



Bargaining and strike update

Negotiations continued today, and while we continue to make progress, we still have important issues outstanding at the table, and will return to the table tomorrow.

That means we're back on the line in the morning to keep up the pressure on this government to reach a fair and decent contract. Picket locations and timing may be adjusted from day to day, so please check our [picket line finder](#) before leaving in the morning.

Our historic strike gets stronger

We're keeping the energy strong and showing up in huge numbers to support workers. Today's biggest picket line was at MP Steve Mackinnon's office in Gatineau, Quebec with 4,972 members scanned in to fight for a fair contract.

This is a truly historic moment for workers and one of the largest strikes in Canada's history. Together, we wield incredible power and can make a real impact by setting the bar for all workers across the country.

When we work together, we apply the most leverage on the government, which can lead to a shorter strike and a better collective agreement.

Your top questions

Will we be picketing this weekend? What if my shift is on the weekend?

No, there will be no picket locations this weekend. But if you were scheduled to work weekend shifts, you're still on strike, and must not report to work. We will issue a form for members scheduled to work over the weekend so that you can register for alternate strike support arrangements and receive strike pay.

I didn't receive an email with my barcode, how can I sign in at the picket line?

Don't worry – you can check in with our PSAC team when you arrive. You don't need your barcode to sign in. You can use your PSAC ID or sign in manually with a picket captain to receive strike pay.

Am I required to advise the employer that I am on strike?

There is no legal requirement that you inform the employer that you are on strike. You are not required to have any communication with your manager unless you're an essential worker with an ESA letter, or you're asked to return employer equipment.

There have been 7,500+ media hits since the strike launched on April 19, including international coverage in New York, London, Hong Kong, Japan, and more. Here are the top hits of the day:

[CBC Power and Politics: PSAC workers strike for better wages, remote work](#)

[CTV: PSAC strike could have domino effect for unionized workers: labour experts](#)

Vibe Check: Shake-A-Sign

We love seeing all the creative, inspiring and hilarious signs on picket lines across the country. Flip through our [Flickr account](#) and find your friends (and maybe yourself too!).



Tomorrow's theme is **step calculator**. How many steps will it take to secure a fair deal? You might be one step closer to being featured in tomorrow's update!



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