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## IMPORTANT NOTICE ON POSSIBLE SCHOOL BUS INTERRUPTIONS

Dear Parents/	Guard	lians,
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Saanich Schools works diligently to provide consistent, predictable bus service to students and their families. Like many organizations in this current labour market, we are experiencing recruitment and replacement challenges in a number of areas. This includes district bus drivers.

To date, we have been able to replace drivers who are absent due to illness ensuring uninterrupted bus service. However, it is important to share with you that while we continue to prioritize consistent bus service, there may be situations beyond our control that result in the need to cancel specific bus routes if we are unable to replace a driver on a particular day.

If any bus routes do need to be cancelled, we will endeavor to communicate by email to affected parents / guardians by 6:15am on the day in question. In addition, we will post a general message to X (formerly Twitter) @sd63schools and on our Saanich Schools website.

Parents / guardians are asked to check their email and the school district website for any updates to bus schedules. Please consider developing alternate transportation plans for your child if we are unable to provide bus service on your route.

Thank you for your understanding.	
Sincerely,	

**Gord Bridges** 

Transportation Manager, Saanich Schools