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Press Release

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NOTICE OF TRANSPORTATION LABOR DISPUTE

Derry, NH, November 4, 2016: The Derry Cooperative School District has been informed by the Teamsters Local Union No. 633 that the Union and First Student are in a labor dispute that can potentially result in a work stoppage within the next few weeks. It is important to note that we have no information that a work stoppage has been approved at this time.

The Derry Cooperative School District has reached out to First Student Area General Manager, David Fairweather, to address this concern. Mr. Fairweather reported that "First Student continues to work diligently with union representatives to come to terms as quickly as possible." He also informed me that First Student "does not anticipate a work stoppage or any impact to the Derry Cooperative School District."

We are hopeful that this issue can be resolved, however, we are being cautious and would like to notify parents with as much advance notice as possible to ensure that they can secure transportation for their students in the event of a work stoppage. We will keep you informed as information becomes available. It is also important to note that notice of an actual work stoppage order could be very short notice.

We are very fortunate to have great bus drivers who are committed to safely transporting our children to and from school each day. We take no position on the labor dispute between the drivers and the bus company and look forward to a continued positive working relationship with our drivers and with First Student.

In closing, we will continue to update you as information becomes available.



Dr. Laura H. Nelson, Superintendent

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