



## Statement on strikes and walkouts

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"The Washington State School Directors Association is opposed to strikes/walkouts by school employees as a means of settling disputes in public education. WSSDA supports the efforts of our school directors around the state who are working diligently to ensure that all staff members are appreciated and well-compensated while balancing the needs of students, the community and the long-term financial stability of their districts. Strikes are disruptive to students, parents and school staff. WSSDA strongly urges labor association leadership to use alternative means of dealing with labor disputes (for example, mediation and/or fact finding) instead of work stoppages."