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Surrey School Board to review practices regarding criminal charges

In connection with the criminal proceedings involving teacher Shawn Yu, the Surrey School Board is reviewing processes, particularly the sharing of information internally and between agencies, to ensure the district is managing such issues effectively.

Surrey School District staff received a letter from the BC College of Teachers on September 21, 2004 advising of the charge against Mr. Yu.

“There clearly were some deficiencies in communications between district staff and the board,” says Surrey School Board chair Shawn Wilson. “The priority of the board is student safety and wherever improvements can be made, they will be made.”

As part of the board’s review, Wilson and senior district staff are meeting with the B.C. College of Teachers staff next week.

“While we can improve our communications, I want to assure parents the board believes student safety was not compromised in this case and I note that the police and Crown counsel did not see the need to obtain a court order to prevent Mr. Yu from having contact with students,” Wilson adds.

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