

# Tom Hawkins Elementary School

Home of the Huskies  
@TomHawkinsElementary



October 9, 2022



## Upcoming Events

Oct 11 - Volleyball Games/Cross Country meets continue

[Link to Schedule](#)

Oct 11 - [Chipotle Dinner Night](#) Out 4-8PM

Oct 11 - JSD Board Meeting 6:30-8:00

Oct 12 - Mini Wednesday 1:30PM dismissal

Oct 13 -Hawkins Spelling Bee (During school)

[4-6 Practice List](#)

[7-8 Practice List](#)

Oct 14 - [Festival of Lights](#) 3:00PM - MPR

Oct 17-21 Fall GATE/OLSAT testing Grades 3-8

Oct 18 - School Picture Retakes

Oct 19 - Mini Wednesday 1:30PM dismissal

Oct 19 - HPFC Meeting 6:30PM

Oct 20 - School Site Council Meeting 3:15PM Library

Oct 21 - Halloween Dance 6:00PM-8:00PM in MPR

Oct 24-28 Red Ribbon Week - Spirit Days;

Monday (10/24) – Proud to Be Drug Free (wear red)

Tuesday (10/25)– I Have the Power to Be Drug Free (superhero clothing)

Wednesday (10/26) – Peace Out to Drugs (hippie or tie dye clothing)

Thursday (10/27) – Team Up Against Drugs (sports clothing)

Friday (10/28) – Our School Chooses to Be Drug Free (extreme Hawkins spirit)

Oct 26 - Mini Wednesday 1:30PM dismissal

Oct 31 - Halloween Parade 8:30AM - Wear your costume - Parents are welcome

Fiona Bessette, Principal  
Charles Spikes, Vice Principal  
Rahila Amani, Principal's Secretary  
Nena Serrato, Attendance Clerk  
Kelly Cabral, Office Clerk



## Principal's Corner

We had a great turnout for National Walk to School day this past Wednesday! It was amazing to see so many families taking advantage of walking to school and dressing up in Rock and Roll gear. Our first responders came out in full force with friendly smiles, fists bumps and stickers for everyone. I wanted to give a big THANK YOU to Dan Cabral, who led our morning assembly on safety, and to Mrs. Cannon, Mrs. Cruz and Mrs. Devlin who worked hard to put on this amazing event for our school community!



**Character Trait for October**  
**Compassion**  
**Role Model: Jane Goodall**

**Be kind if you win  
and if you lose tell  
the other team that it  
was a good game.**

## Jefferson Tracy Athletic League Volleyball Schedule 2022-2023



### Tuesday, October 4, 2022

Hawkins 5 @ Traina 5, 3:30 p.m.  
Jefferson 5 @ BYE, 3:30 p.m.  
Hawkins 7 @ Traina 7, 4:30 p.m.  
Jefferson 7 @ BYE, 4:30 p.m.

### Thursday, October 6

Hawkins 6 @ Jefferson 6, 3:30 p.m.  
Traina 6 @ TLC 6, 3:30 p.m.  
Hawkins 8 @ Jefferson 8, 4:30 p.m.  
Traina 8 @ TLC 8, 4:30 p.m.

### Tuesday, October 11

Jefferson 5 @ Hawkins 5, 3:30 p.m.  
Traina 5 @ BYE, 3:30 p.m.  
Jefferson 7 @ Hawkins 7, 4:30 p.m.  
Traina 7 @ BYE, 4:30 p.m.

### Thursday, October 13

Jefferson 6 @ Traina 6, 3:30 p.m.  
TLC 6 @ Hawkins 6, 3:30 p.m.  
Jefferson 8 @ Traina 8, 4:30 p.m.  
TLC 8 @ Hawkins 8, 4:30 p.m.

### Tuesday, October 18

Traina 5 @ Jefferson 5, 3:30 p.m.  
Hawkins 5 @ BYE, 3:30 p.m.  
Traina 7 @ Jefferson 7, 4:30 p.m.  
Hawkins 7 @ BYE, 4:30 p.m.

### Thursday, October 20

TLC 6 @ Traina 6, 3:30 p.m.  
TLC 8 @ Traina 8, 4:30 p.m.  
*No Second Game due to Jefferson  
Science Camp*

### Tuesday, October 25

Traina 5 @ Hawkins 5, 3:30 p.m.  
Jefferson 5 @ BYE, 3:30 p.m.  
Traina 7 @ Hawkins 7, 4:30 p.m.  
Jefferson 7 @ BYE, 4:30 p.m.

