

From: ["Singh, Sandra" <Sandra.Singh@vancouver.ca>](mailto:Sandra.Singh@vancouver.ca)
To: ["Direct to Mayor and Council - DL"](#)
Date: 8/24/2025 3:05:20 PM
Subject: RE: Pools and parents teaching kids to swim

Hello Mayor and Council,

General Manager of the Park Board Steve Jackson has confirmed receipt of your questions arising from the Vancouver Sun story about parents informally teaching their children to swim in Vancouver pools. Steve noted that he is also not familiar with this aquatic services policy and has requested additional information from his staff. His intention is to send a memo to the Board with additional context and identification of any policy or practice changes if any and will share that memo for distribution to Council as well.

Thank you,

Sandra

Sandra Singh | Deputy City Manager
City of Vancouver
E-mail: sandra.singh@vancouver.ca
Pronouns: she/her

Assistant: Laura Holvor
Phone: 604.829.9602
E-mail: laura.holvor@vancouver.ca
Pronouns: she/her

The City of Vancouver acknowledges the unceded homelands of the x̄m̄ k̄ȳm̄ (Musqueam), S̄w̄x̄w̄l̄t̄, and S̄w̄ūm̄esh̄ (Squamish), and S̄el̄il̄wit̄ul̄h̄ (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.

From: Dominato, Lisa <Lisa.Dominato@vancouver.ca>
Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2025 7:54:11 AM
To: Jackson, Steve <Steve.Jackson@vancouver.ca>; Singh, Sandra <Sandra.Singh@vancouver.ca>; Amrolia, Armin <Armin.Amrolia@vancouver.ca>
Cc: Direct to Mayor and Council - DL
Subject: Pools and parents teaching kids to swim

Hi Sandra, Armin, and Steve,

I read the news article below with surprise and shock.

I would like to better understand what policy is being exercised (albeit differently it seems) and what the liability concerns are over parents, caregivers or certified swim instructors offering informal lessons in public pools, during public swim time.

Sincerely,

Lisa Dominato, Councillor

City of Vancouver
604-754-7290

Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2025 8:27 AM
To: Dominato, Lisa <Lisa.Dominato@vancouver.ca>
Subject:

City of Vancouver Warning - This message is from an external sender
Do not click on links or open attachments unless you were expecting the email and know the content
is safe.



<https://vancouversun.com/news/vancouver-parents-blocked-teaching-kids-swim-public-pools>

Lisa Dominato
778-980-4422
<https://lisadominato.ca/>
<https://linktr.ee/lisadominato>

Please excuse any typos...sent from my iPhone