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TEACHERS IN LABRADOR WEST VOTE TO ACCEPT CONTRACT PROPOSAL

St. John's, NL... Teachers in Labrador West (Labrador City and Wabush) have accepted the latest contract proposal with over 96% (96.3%) voting for acceptance.

The Labrador West teachers are a separate bargaining unit under the Teachers' Collective Bargaining Act.

"As with the Provincial Agreement we are very pleased with the results of the vote on the tentative agreement," says James Dinn, President of the Newfoundland and Labrador Teachers' Association. "We were able to protect benefits for teachers as well as make gains in the area of family leave for the first time."

The Labrador West Collective Agreement will incorporate the same changes as the recently signed Provincial Collective Agreement. Under the new contract all teachers' salaries will be increased by 5% over the life of the agreement and teachers will receive a \$1400 signing bonus.

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