

## **SCHOOL TRAFFIC PATROLS**

### **Background**

In order to address student pedestrian traffic problems, schools and Parents' Advisory Councils may wish to establish school traffic patrols made up of volunteers and/or students. The District will approve school traffic patrol systems provided a number of conditions are met, including approval from the appropriate municipality.

### **Procedures**

1. The *School Act* permits that a school traffic patrol may be operated under the jurisdiction of the District where approved by the council of the municipality in which the school is situated.
2. School traffic patrols must be approved by the Superintendent and the local municipality in order that no action may be brought against a student or volunteer in respect of personal or other injuries sustained by a person arising out of the operation by the District of traffic patrols.
3. Submission of Plan
  - 3.1. Principals or Parents' Advisory Councils (PACs) wishing to develop a traffic patrol will submit to the Secretary-Treasurer a plan which provides sufficient detail to allow for evaluation of the plan's impact on other traffic considerations and for assessment of the plan in view of known traffic volumes, stopping distances, and sight lines. It is important that the plan be fully developed in order to ensure the successful implementation of the patrol. The plan will include:
    - 3.1.1. The location of the patrol;
    - 3.1.2. A schedule of times during which the patrol is requesting authority to control traffic;
    - 3.1.3. Details regarding uniforms, signs, symbols, and procedures to be used by the patrol. These items will be uniform in all patrols in order to help ensure motorist recognition and thereby increase student safety and effectiveness of patrols;
    - 3.1.4. Provision for adult supervision if a patrol is to be operated by students;
    - 3.1.5. Provision for approval of patrol participants by the Principal;
    - 3.1.6. Provision for training of participants by RCMP Community Services; and
    - 3.1.7. Ideally, a list of volunteers committed to the patrol for the school year in which the plan is submitted. Inclusion of such a list would provide an indication of commitment to the project.
4. The Secretary-Treasurer will submit the plan to the Superintendent for review and referral to the municipality.

5. When reviews have taken place and the plan has been approved by the Superintendent and the municipality, the Principal will be advised.

Reference: Sections 8, 20, 22, 65, 85 School Act

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