### Thursday, October 27

TLC 6 @ Jefferson 6, 3:30 p.m.  
Hawkins 6 @ Traina 6, 3:30 p.m.  
TLC 8 @ Jefferson 8, 4:30 p.m.  
Hawkins 8 @ Traina 8, 4:30 p.m.

### Tuesday, November 1

Hawkins 5 @ Jefferson 5, 3:30 p.m.  
Traina 5 @ BYE, 3:30 p.m.  
Hawkins 7 @ Jefferson 7, 4:30 p.m.  
Traina 7 @ BYE, 4:30 p.m.

### Thursday, November 3

Hawkins 6 @ TLC 6, 3:30 p.m.  
Traina 6 @ Jefferson 6, 3:30 p.m.  
Hawkins 8 @ TLC 8, 4:30 p.m.  
Traina 8 @ Jefferson 8, 4:30 p.m.

### Tuesday, November 8

Jefferson 5 @ Traina 5, 3:30 p.m.  
Jefferson 6 @ Hawkins 6, 3:30 p.m.  
Jefferson 7 @ Traina 7, 4:30 p.m.  
Jefferson 8 @ Hawkins 8, 4:30 p.m.

### Thursday, November 10

Jefferson 6 @ TLC 6, 3:30 p.m.  
Traina 6 @ Hawkins 6, 3:30 p.m.  
Jefferson 8 @ TLC 8, 4:30 p.m.  
Traina 8 @ Hawkins 8, 4:30 p.m.

## Jefferson Tracy Athletic League Cross Country Schedule 2022-2023

### Monday, October 3

5<sup>th</sup> Grade @ Jefferson, 3:30 p.m.  
6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade @ Jefferson, 3:45 p.m.

### Monday, October 10

5<sup>th</sup> Grade @ Hawkins, 3:30 p.m.  
6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade @ Hawkins, 3:45 p.m.

### Monday, October 17

5<sup>th</sup> Grade @ Traina, 3:30 p.m.  
6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade @ Traina, 3:45 p.m.

### Monday, November 7 (Championship)

5<sup>th</sup> Grade @ Jefferson, 3:30 p.m.  
6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade @ Jefferson, 3:45 p.m.

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Elementary School**

**S p e l l i n g**

**B e e**



**October 13, 2022**

- ❖ **Two students will represent each grade level bracket: Grades 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> & Grades 7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>**
- ❖ **Winners will go on to the District Spelling Bee**

\$20

# Buy your ASB MEMBERSHIP Now!!

\$20

Why do I need one??  
If you want to attend any of the  
Fun Fridays or Dances, you will  
need one to get in!

\* Our first FUN FRIDAY (TK - 5th graders)  
is Nov. 18th

\* Our first DANCE (6th-8th graders) is  
Oct. 21st

It also helps to fund our  
school wide rallies and  
other fun events!

**Buy yours in the  
school office NOW!**



## JEFFERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT DRESS CODE GUIDELINES

<p>ACCEPTABLE TOPS</p> 	<p>NOT ACCEPTABLE TOPS</p> 
<p>ACCEPTABLE BOTTOMS</p> 	<p>NOT ACCEPTABLE BOTTOMS</p> 
<p>ACCEPTABLE SHOES</p> 	<p>NOT ACCEPTABLE SHOES</p> 

Students who are considered to be in violation of the Jefferson School District Dress Code shall be referred to the principal or the designee.

- First offense: The student's parent/guardian shall be contacted and may be asked to meet with school staff. The student will be required to wear loaner clothes or call home for a change of clothes.
- Second offense: The student's parent/guardian shall be contacted and may be asked to meet with school staff. The student will be required to wear loaner clothes or call home for a change of clothes. The student shall be assigned detention as determined appropriate by the principal or the designee.
- Third offense: The student's parent/guardian shall be contacted and may be asked to meet with school staff. The student will be required to wear loaner clothes or call home for a change of clothes. The principal or the designee shall assign the student ten hours of community service to be performed within thirty calendar days.
- Fourth and subsequent offenses: The student shall be suspended for a period of 1-5 days as determined by the principal or the designee.

