@osstf.ca).

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