



## Teachers Bargaining Unit CPAC Report – September 20, 2019

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#### Collective Bargaining Bulletins (Current)

- Bargaining Bulletin #10 - Update on Central Table Bargaining (September 11, 2019)
- Bargaining Bulletin #9 - Update on Central Table Bargaining (September 6, 2019)
- Bargaining Bulletin #8 - Update on Central Table Bargaining (August 22, 2019)
- Bargaining Bulletin #7 - Update on Central Table Bargaining (July 15, 2019)
- Bargaining Bulletin #6 - Update on Central Table Bargaining (June 21, 2019)
- Bargaining Bulletin #5 - Update on Central Table Bargaining (June 5, 2019)
- Bargaining Bulletin #4 - Update on TriOT Central Table Scope Dispute Resolution Proposal (June 5, 2019)
- Issue 4 attach - OPSBA\_Crown Joint Response 05\_2019\_29
- Issue 4 attach - Response to OPSBA and Crown
- Bargaining Bulletin #3 - Update on Bargaining at Central Tables (May 24, 2019)
- Bargaining Bulletin #2 - Central Table Meeting on May 13 (May 13, 2019)
- Bargaining Bulletin #1 - Starting the Bargaining Process (May 7, 2019)

#### Collective Bargaining Bulletins (2014-2017)

### Communication/Political Action Committee (CPAC) Regionals

The Communication/Political Action Committee (CPAC) regional meetings are an opportunity for Districts and Bargaining Unit communications/political action officers to meet and build on the skills that they have developed from past regional and provincial conferences. For those newer to the role of C/PA officer, it is a chance to develop networks within their regional area. Workshops will be held November 1-2.

### 6 Ways Doug Ford Has Changed Classrooms for 2019 – quick talking points

New Sex Ed Curriculum  
OSAP Cuts  
Student Choice Initiative

Larger Class Sizes  
Fewer Elective Selections  
Cell Phone Ban

### Orange Shirt Day – September 20, 2019

Orange Shirt Day is a legacy of the St. Joseph Mission residential school commemoration event held in Williams Lake, BC, Canada, which was first held in the spring of 2013. It grew out of an account by a former First Nations student who had her orange shirt taken away on her first day of school at the Mission, and has evolved into an opportunity to keep the discussion on all aspects of residential schools going on an annual basis. The end of September was selected as the date of recognition, as it represented the time of year when First Nations, Métis and Inuit children were taken away from their homes to be placed in residential schools. This year, Orange Shirt Day falls on a Monday. On that day, members are encouraged to talk to fellow staff and students about the legacy of the residential school system, as well as how we can all work together in the spirit of reconciliation and hope for generations of children to come.

### Harvey on TVO – The Agenda

The education file has proven to be a tough one for the Ontario PC government, and it doesn't appear to be getting any easier as the province and unions prepare to head to the bargaining table. The Agenda welcomes Harvey Bishchof, president of the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation, to discuss what's at stake for teachers, the government, and ultimately students.



## Class Size Consultation – Remember this?

The Ford Government is *not* being transparent when it comes to recent consultations on



education. Numerous groups (Parents for Public Education, Scarborough Families for Public Education, and West End Parents for Public Education) have all filed freedom of information requests after the ministry of education said “After careful review, the Ministry has determined the records must be withheld.” More than 6500 submissions were received.



## NEW STUDY – Violence in Schools

A study from the University of Ottawa suggests a sharp increase in violence teachers face while working in schools (mainly elementary). 1600 educators were surveyed during the 2017/2018 school year. A survey conducted in 2005 showed 7% of teachers experiencing bullying over their careers compared to 54% of respondent's experienced physical violence in the most recent survey. 72% reported explicit verbal insults, while 41% saying they had similar encounters with parents. Read the full article at <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/elementary-school-violence-1.5278838>

## Other headlines

- [Doug Ford's Gas Station Stickers Are Facing A Court Battle & Ontarians Are Loving It](#)
- [How OSAP Changes Will Affect Ontario Students In 2019](#)
- [A Year Ago, Doug Ford Asked Us To Follow The Money. Guess What It Shows Us.](#)
- [Brad Blair, ex-OPP officer, files \\$15M lawsuit and calls for public inquiry](#)
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Our activity on our social media accounts have been incredible. Many district and bargaining unit social media accounts have also seen a significant increase in activity. Keep sharing our message so that our members and the public stay informed about the cuts to education by the Ford government. Also, follow our President [Harvey Bischof](#) on Twitter!

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