



Alden-Hebron School District 19
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Dear District 19 Families,

We are informing you about a new policy affecting our school's safety protocols. As of January 1, 2024, a new law has been passed requiring schools to have Narcan on the property to administer in case of an emergency.

Narcan, also known as naloxone, is a medication used to reverse opioid overdose rapidly. This law is part of a broader effort to enhance safety measures in schools and communities nationwide.

Our district complies with this new legal requirement. Our staff has been trained in the proper administration of Narcan, and the necessary supplies have been strategically placed to ensure quick access in case of an emergency.

While we hope such a situation never arises, it is crucial to be prepared and equipped to respond effectively to any potential emergency. The safety and well-being of our students and community are our top priorities, and implementing measures like having Narcan on site is an important step in ensuring a secure learning environment.

We will also have albuterol for emergencies, just as we have EpiPens. Albuterol is a medication commonly used to relieve asthma symptoms and other respiratory conditions. Similar to our approach with EpiPens, having readily available albuterol can make a significant difference in responding promptly and effectively to any respiratory emergencies in the school setting. These medications may be administered to any person who trained personnel in good faith believes to be having an anaphylactic reaction, opioid overdose, or acute asthma episode while in school, while at a school-sponsored activity under the supervision of school personnel, or before or after normal school activities on school-operated property. **Parents/guardians must provide written notification to opt** their child out of being administered these emergency medications. **These emergency medications are NOT intended to replace your child's personal inhalers or EpiPens.** While they are available in case of emergencies, students with known medical conditions must/should supply their own prescribed medications from their healthcare provider. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this new safety measure, please do not hesitate to contact me or Bria Spiniolas, the District 19 nurse.

With Giant Pride,

Tiffany Elswick: District 19 Superintendent