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DURHAM CANCELS HEALTHCARE, NEGOTIATIONS SCHEDULED FOR TWO DAYS NEXT WEEK

Tuesday, March 10, 2026, Durham employees discovered this week that their healthcare insurance plan had been terminated. No advanced notice was provided. Durham employees discovered their plan had been cancelled when visiting the emergency room and at medical appointments. Durham's final contract offer included no changes to health insurance offers from the previous contract. It appears that Durham cancelled insurance and benefit plans strictly to hurt their employees and render them without healthcare. Meanwhile, Durham continues to deduct money from employee paychecks for health insurance and benefits premiums, even though it cancelled the same insurance and benefits.

Teamsters have been available with a federal mediator on standby, ready to negotiate while the Mat-Su Valley is on spring break, but Durham has still refused to meet before March 17th. Teamsters sincerely hope that Durham comes ready to negotiate so the school bus workers can resume work and start safely transporting students for the remainder of the school year.

For any questions or press inquiries, contact Local 959's Political Coordinator, Patrick FitzGerald, at (907) 230-8809.

