## Four more CUPE locals release strike vote results

Yesterday, CUPE Locals 1418 (rehab & therapy), 1251 (Institutional services), 1253 (school district unions) and 2745 (school support staff) counted their strike vote ballots. Here are the results:

- CUPE Local 1418:
- 1,106 members voted, 92% voted yes 779 members voted, 98% voted yes
- CUPE Local 1251: 779 members voted, 98% vo
- CUPE Local 1253: 2,747 members voted, 97% voted yes
- CUPE Local 2745: 4,479 members voted, 91% voted yes

This is the second round of results following the announcements from Local 1840, 1866 and 5017 last week. With 7 out of 10 locals reporting their strike vote results. Individual members are speaking loudly, and they are saying they've had enough, and they need collective action for change. With this strong mandate from our members, in an effort of doing everything we can to avoid a strike, the centralized bargaining team has asked Premier Higgs to get back to the table.

In addition to a real wage increase and fair contracts, CUPE members are seeking resolutions to the province's broken systems which are impacting public services across the province.

While we wait for the Premier's response, additional Locals will hold strike votes and counts.

**Local 1252** (Healthcare) will hold their strike votes between Thursday, September 23 and Saturday, September 25. Vote count will be held September 27. Strike vote notices have information about location.

**Local 5026** (Collèges communautaires du N.-B.) will hold their strike votes in the parking lots of the colleges on Wednesday, September 29. Vote count will be held on October 1.

**Local 1190** (General Labour & Trades) will hold their strike votes in the coming weeks. Keep an eye on notices in your workplace and on the CUPE Local 1190 Facebook page.

Continued strong participation in strike votes is ensuring your voice is being heard.

In solidarity,

The CUPE Centralized Bargaining Team

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