

October 3, 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA) has issued formal notice of strike action beginning at **12:01 a.m. on Monday, October 6, 2025**. This notice, distributed to school boards by the Teachers' Employer Bargaining Association (TEBA), is the only formal notification required for a full provincial strike to proceed.

At this time, TEBA has advised that there is no indication the strike will be averted, delayed, or amended. As such, all STAR Catholic schools will be **closed to students starting Monday, October 6, 2025**, until further notice.

We understand this situation creates challenges for families, students, and staff, and we remain committed to keeping you informed. Any changes or updates over the weekend will be shared immediately through our regular communication channels.

Please look for updates from us via email or on the <u>labour updates page</u> on our website.

On a personal note, Senior Administration has been visiting schools over the last couple of days. The overwhelming sentiment from teachers is that they are saddened for their students and will miss them dearly. This is the heart and soul of education, and the wonderful people caring for and educating your children every day. We are blessed at STAR.

Thank you for your patience, prayers, and support during this challenging time.

Sincerely, Laurie Kardynal

Superintendent - CEO

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