



## PTU COMMUNICATION

## November 21, 2025

Dear colleagues,

Together with QPAT and unionized groups across the province, the Pearson Teachers Union urges all our members to participate in a major inter-syndical demonstration on November 29.

Where: Place du Canada (1010 rue de la Gauchetière Ouest, Montréal)

When: Saturday, November 29, starting at 1:30 PM.

Route: Beginning from Place du Canada, we will march 2 kilometres to the office of François Legault at 770 Sherbrooke West.

Note: A meeting point for PTU members is being coordinated with other local unions of QPAT and will be shared next week.

Since the spring, the government of François Legault has enacted a series of laws, including Bills 47, 89, 94, 100 and 101, that have the cumulative effect of making the work of teachers more complex and burdensome. The most recent attack, Bill 3, has revealed their true colours. Thinly veiled as an attempt to make unions more transparent and democratic, this bill aims to prevent unions from contesting legislation, engaging in political advertising campaigns, or from participating in social movements.

Recently, the non-partisan *Barreau du Québec* has <u>warned of an erosion of the rule of law</u>. They point to the danger of legislation that restricts the ability to challenge government decisions.

These pieces of legislation are no longer a sectorial issue. Our democracy itself is at risk.

One of the central tenets of democracy is the ability to stand in dissent of leadership. Unions and workers play a critical role in this counterbalance. Any government that seeks to muzzle opposition must be challenged.

Please see QPAT President Heidi Yetman's video blog regarding this demonstration here.

Thousands of workers will meet in Montréal on November 29, across all the major trade unions of Québec, to send a strong message to the government that an attack on unions is an attack on all Quebecers.

Demonstrations are not easy. They are inconvenient. They are demanding.

And they are absolutely necessary.

I hope to see you in large numbers on November 29 as we stand united to defend our public good.

In solidarity,

Matt Wilson, PTU President