

Fullerton School District
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Attn: Dr. Chad Hammitt

August 16, 2023

The Honorable Maria D. Hernandez
Presiding Judge
Orange County Superior Court
700 Civic Center Drive West
Santa Ana, CA 92701

Re: Fullerton School District's Response to the 2022-23 Orange County Grand Jury Report: "Russian Roulette: Fentanyl in Orange County"

To the Honorable Maria D. Hernandez:

In accordance with California Penal Code sections 933 and 933.05, the Orange County Grand Jury has requested that the Fullerton School District respond to findings and recommendations in the 2022-2023 Orange County Grand Jury report entitled "Russian Roulette: Fentanyl in Orange County," published on June 21, 2023. Below are the responses of the Fullerton School District, as approved by the Board of Education on August 15, 2023.

F #	Finding	Agree/ Disagree	Response And Explanation (if Required)
F2	Illicit fentanyl is a pervasive problem in Orange County.	The Fullerton School District agrees with this finding.	
F7	Orange County will benefit by establishing a chartered multi-agency Task Force to address the fentanyl crisis in Orange County.	The Fullerton School District agrees with this finding.	
F8	As long as there is a demand, producers will find ways to supply drugs. Orange County cannot law enforce its way out of the fentanyl crisis. Education, prevention,	The Fullerton School District agrees with this finding.	

	and treatment are critical to reducing demand.		
F9	There is a need to increase public awareness and acknowledgement of the risks of illicit fentanyl.	The Fullerton School District agrees with this finding.	
F10	Some educational institutions are not participating in available educational and preventive fentanyl/drug programs.	The respondent disagrees partially with the finding.	Partially Disagrees: While we cannot speak to every educational institution, the Fullerton School District has provided a number educational and preventative fentanyl/drug programs. All junior high school aged students were provided with a Fentanyl educational and prevention assembly at each junior high and K-8 schools. Presentations on Fentanyl were provided at District wide parent meetings including: PTA, Champions for Learning, English Learners Advisory Committee, Block Parties, Champions for Learning Parent Conference, among others. In addition the Fullerton School District will continue to provide these educational and preventative fentanyl/drug programs. As part of Red Ribbon week, we provide students with lessons on substance recognition and avoidance, including Fentanyl. Additionally, the Fullerton School District was the first elementary district in Orange County to supply Narcan in the school offices at all 20 of our schools in addition to our before and after school programs offices. This ensures that all schools have Narcan available and staff trained to administer it anytime students are on campus.

Please see below for the responses to each required Recommendation as requested in the Orange County Grand Jury report and attached cover letter.

R #	Recommendation	Implementation	Response And Explanation (if
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R1	By January 1, 2024, the Orange County Board of Supervisors should charter a multi-agency Task Force to address the fentanyl crisis. (F2, F7, F8, F9)	The recommendation has not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future, with a timeframe for implementation.	The implementation of this recommendation is dependant upon the Orange County Board of Supervisors and the timeline they establish for this multi-agency task force.
R5	By January 1, 2024, the Orange County Department of Education should develop a model fentanyl/opioid prevention educational program to be offered to all K-12 school districts in Orange County. (F2, F8, F9, F10)	The recommendation has not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future, with a timeframe for implementation.	The implementation of this recommendation is dependant upon the Orange County Board of Education and the timeline they establish for the model Fentanyl/opioid prevention education program.
R6	By October 1, 2023, the Orange County Department of Education should promote the use of currently established and in-place fentanyl and drug-related educational programs offered by OC agencies such as Health Care Agency, OC Sheriff's Department, and non-governmental organizations to all K-12 school districts in Orange County. (F2, F8, F9, F10)	The recommendation has not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future, with a timeframe for implementation.	The implementation of this recommendation is dependant upon the Orange County Board of Education and the timeline they establish with the providers and partner agencies of fentanyl and drug-related educational programs.

Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



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