



# Waterloo Collegiate Institute

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To: Parents and/or Guardians

Re: Importance of Securing Bicycles

We would like to inform our WCI community that there has been an increase in the frequency of bicycle thefts in and around WCI over the past school year. Some of the bicycles that have been stolen were locked to our bicycle racks at the front of the school. Students are reminded to take every precaution to ensure that their bicycle is secured with a lock that bolt cutters cannot cut through. Please remember that lost or stolen personal property is the responsibility of the student and family.

Students that have had a bike stolen are encouraged to report it to the main office and/or to the Waterloo Regional Police Services so that appropriate follow-up can occur. If you or your student see any suspicious activity near the bicycle racks, we encourage you to contact the main office during the school day or Waterloo Regional Police after school office hours. Waterloo Regional Police are aware of the thefts in our WCI community and are working collaboratively with the school.

Thank you for being diligent in locking up your bicycle and keeping an eye out for suspicious behavior around the bicycle racks.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the school.

Sincerely,

Ryan Hume, Principal, WCI

