

## **SCHOOL SAFETY PATROLS**

### **Background**

The Division supports the use of School Safety Patrols in accordance with these procedures.

### **Procedures**

1. School safety patrols shall be the responsibility of the principal.
2. In the event that a concern for the need of a safety patrol should arise from the school community or the school staff, the procedures stated below shall be followed:
  - 2.1 When the principal concurs with the possible need for a safety patrol, he/she shall submit the request to the Director or designate. The request shall specify the following details:
    - 2.1.1 Location(s) where the patrol is to operate.
    - 2.1.2 Type of patrol required (student and/or adult).
    - 2.1.3 Times of day that the patrol needs to operate.
    - 2.1.4 Tentative starting date, should approval be given.
    - 2.1.5 Staff leadership contact information

(Because of the number of procedures listed below, ample time will need to be given from the time of application to the tentative starting date.)
  - 2.2 The Principal will verify with the police service whether, in their opinion, the amount of traffic, or any peculiar needs of the intersection or crossing warrant the establishment of a safety patrol.
  - 2.3 The Principal will ask the police service for any input which they feel is necessary for a decision on the application. Commitment on the part of the police to assist with the operation of the patrol shall be assured before the decision is made.
3. When establishing a safety patrol, the following procedures will apply:
  - 3.1 The principal assumes responsibility for publicizing and explaining the patrol to the parents of the School Community Council.
  - 3.2 The principal, in consultation with the school staff, shall select a staff member who will be responsible for the supervision and general conduct of the patrol.

- 3.3 The principal shall obtain the necessary parental permission, in writing, for students who are to become patrol members.
4. Students who have been selected by the principal or designate shall undergo a training program in consultation with the R.C.M.P. to ensure that these students are confident in their duties and are able to demonstrate that they know the rules and guidelines to being a Safety Patroller. Only those students, who meet the training standards shall be accepted as active members of the safety patrol.
- 4.1 Students that meet the standards will be monitored weekly by the principal or designate to ensure that the standards of safety are adhered too.

Legal Reference: Section 85, 87, 109, 175, 188, Education Act

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