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### Student Social Pass Request Form

#### Courtesy student travel on the water taxi for social purposes

*To be approved a minimum of 2 days prior to requested date of travel*

Students who use the school district water taxi service are subject to school and district behavioural expectations as outlined in school codes of conduct and *Policy 400 Student Behaviour and Discipline*. Students are expected to follow instructions from water taxi personnel while riding. Disciplinary concerns will be referred to the school principal.

**Application Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Travel to: \_\_\_\_\_ On (date): \_\_\_\_\_

Return from: \_\_\_\_\_ On (date): \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this form as the parent/guardian, I acknowledge that access to the student water taxi as requested above is not guaranteed and subject to actual available space, on the given day of travel, based on the following priority order:

- i. Standard riders
- ii. priority student whose standard pass was revoked due to over-capacity
- iii. approved student field trips
- iv. staff
- v. trustees
- vi. parents for the purpose of school/district activities
- vii. student social passes**

I also acknowledge that, as the parent/guardian, should there be lack of available space or the water taxi be cancelled due to inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstance, it is my responsibility to arrange alternate transportation and/or supervision for my child.

Parent: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Receiving adult: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Office Use Only

Date received: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
School Administration Transportation Department

Pass issued: Yes ☐ No ☐



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### **Additional Information**

*The primary purpose of the district student water taxi is to support catchment area attendance. Courtesy ridership privileges may be extended beyond this primary purpose to allow students to access the water taxi on a student social pass.*

1. *A student social pass may only be granted:*
  - a. *To Gulf Islands School District 64 students who reside on Pender, Saturna, Mayne or Galiano Islands and hold a valid standard or courtesy water taxi pass so that they may travel to one of those four islands for a social purpose.*
  - b. *If there is anticipated space on the requested student water taxi route(s).*
2. *A social pass permission form must be completed and signed by both the parent/guardian of the student traveling and by an adult living in the receiving home who will be responsible for the student while in their care.*
  - a. *The signed permission form must be received by both the transportation department ([transportation@sd64.org](mailto:transportation@sd64.org)) and the administrative assistant of the school that the traveling student attends, at least 2 school days prior to the requested travel date.*
3. *Transportation for students with an approved social pass is not guaranteed on the requested date(s) of travel, despite prior approval. Access to the water taxi is dependent on actual available space on the water taxi on any given day of travel. Transportation is offered to courtesy riders in order of priority outlined in the Board's Student Transportation Policy only once the needs of all standard riders have been met.*
4. *Student social passes will be provided free of charge.*

### **References**

- *AP T2 Student Social Passes*
- *Policy/Procedure 410 Student Transportation*
- *Policy/Procedure 525 Residential Catchment Areas*