

**ONTARIO-MONTCLAIR SCHOOL DISTRICT/
ONTARIO-MONTCLAIR TEACHERS ASSOCIATION
REOPENER NEGOTIATIONS – 2008-2009**

**JOINT COMMUNIQUE #1
December 3, 2008**

The Ontario-Montclair School District and Ontario-Montclair Teachers Association met for its second negotiations session on December 3, 2008. The first session was held on November 19. The teams also met on October 9 in response to a Demand to Bargain regarding the 0.5 periods implemented at the middle schools.

The teams:

- Reviewed the Initial Proposals from both the District and the Association
- Discussed issues regarding the 0.5 classes at the middle schools, including preparation needed for the shorter instructional blocks, scheduling of the sessions, and progress reports/grading. The teams charted information that was needed for future discussions.
- Discussed issues related to the implementation of ExCEL and other site programs that move students between teachers and its impact on issues like planning, space, and grading
- Discussed issues associated with the possible implementation of an optional zero or seventh period to address the academic needs of At Risk students
- Discussed conference schedules for middle and elementary schools, including conference time schedules and Tuesday dismissal time. Determined that additional information was needed.
- Discussed contract language as it relates to the frequency of evaluations as well as remedies when evaluation timelines are not followed
- Shared available information regarding the State Budget and school funding
- The next session is scheduled for January 7, 2009

OMSD/OMTA TEAM MEMBERS:

Donny Brubaker, Debi Cockrell, Sue Frazee, Denise Free, Benjamin Fudge, Kimberly Guicharnaud, Pat Hawkins, Jim Kidwell, Rick McClure, Shari Megaw, Judith Moorhead, Allen Morales, Brad Richards, Bruce Sarver, Mary Kay Scheid, Chris Scoleri, Karla Wells, Jack Young