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David Mastin elected ETFO president

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TORONTO, ON – Durham teacher David Mastin was elected president of the Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario (ETFO) at today's Annual Meeting. Mastin has served as first vice-president since 2021.

"At a time when public education, equity, and workers' rights are under threat, our greatest strength lies in unity, action, and hope," says Mastin. "I'm honoured to serve ETFO and to help lead a union grounded in trust, collaboration, and the belief that real change begins with us. Together, we will build a stronger, more connected, and more powerful union. Let's stand up for public education, support our members, and create a better future for everyone."

Mastin began his teaching career in 1995 with the Durham Board of Education (now Durham District School Board) after graduating from the University of Toronto. Mastin has represented ETFO members both locally and provincially since 2002.

At the Durham Teacher Local, he served as local treasurer, secretary, political action chair, second vice-president, and first vice-president, before being elected local president in 2015. Mastin also served the local as chief negotiator, and was a member of all local committees as well as the bargaining team.

Mastin was first elected to ETFO's provincial Executive in 2013. He was elected vicepresident in 2019. At the provincial level, he has also served on the provincial Representative Council Steering Committee and was a past member of the Teacher Education Faculty Liaison Committee.

<u>ETFO</u> represents approximately 83,000 members, including public elementary teachers, occasional teachers, designated early childhood educators, education support personnel, and professional support personnel. Visit <u>BuildingBetterSchools.ca</u>.

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