

**Read this on Wednesday. Bring it with you on Thursday.**

**WE ARE FIGHTING FOR THE FUTURE OF SHORELINE SCHOOLS!**

**PLANS AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR THURSDAY'S STRIKE**

**7 am to 7:30 am:** Picketing preparation at all sites: Arriving, sign in, final sign-making...

**7:30 to 9:45 am:** Picketing

**9:45 am to 10:00 am:** Picket Captain calls a meeting to review day's plans and distribute flyers.

**10:00 am to noon:** Pair up (SEA and SESPAs together, as possible) and go door-to-door with flyers to talk to residents. Ask them to contact the Supt and School Board members.

**Noon-1:00 pm:** Lunch at Shoreline Community Church (see below).

**Approximately 1:00 pm:** Rally and informational picketing at Shoreline Center

1. **We are on strike on Thursday, Sept. 27.** We are not working in any capacity at any time on Thursday. (Coaches—who are covered under a different collective bargaining agreement---may coach after school hours if they wish.) Your family is welcome to join you for the entire day. Part-time employees are encouraged to participate the entire day.
2. **Dress for the weather.** We will be outside all day. Wear comfy walking shoes. Bring rain clothes, hat, umbrella ...
3. **Picketing will begin at 7:30 am sharp at all schools.** Go to your regular school. **Picket captains will arrive at 7:00 am, so please arrive between 7:00 and 7:30 am.** Report to your picket captain, sign in, and get your instructions on where to picket. If you have not made a sign by Thursday, do so between 7:00 and 7:30 am.
4. **Do NOT park on school property.** The school parking lot is off-limits, as it is behind our picket lines. Park elsewhere. Carpooling is a good option.
5. **Lock your desk and other storage areas.** Take your laptop computer home. Take any precious personal belongings home.
6. Your picket captain will organize a meeting at about 9:45 am to review the plans for the entire day with you. **Please picket until your picket captain asks you to stop and meet.**
7. **Be proud! We are fighting for the future of Shoreline Schools!**

**On the picket line:**

- Be polite to all. Explain to parents why we are on strike. Your picket captain has flyers you can give them.

MORE ON REVERSE SIDE!

- Please do not leave the picket line without the ok from the picket captain. Let them know if you need a break.
- Be friendly to reporters. If a reporter attempts to interview you, simply say how you feel, and what you know. Don't speak for the Association or make policy statements.

**Doorbellling from 10:00 am to noon:**

Our purpose is to raise our community awareness of the administration's ongoing mismanagement, and to enlist their active support by calling the Supt. and School Board. You will receive 30-35 flyers and a map designating where you and your partner will go door-to-door. **With your partner, drive (in one car) or walk together to the area designated on your map.**

- You can go to the doors with your partner, or you can divide up your mapped area with your partner and meet back at the car. It's your choice. If you split up, share cell phone #s.
- If there are not sidewalks, be careful walking on the street.
- Ring the bell or knock on the door loudly a couple of times. Then, stand a couple of feet back from the door so residents can see you. Smile while you wait for the door to open.
- If there is no answer, leave the flyer in a visible spot...perhaps under the door, sticking out above the door handle, or sticking out from a screen. Do not leave it in the mailbox. **If you wish, sign the flyer. They are more likely to read it.**
- Don't spend much time at any one door. Don't argue. Talk to more people instead.
- Talking points/script: Smile and relax. Introduce yourselves by name, and tell them what you do and where. This will put them at ease and get their full attention, as educators are well-respected in this community. Don't hand them the flyer until later in the conversation.

"I'm \_\_\_\_, and this is \_\_\_\_\_. We're \_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_ school. We love our work with kids, and we're here to ask for your help. The Shoreline Schools administration is continuing their ongoing mismanagement of our schools. Their latest decision harms students and our schools. It's now nearly a month into school, and they are moving students into over-crowded classrooms instead of providing overload assistance. As educators, we know that this is educationally unsound.

(Hand them a flyer.) Here is some information about this critical situation. If you're willing to help, we'd appreciate it if you'd call the Supt. and School Board, and ask them to provide the overload assistance our students need. Here are their phone numbers and email addresses. Can I answer any questions you have? Thanks!"

**Noon to 1 PM: Lunch.** Lunch will be provided by SEA and SESPA at the **SHORELINE COMMUNITY CHURCH**, directly across from the southeast part of the Shoreline Center, at the corner of First Ave NE and NE 185<sup>th</sup> street. **Park anywhere, including Shoreline Center.** There is not room for all of us to relax inside. Eat and join the picketing across the street.

**Approximately 1 PM: Rally and informational picketing in front of Shoreline Center.**