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Dear Parents/Guardians, and Students

As of today, the Government and the BCTF have not yet reached a negotiated settlement. We continue to hope for a deal to be reached at the table.

I am writing today to provide year-end information for parents and students.

Please continue to check our website for information and updates.

Provincial Exams

On June 24, the Ministry of Education notified districts of the elimination of some of the written essay portions of English 10, Sciences Humaines 11 and Social Studies 11 provincial exams. The exams will now be marked and entered into students' records. Grade 12 exams were completed and have been forwarded to the Ministry of Education for marking. Students should receive notification of their marks through the usual Ministry of Education secure site.

Report Cards

Our schools typically communicate final marks to students and parents at the end of each school year. This year we will not be able to produce a typical report in all cases. Principals will provide report card information which was submitted prior to the strike/lockout. Report cards will be mailed on Friday, July 4, 2014.

- Elementary and Middle school principals will be providing each parent/guardian with a letter regarding reports. Please contact the school principal should you have further questions.
- At the Grade 9 level students will receive a report card. Where assessment information is available, it will be provided to parents. Students may be assigned a NM (no mark) where the assessment information was not available due to the strike/lockout.
- Grade 10 to 12 students will receive a report card with final grades only

Summer Learning

The BCTF has indicated that without a collective agreement in place the strike will continue into the summer. If this is the case we would not be able to offer our summer learning program. If an agreement has not been reached by July 3 we will make an announcement cancelling our summer

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program. If an agreement is reached we will begin Summer Learning instruction on July 7. We will post information on our district web site and will email all registered students with information at that time.

I would like to thank our entire community for their patience during these difficult times. The professional staff in this district are committed to providing all our students with the best learning situation possible and are looking forward to continued collaborative efforts once the collective agreement is reached. It would be our intention to come back in the fall with the enthusiasm and passion that is part of our culture.

Best wishes for a terrific summer.

For more information about the strike and lockout, please refer to the following websites:

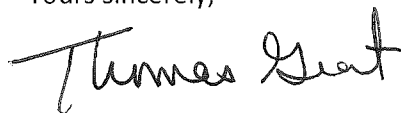
Coquitlam Teachers' Association (CTA) www.coquitlamteachers.com

British Columbia Teachers' Federation (BCTF) www.bctf.ca

BC Public Employees Association (BCPSEA) www.bcpsea.bc.ca

BC Ministry of Education www.gov.bc.ca

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas Grant". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Thomas Grant
Superintendent of Schools
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 43 (COQUITLAM)