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K-12 Bargaining continues into the Fall

BURNABY – On June 10, representatives of CUPE’s BC K-12 Presidents’ Council Provincial Bargaining Committee began provincial discussions with the BC Public School Employers’ Association. Bargaining continued throughout the summer with four meetings and four more dates set for early fall. The two parties will meet again on September 26 & 27 as well as October 4 & 5.

At the most recent meeting on August 30, CUPE continued to present information about recognition and respect for Education Assistants as well as key issues around job security and improved wages and benefits. In addition, CUPE representatives identified a number of priorities that will improve the Public Education Benefits Trust, including stable provincial funding to help members on Long Term Disability get back to work sooner or provide more early intervention measures.

CUPE is also working closely with the BC Teachers’ Federation, both locally and provincially, to ensure strong coordination with respect to BCTF job action. Should any concerns arise with respect to BCTF/CUPE work assignments, please contact your CUPE local.