

ELEMENTARY TEACHERS' FEDERATION OF ONTARIO

MOTIONS PASSED

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2021

GENERAL SESSION 2

1. S. Hammond (Executive)/K. Brown (Executive)
NBM1

That Policy Statements be amended by the addition of a new section to read:

1.0 COVID-19

- 1.1 That the provincial government ensure appropriate measures are in place for a safe return to school during the 2021-2022 school year.
- 1.2 That appropriate measures for a safe return to school during the 2021-2022 year include: lowering class sizes to enable physical distancing; maintaining cohorting that limits interactions; improving classroom/worksite ventilation; mandating masking for all elementary students, Kindergarten, unless medically exempted; requiring confirmation of COVID-19 screening of staff and students; providing on-site testing; directing adequate safeguards for student transportation; and mandating COVID-19 vaccination for school staff, with provisions for exceptions due to medical reasons, statements of conscience or religious belief.

2. R. Millard (Elementary Teachers of Toronto)/J. Nutting (York Region Teacher Local)
NBM3

THAT ETFO demand, in the interests of safety for the duration of the Pandemic that class size be assessed on the ventilation occupation capacity of each classroom that meets the standard of 30 Cubic feet per Minute (CFM) filtered ventilation per person as recommended by the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) for COVID-19 or, where the ventilation capacity of a room is unknown, that class size be determined for an occupant density where each person shall have no less space than 7.4m²/person or 80ft²/person, as modeled in Minimizing Transmission in High Occupant Density Settings, ASHRAE Journal, May 2021.

3. L. Levitan (Ottawa-Carleton Teacher Local)/M. Outmezguine (York Region Teacher Local).
NBM4

That ETFO establish a task force of the Annual Meeting to combat Antisemitism in Ontario. The objectives of this task force include, but are not limited to, examining ways to enhance the advocacy, well-being, and support for Members with a report to the May 2022 Representative Council.