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Update for Local presidents – please share with CUPE local members

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To: Local Presidents and Executives, Bargaining Committees and Membership

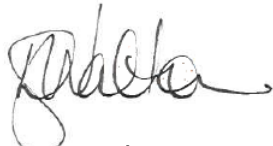
Today your bargaining team completed an additional two days of negotiations. Our work was supported by the conciliation officer assigned to our file, Erinn White.

We have provided a full response to the employer's recent pass to us. In our document, we were clear that we will not bargain concessions and that their recent pass was punitive and demoralizing.

It is our plan to return to the table on August 20 and 21 with the continued support of the conciliation officer from the Ministry of Labour. Our bargaining will remain focused on the importance of high-quality services for Ontario students, the role our members play in delivering those services, and their deep importance to students' ability to succeed and thrive in Ontario's system of public education.

We continue to focus on mobilizing our members across the province. To this end, we have recently sent to presidents the link to [CUPE/OSBCU Strike Pay Application 2019](#). We encourage all members to complete this application and submit their details as soon as possible. We are also working on confirming strike vote dates with locals throughout Ontario.

In Solidarity,



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