

SCHOOL DISTRICT 82 (COAST MOUNTAINS)

Educational Administration

2245: School Crossing Guards

Policy

The Board of School Trustees may provide supervision at marked crosswalks to provide safe passage for students who need to cross busy thoroughfares. This supervision may be provided by either Traffic Patrols or adult Crossing Guards.

With the approval of the Board of School Trustees and the appropriate Municipal Council or appropriate governing body, there may be established in any public school in School District 82 (Coast Mountains) a school traffic patrol or adult crossing guard. It shall be constituted and shall function in accordance with the following regulations.

School Act Reference: 85(2)(e)/94(3)

Regulations

1. Objectives
 - a) The objectives of the patrol shall be to instruct, direct, and control the traffic of school children at highway intersections and crossings adjacent to public schools in School District 82 (Coast Mountains).
2. Patrol Members
 - a) School principals shall appoint sufficient members to the patrol to carry out the objectives of these regulations. Service shall be upon a voluntary basis and only after such appointment has been approved in writing by the parent or guardian of the patrol member.
3. Instruction and Supervision
 - a) The RCMP will act as advisors in the training of the patrol.
4. Dress

- a) The members of the patrol shall use only such flags, whistles, signs, and other instruments or materials as prescribed by the RCMP.
5. Position
- a) Patrol members shall stand on the curb at the left of the pedestrian highway crossing. Where no curbs are in existence or where curbs are cut away, the patrol members shall stand in locations designated by the Police.
6. Traffic Patrol Procedure
- a) Patrol members shall so control the traffic or school children that as far as possible this traffic will move across the highway in groups and at such times as the movement will not interfere with the passage of motor vehicles upon the highway. During the times when school children are crossing the highway, patrol members shall display the STOP disc so that it will be clearly visible to the drivers of all motor vehicles approaching from their side.
7. Patrol Hours
- a) The hours of patrol shall be set by the principal of each school at such times as may be necessary in order to control the movement of the traffic of pupils across highways adjacent to the school.
8. Discipline and Control
- a) For their actions and their behaviour, the members of the School Patrol shall at all times be responsible to the principal of the school operating the Patrol.