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Dear Prairie Spirit families:

The Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation (STF) has announced the withdrawal of all voluntary services across the province **starting on Monday, April 8, and until further notice.**

This form of job action is often referred to as "work-to-rule." This includes a restricted teacher workday and the withdrawal of noon-hour supervision, extra-curricular activities and other voluntary services.

- **Restricted workday until further notice**

Teachers will only be available for student supervision 15 minutes prior to the start of class in the morning. School doors will remain locked until this point in time. Please ensure your child does not arrive at the school prior to doors being unlocked and supervision being available.

- This may impact some urban bus routes. Students will not be dropped off at the school prior to the 15 minutes when supervision is available. Prairie Spirit's Transportation Department or the bus driver will contact any families that this may impact.

- **Withdrawal of noon-hour supervision until further notice**

Prairie Spirit schools will follow a compressed school day with early dismissal in response to the withdrawal of noon-hour supervision next week. Your school will provide details about this schedule. You can anticipate that the schedule will be the same or very similar to past withdrawal of noon-hour supervision days.

- **Withdrawal of all extra-curricular activities until further notice**

This withdrawal includes all extra-curricular activities before school, during the lunch hour, after school and the evening.

Prairie Spirit will provide any further teacher job action updates to families via email and text as soon as they become available. Information will be posted on the Prairie Spirit website: [www.spiritsd.ca/update](http://www.spiritsd.ca/update) and on the Division's social media channels.

Please see an overview of the upcoming week on the next page.

| Prairie Spirit Week Overview |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| Monday, April 8              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Withdrawal of voluntary services –               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Compressed day and early dismissal</li> <li>○ No extra-curricular activities</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| Tuesday, April 9             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Withdrawal of voluntary services –               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Compressed day and early dismissal</li> <li>○ No extra-curricular activities</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| Wednesday, April 10          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Withdrawal of voluntary services –               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Compressed day and early dismissal</li> <li>○ No extra-curricular activities</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| Thursday, April 11           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Withdrawal of voluntary services –               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Compressed day and early dismissal</li> <li>○ No extra-curricular activities</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| Friday, April 12             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Withdrawal of voluntary services –               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Compressed day and early dismissal</li> <li>○ No extra-curricular activities</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |

### Solar Eclipse - Monday, April 8

The Government of Canada has issued a very important message regarding the solar eclipse:

“Looking directly at the sun, without appropriate protection, can lead to serious problems such as partial or complete loss of sight.”

On Monday, April 8, the solar eclipse will impact Saskatchewan with a partial eclipse between the time of 11:51 to 12:52. To learn more about the rare celestial event or to safely watch the eclipse livestream, please see:

- [Total solar eclipse of April 8, 2024 | Canadian Space Agency \(asc-csa.gc.ca\)](https://www.asc-csa.gc.ca/eng/total-solar-eclipse-2024.aspx)
- [LIVE Stream: Total Solar Eclipse April 2024 \(timeanddate.com\)](https://www.timeanddate.com/solar/eclipse/2024-04-08/)

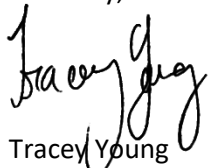
Please speak to your child about these safety concerns.

- Do NOT look at the solar eclipse with naked eyes. During an eclipse, the sun appears dimmed and becomes easier to look at, while light from the portion of the sun that is unclipsed is dangerous to your eyes. It is never safe to look at the sun (even during an eclipse) unless special equipment is utilized.

Prairie Spirit staff will also be having these safety conversations with students on Monday morning in preparation for this event.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Sincerely,



Tracey Young  
Director of Education

# Prairie Spirit Week Overview April 8 - 12

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- Withdrawal of noon-hour supervision - compressed school day + early dismissal
- No extra-curricular activities

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- No extra-curricular activities

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- Withdrawal of noon-hour supervision - compressed school day + early dismissal
- No extra-curricular activities

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