

CROSSING GUARDS

BACKGROUND

Crossing Guards are necessary for the safety of students in traffic when specific conditions exist and when no other means to ensure student safety are feasible.

Therefore, the District supports the establishment of Crossing Guards when:

- The crosswalk is on a provincially designated arterial road or highway; and
- A continuing safety hazard to children cannot be overcome in a less costly way.

The Manager of Operations and Transportation may, at his/her discretion, establish a temporary patrol to meet short-term hazardous situations.

PROCEDURES

1. The Manager of Operations and Transportation is the contact for all matters related to the safety of students in traffic.
2. Upon receiving a request or hearing a concern related to the safety of students in traffic, the Manager of Operations and Transportation would review the matter, analyze the data and recommend action to the Superintendent.
3. If the recommended action involves the removal or addition of a Crossing Guard, the issue will be taken to the City of New Westminster who has also partnered with British Columbia's leading active and safe route to schools' consultants – HUB and Active School Travel (HAST).
4. The decision to add or remove a crossing guard will be communicated by the principal at the following PAC meeting.

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

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