

Dear GPS Parents,

You are most likely aware that many Gilbert Public Schools teachers and staff have been participating in statewide efforts to increase awareness for teacher and staff salaries and the need for additional public education funding.

Staff efforts have been independently organized on their own time and have included peaceful walk-ins to schools each Wednesday morning. We respect our staff in their efforts and appreciate that their actions have been non-disruptive of the instructional day.

We are writing to you today to ensure you are aware of potential teacher walk-outs across Arizona. At the time of writing this, no decision has been made and no date has been set by the organizers. However, as a district we are proactively working to determine the potential impact on school operations. We are planning for all potential scenarios in order to minimize any potential disruption to your child's education.

Please be aware that In the event of a work stoppage it is possible that schools will need to close. Be assured that we will do everything we can to provide you with as much advance notice as possible. We will use our School Messenger email and text system to get up to date information to you during this time. Please ensure that your phone number and email address are current in our student information system. If you are not currently opted in to receive text messages please click here on the link below to learn how you can opt-in to our School Messenger Text Alerts.

During this period of statewide action we greatly appreciate your continued support of our schools.

Sincerely,

Mr. Shane McCord
Superintendent
Gilbert Public Schools