

Dear Students:

I wanted to provide you with a status update on the province-wide faculty strike.

Unfortunately, a settlement has not yet been reached between the bargaining teams representing faculty and Ontario's 24 colleges. All Mohawk College full-time, apprenticeship and in-person continuing education courses remain postponed. All quizzes, assignments, tests and exams in these courses continue to be on hold. Due dates will be rescheduled once classes resume and no tests or exams will be held on your first day back to class. As was mentioned in my previous message, some classes in collaborative programs with McMaster may be continuing and all the required tests and exams in courses taught by McMaster faculty need to be completed as planned. For students continuing in cooperative education, clinical, field or any other work placement, there may be documents or materials that need to be submitted for that course only. For any specific details or questions related to a specific course or program, please contact your Associate Dean.

Apprenticeship courses scheduled to start next week are also on hold. Start and end dates will be pushed back and depending on the duration of the strike, some evening and weekend apprenticeship classes may be held.

When a settlement is reached and the strike ends, we will immediately notify you by email, through our website and on social media. You can also register for text message alerts through Mohawk's Security Alert Messenger Service. Once we have confirmation that the strike is over, it will take a day or two of planning before normal classes resume.

For students who made work or travel plans prior to the start of the strike on Oct. 16 every attempt will be made to accommodate you without academic penalty. Should this apply to you, please contact the Associate Dean for your program to discuss your specific situation. I can assure you that once the strike is over we will work with our staff and faculty on completion plans that will provide you with every opportunity to successfully complete your studies.

Please send any strike-related questions or concerns to strike@mohawkcollege.ca and thank you for your continued patience.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Armstrong', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Paul Armstrong
Vice President Academic