

Savanna School District

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August 22, 2023

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

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

To the Honorable Maria D. Hernandez:

The Savanna School District (District) expresses its appreciation to the Grand Jury for dedicating its time and effort to thoroughly examine this critical matter and releasing the findings in the Grand Jury Report dated June 21, 2023 entitled: *Russian Roulette: Fentanyl in Orange County* (Report). The District is committed to ensuring the safety of our students, parents, and community and takes our role of educating our students, parents, and community seriously.

The District has thoroughly reviewed and considered the Findings and Recommendations in the Report. In accordance with California Penal Code sections 933 and 933.05, the Grand Jury has requested that the District respond to Findings and Recommendations made in the Report. The District responds to the Grand Jury's Findings and Recommendations with the following:

Finding 2

Illicit fentanyl is a pervasive problem in Orange County.

The District agrees with the finding based on input from local law enforcement agencies and the Orange County Health Care Agency.

Finding 7

Orange County will benefit by establishing a chartered multi-agency Task Force to address the fentanyl crisis in Orange County.

The District agrees with this finding. In fact, we partnered with the Buena Park Police Department, The Orange County Sheriff's Department, Orange County Health Care Agency, Fullerton Joint Union High School District, Buena Park School District, Centralia School District, and the Anaheim Union High School District in hosting a Fentanyl Town Hall Meeting on March 23, 2023. (see attachment)

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Recommendation 5

By January 1, 2024, the Orange County Department of Education should develop a model fentanyl/opioid educational program to be offered to all K-12 school districts in Orange County.

The District agrees with this recommendation; however, we disagree with the timeline. We believe it will take more than six months to develop a model educational program

Recommendation 6

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.

The recommendation has been implemented in our local area.

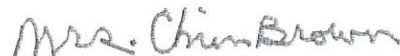
Please accept the information provided herein as the Savanna School District's responses to the Orange County Grand Jury's Factual Findings and Recommendation in the Report.

Sincerely,

BOARD APPROVED: 8/21/23



Dr. Sue Johnson
Superintendent
Secretary of the Board of Trustees



Mrs. Chris Brown
President, Board of Trustees

Join the Buena Park Police Department, the Orange County Sheriff's Department, and local partners

FENTANYL TOWN HALL MEETING

THURSDAY, MARCH 23



6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Buena Park Community Center

6688 Beach Blvd., Buena Park CA 90621

Learn more about the dangers of fentanyl and the steps you can take to help keep you, your family, and your community safe.

The Orange County Health Care Agency will distribute Naloxone (Narcan) following a brief lesson on its use



ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT




EXCERPT FROM THE OFFICIAL MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
SAVANNA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA 92804

August 21, 2023

Motion by Mr. Shook, seconded by Dr. Zambrano, to approve the response of Savanna School District to the 2022-23 Orange County Grand Jury Report *Russian Roulette: Fentanyl in Orange County*. The motion was carried 4-0.

CERTIFICATION

I, Sue Johnson, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS
A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF THAT PORTION OF THE MINUTES SPECIFIED.

SIGNED 
Secretary of the Board of Trustees