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Hello,

This morning I read the castanet article speaking to transitioning away from a public school bus system. Without proper impact assessment it's hard for me as a parent to make a logical decision on whether I believe this is a good or truly bad. However off the cuff with no digging deeper my gut says this is deeply concerning.

The school bus system is a safe place for school kids to be (i have 2) . An extension of their school per say. The bus driver is typically consistent and watches out for those who may get bullied etc.

Taking this " safe ride home" away from k-12 seems sooo wrong.

Take a kid that already has anxiety about school and their peers, and add to the fact they now have to swim with the sharks. I say sharks because I guarantee you once this integration has occurred ever child loving adult (i won't say pedophile) will do their best to be on a specific bus at a specific time a day to perhaps sit with and or watch a child of their choosing go straight to their home.

Again soooo wrong.

Further to this you now have so many other dangerous aspects like bully kids from other schools (who skip a day) being on the bus when the kids get on. Or maybe your kid decides to be a kid and forgets to make a stop..... school bus drivers know their kids and know where they need to get off. Public transit drivers are to overwhelmed to monitor these fine details.

School bus drivers are different for a reason and that's the way they should be .

That's my two cents ...

I hold ubc degrees in science, education and a masters in management from Sanders. I am not in any way connected to school bus drivers. .. aka un biased.

Thank you.

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