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## **Facilities Department**

Marni Vistisen-Harwood Director of Facilities

October 4, 2022

Dear Neighbours:

## **RE: Colquitz Middle School Bus Compound Cameras**

A bus compound has been built on the southwest corner of the Colquitz Middle School property near Burnside Road to house the Greater Victoria School District's six school buses: four new electric buses and two gas buses.

The compound will be secured but to help deter and/or identify any vandalism to the buses or electrical equipment we will be installing four (4) CCTV cameras. These cameras will be pointing at specific spots within the compound. The field of view remains strictly within the compound and does not film children, employees or neighbours. The sole purpose is to secure the area as described above.

Monitoring will only occur if there is an incident. If an incident takes place Greater Victoria School District Facilities staff will search the recording based on the date the incident took place to try to identify what happened. If evidence is shown on the recording a copy may be given to local police to follow up.

No one will have access to the recordings except for one manager at Facilities. The recordings are password protected.

The School District is hosting an online information session for neighbours and families to learn more and ask questions. We invite you to attend the online meeting on **Tuesday, October 18, 2022 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.** 

To join the meeting: <u>https://bit.ly/Colquitz\_BusConsultation</u>

## Please note, the meeting link is also available on the front page of the District website: www.sd61.bc.ca

To share your input, please fill out the form below and return it to the Principal at the school or email the form below to <u>community@sd61.bc.ca</u>. All input must be submitted by **Thursday, October 20, 2022 at 4 p.m.** Approval of video surveillance will be considered by the Board of Education at its regular board meeting on Monday, October 24, 2022.

Our policy and regulation on video surveillance at school sites (3517.3) can be found here: <u>https://www.sd61.bc.ca/board-of-education/policiesregulations/</u>

Thank you,

Marni Vistisen-Harwood Director of Facilities Services Greater Victoria School District No. 61

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Please complete the question form below and return it to the School Principal or email it to <u>community@sd61.bc.ca</u> by **Thursday, October 20, 2022 at 4 p.m.** 

Do you have any concerns about this installation? If yes, please specify below:

Do you have any questions or comments about this installation?

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