# Order Your Yearbook Today!

Deadline to order  
is March 17, 2023



Prices:  
Soft Cover = \$25.00  
Hard Cover = \$30.00

A year worth  
*remembering*

order online at

<http://ybpay.lifetouch.com>

use code: 14852723

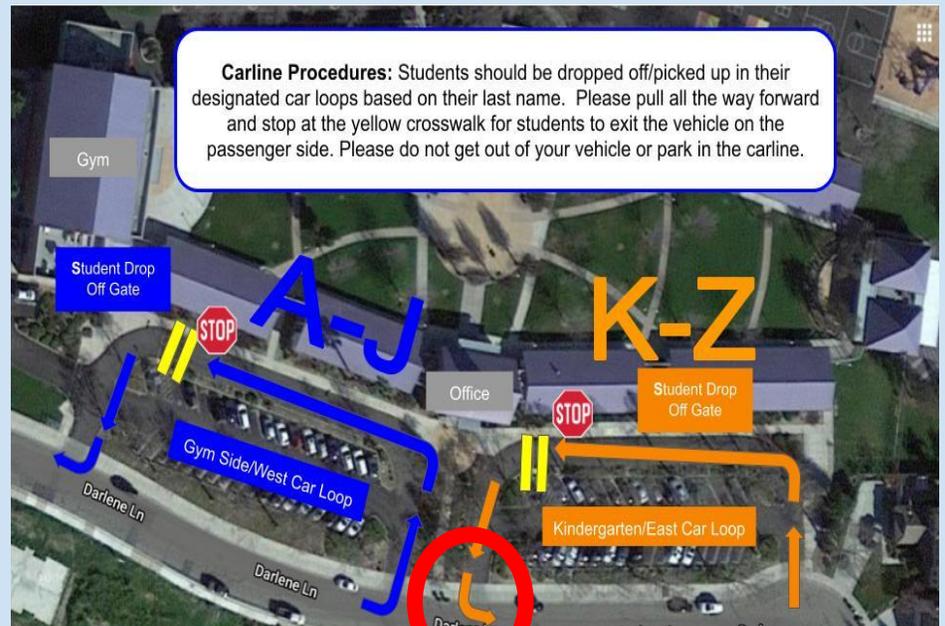


# Important Reminders

- **Do not send your child to school if he/she is not feeling well or has tested positive for COVID.** Please see the current COVID guidelines below. Call the office to report this and receive guidance. Telephone: 209-839-2380
- **Masks** - Masks are optional unless you are exposed to covid or have had a recent case. Please see the guidelines below.
- **Free Breakfast and Lunch** - We are offering FREE breakfast and lunch for all students. Students will place their orders with their classroom teachers daily. Breakfast will be served during morning recess, not before school. The cafeteria will not be serving food before school. Here is the [lunch menu](#). Students are still allowed to bring lunches from home. No lunch deliveries please.
- **Dismissal**- Thank you to all the families that have been following the drive through procedures. Following the directional arrows really helps keeps the cars moving. **Please do not pull through the parking area to drop off your student.** This causes a traffic flow issue when cars are pulling out of the drive through line.
  - Monday is a regular day. Please be sure to pick up your student on time.
    - TK-3 dismissed at 2:00
    - 4-8 dismissed at 3:00
  - Wednesday is a minimum day and all students are dismissed at 1:30
  - If you have to change the dismissal location for your child please contact the teacher so we can be sure your child is in the correct location after school.

**Please do not drop off and pick up students at the crosswalk area on the corner of Darlene and Glenbriar Circle.** This is dangerous for students and the crossing guard. It is also causing a traffic jam as Mr. Larry is trying to get students across the street safely.

**Carline** - Please do not pull into the parking lot area to drop off or pick up students. If you pull into the parking lot area you must park your car and walk your student using the crosswalk.



**LEFT TURN  
ONLY HERE**

# Hawkins Library News

## Today a Reader, Tomorrow a Leader



Tommy  
pawsitively  
loves  
reading!

**Library Classes  
Start on Monday  
8/29/22**

Please be sure to include both librarians on any email communication so that your request can be promptly expedited.

