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Dear Good Spirit School Division Families and Staff,

The Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation (STF) has announced that on **Wednesday, February 28, 2024**, there will be a one-day (24-hour period) rotating withdrawal of all extracurricular activities, including before school, during the lunch hour, after school and the evening, for STF members in select divisions. Good Spirit School Division is upon the select school divisions that will be affected by this action on Wednesday, February 28, 2024. This job action is part of the collective bargaining process.

This job action is in addition to the previously announced withdrawal of extracurricular activities on Monday, February 26, 2024, which means there will be no extracurricular activities for GSSD schools on both Monday, February 26, and Wednesday, February 28, 2024. These both are one-day withdrawals. Extracurricular activities will run as normal on Tuesday, February 27, 2024.

What this means for GSSD schools on Wednesday, February 28, 2024:

- Before and after-school programs offered by external agencies will still run.
- Before and after-school supervision provided by STF members will still be in place.
- Withdrawal of all extracurricular activities: On Wednesday, February 28, 2024, all students and families should be prepared for a one-day pause in extracurricular activities. This includes any sports, clubs, music and arts programs, and any special interest groups that usually meet before school, during lunch breaks, after school, or in the evening.
- Noon-hour supervision will still be provided by STF members.
- All curricular activities and trips planned for during school hours will still run.

Understanding GSSD's Position:

- GSSD's Role: It is important to clarify that Good Spirit School Division is not part of the provincial bargaining process.
- Support for Collective Bargaining: We respect and support the rights of teachers in the collective bargaining process. This is an essential aspect of our educational system, ensuring that the needs and rights of educators are represented.

The safety and well-being of our students are always our top priority. We appreciate your support and collaboration in these efforts. Should you have any questions or need further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact your child's school. Thank you for your understanding and assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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