Hello FMT Families,

As you are all aware, the province-wide teacher strike will begin on Monday. My goal during this time is to ensure students feel cared for, connected, and supported while we wait for regular classes to resume. Below is a list of ways I can support your student and family throughout the strike. Click here for our Fall Resource Guide, which highlights local programs and services that may be helpful, including a link to the Government of Alberta's Parent Supports During Class Cancellations website.

I will be at FMT full-time during the class cancellations and can be reached by:

• **Phone:** 780-471-1962

• **Text:** 587-545-4032

• Email: Amanda.Good@ecsd.net

Here are some of the ways I can help:

- Meet with parents to assist with the application for the Parent Payment Program through the Government of Alberta website
- Conduct home visits or meet with students in the community
- Provide check-in phone calls with students
- Offer crisis intervention and prevention services
- Consult on issues such as attendance, mental health, behavior management, and child protection
- Submit referrals to community mental health and addictions programs
- Complete Food Bank referrals
- Support students with goal setting and strategies to catch up on outstanding work
- Complete referrals for health and social benefits, including KidSport, Computers for Schools, Coats for Kids, Food Bank, the LensCrafters OneSight Program, and more

IMPORTANT: It may seem early to talk about Christmas, but deadlines for programs like the Christmas Bureau, Adopt-A-Teen, Santas Anonymous, and the Holiday Hamper Program are quickly approaching! Applications open in mid-October, and each program has a different deadline in November. Please email me if you need help applying.

That's all for now. Please don't hesitate to reach out during school hours if you need support or have any questions.

Thank you!