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**To:** District Administration Centre Manager <<u>DistrictAdministrationCentreManager@sd68.bc.ca</u>> **Subject:** Education Assistant and Community Support Program

## **CAUTION**: External Message

Attention Ms Karen Matthews

I hope the Nanaimo School Board members will consider the following information worthy of attention.

When a student of the above-mentioned course graduates and then applies for a job with the Nanaimo School District, it is only then he/she is told they must have a driver's licence. This requirement was never mentioned prior to paying the fee, nor at any time during the program. When school boards in B.C. are currently crying out for more teachers and teacher assistants, and some districts are even hiring under qualified teachers, surely this Nanaimo District has the ability to accommodate a person who is quite capable of using public transit to get to work.

Young people today face enough difficulties becoming an established, tax paying member of our society without facing such obstacles. After paying fees, passing a course and then being told they don't qualify is more than disappointing. It certainly doesn't sound like fair play to me.

Thank you for your attention. Sincerely, Della Glendenning

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