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Work To Contract (Day 3) – Stewards Working Hard

Message from President

Working to the Contract is never easy. A member reported they had no planning yesterday and an ERPL after school. The pressure that everyone feels is that you still must grade papers, answer emails, return parent phone calls and help students. However, this is not the case.

When the district or school take all your time, you do not have to stay later or take the work home with you. We should not create more work for ourselves. We are simply saying, if you take my time, then it will take longer to get the work done! Therefore, we have to change how I do the work.

As one member suggested, have students grade their own assignments as part of the class and turn them in. This was a common practice years ago, but appears to be less common today. We are saying we must work smarter, not harder.



Stewards Meeting Tonight

Our awesome stewards will be meeting via conference call tonight to talk about the Work to the Contract and plan other strategic steps. Stewards are the leaders of our union and their input is extremely valuable to the work we do. If you have any thoughts or suggestions to share, please let your steward know so they can bring it forward tonight.

Solidarity

When we stand in unity, we stand in Solidarity. This is never easy, but standing together, is how we make change happen!

We have incredible power if we choose to use it. We want to use this power to be build up, not tear down our public schools. We want to ensure that we have a plan in place in VCS to help every child succeed and that each and every one of us is treated and respected as professionals!

Let's 'Walk In' Together

It is time to support one another. We must support each other. Walking in together helps us do that. The positive effects of our solidarity will last for the rest of our careers. It's the simplest of actions - **meet in the morning and walk in together.**

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