### Contact Your Librarians

(209) 839-2380 X 3062

Ms. Gentry-M, T, W

[lgentry@jsdtracy.com](mailto:lgentry@jsdtracy.com)

Mrs. Phipps- W, Th, F

[kphipps@jsdtracy.com](mailto:kphipps@jsdtracy.com)

### READING STACKS UP

#### What parents can do to encourage reading

- Continue to support children's learning and interest by visiting the library and bookstores with them
- Find ways to highlight children's progress in reading and writing
- Stay in regular contact with your child's teachers about activities and progress in reading and writing
- Encourage children to use and enjoy print for many purposes (such as recipes, directions, games, sports)
- Build a love of language in all its forms and engage children in conversation

**42 Best Books of 2022 by the School Library Journal.** [Best Books of 2022](#)

[Library Homepage](#)

[Library Resource Care and Expectations](#)

[JSD Chromebook Expectations and Fines](#)

[How to Pay Fines to the Office](#)

[Chromebook Troubleshooting Tips](#)

# Please read the most current COVID Guidelines for the Jefferson School District

## Student COVID Guidance

What do I do if my child has symptoms? Students with symptoms of COVID-19 infection will not be permitted to return for in-person instruction until they have met CDPH criteria to return to school for those with symptoms:

- Any student who develops new, unexplained symptoms should not return to campus until it is clear that symptoms are mild and improving or are due to a non-infectious cause (e.g., allergies). This includes waiting until 24 hours have passed since resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications.

- If symptoms are concerning for COVID-19, it is strongly recommended that students wear a mask and get tested immediately.

My child has been diagnosed with COVID-19. How long will they be out of school?

Students diagnosed with COVID-19 should follow recommendations listed below (as seen in Table 1 (Persons with COVID-19) of CDPH's guidance for the general public).

- Stay home for at least 5 days after the start of symptoms (or after the date of first positive test if no symptoms).

- Isolation can end after Day 5 if symptoms are not present or are resolving AND a test collected on Day 5 or later is negative.

- If unable to test, choosing not to test, or testing positive on Day 5 (or later), isolation can end after Day 10 if fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications.

- If fever is present, isolation should be continued until 24 hours after fever resolves. ● If symptoms, other than fever, are not resolving, continue to isolate until symptoms are resolving or until after Day 10. If symptoms are severe, or if the infected person is at high risk of serious disease, or if they have questions concerning care, infected persons should contact their healthcare provider for available treatments.

- Per CDPH masking guidance, infected persons should wear a well-fitting mask around others for a total of 10 days, especially in indoor settings (see masking section below for additional information).

## Masking

As noted above, infected persons should isolate for five days, and mask indoors and when around others during a full 10 days following symptom onset (or positive test if no symptoms). Exposed persons should mask for 10 days following an identified close contact to someone with COVID-19, especially high-risk contacts.

All persons wearing masks should optimize mask fit and filtration, ideally through use of a [respirator](#) (N95, KN95, KF94) or surgical mask. See [Get the Most out of Masking](#) and [Masking Tips for Children](#) (PDF) for more information.

# HPFC

E-mail: [TomHawkinsPFC@gmail.com](mailto:TomHawkinsPFC@gmail.com)

 [Tom Hawkins Huskies HPFC](#)

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**The Candy Monster has arrived at Tom Hawkins! Please feed him unopened peanut-free candy! The goodies from the Candy Monster will be used for the Fall Festival!**



**We are currently in need of adults to pass out all the treats that the Candy Monster is collecting! If this sounds like your kind of fun, please sign up for the classroom you would like to be at.**

[CLICK HERE](#)

**We also have our Amazon list!**

[CLICK HERE](#)

# October

Sunday

Tuesday

Thursday

Saturday

Monday

Wednesday

Friday

2	3	4 HPFC ACTIVITIES MEETING 3:30PM	5 NATIONAL WALK TO SCHOOL DAY	6	7	8
9	10	11 CHIPOTLE DINNER NIGHT OUT	12	13	14 FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS	15
16	17	18	19 HPFC GENERAL MEETING 6:30PM	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 FALL FESTIVAL	29
RED RIBBON WEEK						
30	31 HALLOWEEN					

## Important Links:

[ZOOM](#)

[FALL FESTIVAL  
AMAZON  
WISHLIST](#)

[FALL FESTIVAL  
VOLUNTEER SIGN UP](#)

[HPFC  
MAILING  
LIST](#)

[VOLUNTEER  
FORM](#)

[COMMITTEE  
HEAD SIGN UP](#)

WE CAN DO THIS!!! FOOD WITH INTEGRITY.  
COMMUNITY STARTS HERE. 25% TASTES MADE FRESH  
FOIL-WRAP GOODNESS. BETTER EVERY DAY  
GOODNESS. CAN CHANGE THE WORLD. SOMETHING DAY  
GENEROUS HELPING HANDS CAN CHANGE THE WORLD. A BETTHER  
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# DO GOOD WITH CHIPOTLE



CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR  
**HAWKINS PARENT  
FACULTY CLUB**

33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

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**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11TH | 4-8PM**  
2512 NAGLEE RD, TRACY, CA, 95304

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ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **4867KBZ**  
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT



For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.



