

Administrative Procedure 4100

Student Safety Patrols

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Student Safety Patrols Waiver

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The Brandon School Division approves the establishment of student safety patrols consisting of student volunteers.

School Leaders may establish safety patrols to assist students in crossing busy streets in reasonable proximity to the school, where, in the opinion of the Brandon Police Service member who is assigned to student safety patrols, a traffic hazard exists that can effectively be dealt with by means of such a patrol and where the establishment of such patrol can promote safety attitudes and habits in students.

Students shall obey the instructions of student safety patrols and conduct themselves in an orderly manner when under its direction.

The Brandon Police Service shall be responsible for assisting the school with the training, general supervision and deciding which crossings require the services of safety patrols.

- Service on patrols by students shall be voluntary.
- No student may serve as a patrol member without the written consent of a parent or guardian on the approved form, which includes a clause relieving the Division of liability in the event of the pupil's involvement in an accident while acting as a patrol member.
- The School Leader or designated staff member shall supervise the safety patrol program at the school and in cooperation with the Brandon Police Service designate appropriate locations for the patrols.
- The police officer and the school staff member in charge shall take all reasonable measures to ensure that patrol members are adequately instructed in their duties.

- Patrol members shall control, direct and instruct students in crossing the streets at designated crossings. Only police officers have the right to stop, control and direct traffic.
- Patrols shall not be required to be on duty when the wind chill reaches -27°C.
- Parents/guardians of students shall be reminded through the school newsletter during the cold winter months that patrols will not be on duty when the wind chill reaches -27°C. The media shall be requested to remind the public to take extra caution when going to and from work on days patrols are not on duty.
- The Division will maintain liability insurance coverage protecting the Board, its employees and students against liabilities arising from the operation of safety patrols.
- The Brandon Police Service shall be responsible to secure sponsors to provide vests, flags and rewards for patrols.
- One of the staff members in charge of safety patrols shall be elected as patrol coordinator for the Division at a meeting of patrol representatives in June. This person shall serve as liaison between schools, Brandon Police Service and cooperating agencies and oversee the operation of the patrols in the Division.
- Involvement by parents/guardians and community in an advisory role is encouraged.