

**From:** Minister of Transport / Ministre des Transports (TC) <[TC.MinisterofTransport-MinistredesTransports.TC@tc.gc.ca](mailto:TC.MinisterofTransport-MinistredesTransports.TC@tc.gc.ca)>

**Sent:** March 25, 2020 8:14 AM

**To:** Janet Fraser <[Janet.Fraser@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:Janet.Fraser@vsb.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Regarding the Vancouver Board of Education

Ms. Janet Fraser  
Board Chair  
Vancouver Board of Education  
[janet.fraser@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:janet.fraser@vsb.bc.ca)

Dear Ms. Fraser:

Thank you for your correspondence of January 23, 2020, regarding the Vancouver Board of Education's efforts to improve road safety for students in the Vancouver school district. Please accept my apology for the delay in replying.

At the outset, I should note that road safety is a responsibility shared by all levels of government. Transport Canada is responsible for establishing standards and regulations for all new and imported vehicles, tires, and child restraints in order to ensure safety on Canada's roads. The provinces and territories are responsible for the rules of the road, the enforcement and administration of justice, driver licensing, and vehicle registration.

I applaud the Vancouver Board of Education's decisions to pursue initiatives to improve the safety of student transportation. Indeed, the Board's goals align with Transport Canada's vision for a safe and secure transportation system. Allow me to assure you that Transport Canada will continue to do its part to maintain road safety by ensuring that motor vehicles on Canada's roads meet all applicable standards and regulations.

Again, thank you for writing and sharing the Vancouver Board of Education's initiatives with me.

Yours sincerely,

The Honourable Marc Garneau, P.C., M.P.  
Minister of Transport