

To: ETFO Thames Valley Teacher Local Members
From: Craig Smith, President, ETFO Thames Valley Teacher Local (ETFO TVTL)
Date: May 9, 2025
Regarding: **Weekly Update 31**

Education Week

Accompanying this update is a link to the ETFO Provincial message regarding Education Week.

ETFO Public Campaigns - Focus Group Calls

ETFO is conducting focus group research regarding public campaigns. As per regular practice, this research includes ETFO members. A random and relatively small number of members will get a phone call starting Monday morning. The recruitment is being conducted by **OnPoint Research**.

Members who have any questions should contact Izida Zorde (izorde@etfo.org) at the ETFO Provincial Office.

Understanding and Responding to US Tariffs

Accompanying this update is a link to the ETFO Provincial resource regarding the understanding of and response to US tariffs.

Upcoming Events

- Workplace Stewards' Meeting – May 21, 2025
- ETFO Golf Tournament – May 24, 2025
- London Majors Baseball Game – June 20, 2025

Communication Protocol

Teachers are reminded that the **Communication Protocol** remains in effect, **from** Friday, May 9 at 6:00 p.m. **until** Sunday, May 11 at 6:00 p.m.

The Board's **Disconnecting from Work Employee Procedure** came into effect on Thursday, June 2 in compliance with the **Working for Workers Act, 2021**.

Violations of the **Communication Protocol** and the **TVDSB Disconnecting from Work Procedure** must be reported to the Local office immediately.

Duty of the Local

- Defend the **Collective Agreement** and the rights of Teachers under it.
- Ensure that the provisions of the **Occupational Health and Safety Act** are enforced.
- Bring to the attention of TVDSB ongoing Teacher concerns, with the expectation that these concerns will be taken seriously and resolved quickly.
- Communicate with Teachers in a clear, concise, and timely manner

Happy Mother's Day to all. Enjoy the weekend.

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