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We want to share an important update regarding current developments involving the Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA).

We have received confirmation the ATA has filed an application with the Alberta Labour Relations Board for a supervised strike vote to take place from June 5-8.

It is important to note that the ATA is bargaining at the provincial level with the Teacher Employer Bargaining Association (TEBA) — a body that includes representatives from the Alberta government and all school divisions. **Local school divisions such as Red Deer Public Schools are not directly involved in this phase of negotiations.**

Should this vote be successful, it will be valid for 120 days. The ATA would need to provide 72 hour notice for any job action to take place. This means that regardless of the outcome of this vote, teachers will remain on the job until at least June 11, and your child will continue to go to school until otherwise directed.

In the event of job action, Red Deer Public will act in accordance with provincial directives. We understand there are many questions regarding graduations, diploma exams, provincial achievement tests, year end field trips, etc. There are too many possible situations to provide answers at this time. We are actively planning for various possibilities and will continue to follow provincial guidance throughout this process. You can expect regular updates from us as we receive more information.

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