PK-12 & COMMUNITY COLLEGE

2026-27 RECOGNITION & 2025-26 BARGAINING CALENDAR

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October 1-14 Submit 2026-27 recognition request if not already certified; notify OS of Board approval date

October 15-31 Bargaining teams prepare for 25-26 negotiations

November 1 Negotiations for the 2025-26 contract year must begin on or before this date

December 15 Decision Day:

- Negotiations must be completed OR
- Local association willing to settle with assistance from OS but without legal assistance OR
- Notify OS of likely need to prepare for Resolution Officer; local shares comp study, prevalence table, and bargaining notes with OS

January 1-26 Association ratification vote/school board approval period; local association & NSEA work to prepare for RO proceeding if no settlement has been reached

January 27 Initiate certification election proceedings if association not recognized by board for 2026-27

February 8 Statutory filing date for initiating RO proceedings

March 25 RO proceedings end

April 8 RO decision becomes final unless jurisdiction of Commission of Industrial Relations (CIR) is invoked by this date