**Semester 1 Report Cards – Information for Parents/Guardians (Jan. 2020)**

**Important information about Semester 1 report cards**

Dear parents and guardians,

In November, the [Ontario Secondary School Teachers’ Federation (OSSTF) announced](http://www.osstf.on.ca/en-CA/news/mr-nov-21-2019.aspx) a partial withdrawal of services that included the writing of report card comments on report cards. In the Upper Grand District School Board, OSSTF represents a number of different employee groups, including all secondary teachers and occasional teachers.

As a result of the labour sanctions, Semester 1 final report cards will not contain comments. Teachers will, however, enter final marks, absences and learning skills in the Semester 1 report cards that will be distributed to students on Monday, February 10th, 2020. Teachers will also update all Individual Education Plans (IEPs) as well as provide comments on alternative report cards as per normal procedures.

Procedures related to the uploading of marks to both college and university application centres will continue to take place as usual.

Semester 2 is to begin as previously scheduled on February 3, 2020, provided there are no bus cancellations on the exam days.

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