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To All Parents/Guardians:

Professional Learning Supports Student Success

Anglophone School Districts are making improvements to professional learning.

In the attached Anglophone South School District Calendar, there are five half days for professional learning. This model aligns with best practice and ensures consistency with all school districts in the province. School will be dismissed early on these days to provide professional learning opportunities for staff. Students will attend school in the morning as usual and at high school, the five periods will be shortened on these days. The 2017-18 calendar can be found on the Anglophone South website (www.asd-s.nbed.nb.ca)

The overall amount of professional learning time in the school calendar remains the same; however, one full day of professional learning for teachers has been moved outside instructional time to September 1st. What has changed is the format and quality of the professional learning. Professional learning for teachers creates better student learning and is the key component to improving teacher practice.

We are looking forward to these improvements in the upcoming school year. As teachers learn and grow, so do their students.

On behalf of Anglophone South School District, we wish you a wonderful summer and thank you for your support of our schools.

Yours truly,

Zoë Watson Superintendent

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