



*"Inspire learners, Integrate sustainability,
Involve community"*

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 64

PROCEDURE 410-1 (Form) Student Transportation by Water Taxi

I/we, the parent(s)/guardian(s) of _____ understand and accept that:

1. The primary purpose of the district water taxi system is to meet the needs of Gulf Islands Secondary School students who reside on Galiano, Mayne, Pender and Saturna Islands. When their needs have been met 'courtesy' water taxi transportation services may be extended on a priority basis to:
 - a. other students, as follows:
 - i. middle years students participating in French Immersion Programs at a school not on their home island;
 - ii. other students attending a school not on their home island, for program purposes
 - b. staff
 - c. trustees
 - d. parents, students not identified in 1 and 1(a) above, and other with a need recognized by the school district

Decisions regarding courtesy ridership are ultimately at the discretion of the Superintendent of Schools.

2. Transportation of students to and from school is, ultimately, the responsibility of parents/guardians.
3. Students using the water taxi service services to travel to and from school are subject to school and district behavioural expectations as outlined in school codes of conduct and Policy 400. They must follow all instructions by water taxi personnel. Disciplinary concerns will be referred to the appropriate school principal who will address the matter with reference to Policy 400: Student behaviour and Discipline, available on the district website and through district schools.
4. Water taxi schedules will be established and published in time for the first day of school, and adjusted in the weeks following. They are subject to revision through the school year, with updates posted on the district website and in district schools.
5. In cases where water taxi service is cancelled due to inclement weather or mechanical breakdown, principals will contact parents and arrange for alternate transportation or billets.
8. Any decisions made in relation to this procedure may be appealed to the Superintendent.

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Dates and Printed Name

Signature