



Vancouver Board of Education

School District No.39

ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT

1580 West Broadway
Vancouver, B.C. V6J 5K8

Friday, December 14, 2018

Dear Parents or Guardians,

I want to provide you with some information following news earlier this week about an investigation by the Vancouver Police Department into an incident involving a young student at one of our elementary schools.

As this is an active investigation, there are few details available which can be shared. Staff at the school and District are working collaboratively with the Vancouver Police Department to support their investigation and prioritize student safety. In addition, District staff have been present at the school in order to provide support and assistance. This included a parent information session held Thursday at the school.

Earlier this week, a safety alert was sent to all elementary school principals and vice principals to inform them of the incident and ask them to review supervision protocols for their school site. The District has highly skilled and dedicated school administrators and staff who give priority to the safety and well-being of students. All schools in the District have safety measures and procedures in place including supervision plans and other precautions. In addition, staff at schools provide age appropriate safety reminders for students.

I want to assure you that the safety of students is a priority for all Vancouver schools. If you have specific concerns or questions about your child, please contact your school's principal or vice principal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob Schindel'.

Rob Schindel
Associate Superintendent, School Services
Vancouver School District