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### **Possible CAEA Strike Impact on Athletics**

As many of you may be aware, the Chambersburg Area School District received a notice from the Chambersburg Area Education Association that they intend to strike beginning November 13, 2017. Although both sides continue to negotiate a new collective bargaining agreement, we wanted to share with you some information about how a potential strike will impact athletics. Please review a few questions and answers to help you navigate this challenging time.

#### **If a strike occurs will athletics continue as normal?**

*No. Coaches are represented by CAEA and as a result all activities will be canceled until staff return to work.*

#### **Why does a CAEA strike affect athletics?**

*CASD athletic coaches are unique in comparison to other school districts in that they are represented by CAEA within the collective bargaining agreement.*

#### **How will parents and student-athletes be notified?**

*Student-athletes and parents will be notified via announcements on the athletic website (<https://www.casdonline.org/athletics>), twitter (<https://twitter.com/CASDAthletics>), the district hotline (717-261-5680) and global phone calls.*

#### **Can teams utilize non-CASD facilities to conduct practices and/or scrimmages/games?**

*No. For liability reasons CASD teams may not operate in an official capacity while staff is on strike.*

#### **How do PIAA rules impact time missed from practice?**

*PIAA rules require teams to have a minimum of 15 practice days prior to being allowed to compete in competition. Depending on a return date, CASD teams may be required to forfeit contests if the PIAA 15 practice day requirement has not been met.*

#### **Will athletic teams be required to practice on holidays or Sundays?**

*Possibly. PIAA rules only allow teams to practice 6 days within a calendar week. A calendar week is defined as Sunday through Saturday. If a Sunday or Holiday practice is required to meet the PIAA 15 practice day rule, then they may be utilized.*

If you have any additional questions please do not hesitate to contact the athletic department office at 717-261-3332.