# Parachute. AT-A-GLANCE

FALL 2024



- 4771 completed responses across all provinces and territories
- K-12 classroom teachers, principals, vice-principals, education workers
- Response time October 21 November 15, 2024



## **Ministerial Failure**

• 63% of educators report their ministries of education are "not supportive at all".



## **Poor Working Conditions**

- Nearly 80% of educators report struggling to cope.
- 95% of educators are concerned that staff shortages are negatively impacting students.

## **Overloaded and Complex Classrooms**

- 77% of educators report that students' needs have become "significantly more complex" compared to five years ago.
- Factors include: number of high-needs students, diversity of needs, lack of support personnel.



#### **Rising Violence and Aggression**

- 55% of educators have experienced violence or aggression in the past year.
- Of reported incidents, only 25% indicated that appropriate actions were taken by health and safety committees.



#### **Overwork and Insufficient Prep Time**

- 73% of educators work more than 45 hours per week; 35% exceed 48 hours.
- 65% of educators identify more prep time as a top priority for improving working conditions.

## **Educators' Recommendations to Improve Working Conditions**

- Class Size Reductions: Supported by 75% of educators.
- Increased Support Staff: Supported by 71% of educators.
- Class Complexity Provisions: Supported by 66% of educators.
- Dedicated Preparation Time: Supported by 65% of educators.

