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Dear Amphitheater Parents and Guardians,

Over the last few days and concluding today, school district employees across Arizona were voting on whether to participate in a “walk-out”. The results of that state-wide vote are expected to be announced tonight; we may not have specific information regarding Amphi until later. We will post more details about that vote on our website when they are available. In the interim, we wanted to address any questions you may have.

First, you may be aware that many of our teachers and staff have been participating in statewide efforts to increase awareness for teacher and staff salaries and the need for additional public education funding over the past several weeks. In our very own district, these efforts recently included a “stand-out” along Oracle Road and peaceful “walk-ins” at our schools each Wednesday morning. Teachers and staff have organized these efforts independently and on their own time. We respect their unity efforts and appreciate that they have not disrupted the instructional day.

While we want you to be aware that there is the potential for a teacher “walk-out” across Arizona, no decision or date has been set by the organizers. However, in the event of such an action, we are developing contingency plans for how we will respond if there is a “walk-out” in our district.

Let me be clear. We do not support a work stoppage. If there is not adequate staff to maintain student safety and campus security, we may be forced to close schools. School closures will be determined school by school. We will use our parent notification system to get information to you. Please make sure that your phone numbers and email addresses are current in our student information system. You can do this by contacting your school’s office with any updates.

In Amphi, we are fortunate to have a community that consistently supports our schools.

We understand that you will have many questions. Out of an abundance of caution, we have prepared the following FAQs to be sure that our families can anticipate how a school closures may impact them.

It is our hope that teaching and learning will continue through May 24 as planned. We will keep you updated as information becomes available. Please rest assured that we will do everything possible to minimize the impact of any such action upon our students, parents, and community.

Sincerely,

Todd A. Jaeger, J.D.  
Superintendent

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