HPFC PRESENTS

# *Festival of Lights!*



Join us for a wonderful cultural experience. Create your very own Diva, make a piece of Rangoli art, and paper lanterns!

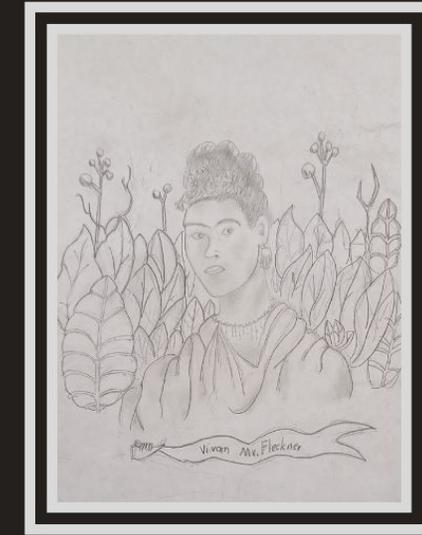
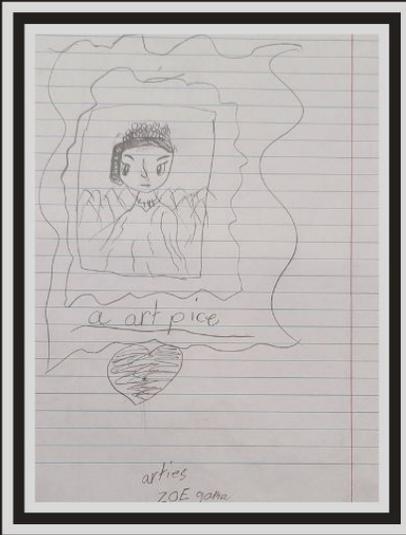
October 14th, 2022 @ 3PM-4PM in the Cafeteria

Email us at [TomHawkinsPFC@gmail.com](mailto:TomHawkinsPFC@gmail.com) if you have any questions!



# September Art Project

Thank you to all of our Huskies who created beautiful artwork!



These will be on display at the Art Crawl in April!

# H2O HACKATHON

## A CODING & MULTIMEDIA COMPETITION

**FREE  
EVENT**



**CASH  
PRIZES**



# HACK THE DROUGHT

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2022

Calling all Middle School, High School and College students seeking to become coders, social media influencers, marketing leaders, singers, poets, writers, historians, nature lovers, recreationists, future farmers, storytellers, scientists, and engineers...it's time to hack the drought.

**REGISTER NOW AT [H2OHACKATHON.ORG](https://H2OHACKATHON.ORG)**



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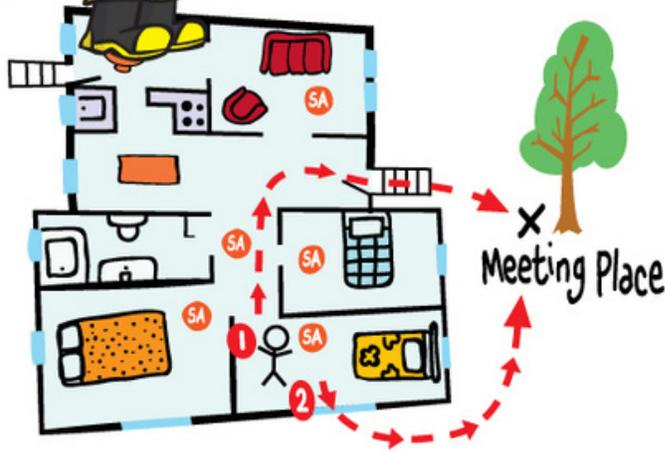


**CODESTACK**



# Fire won't wait.

Plan your  
escape at  
[fpw.org](http://fpw.org).



**FIRE  
PREVENTION  
WEEK™**

# SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

## FIRE WON'T WAIT

## PLAN YOUR ESCAPE DRAWING CONTEST

The contest is open to all Kindergarten through 5th Grade Students in Tracy and Banta.

\*\*Please see reverse side for details.





## FIRE WON'T WAIT PLAN YOUR ESCAPE POSTER CONTEST

### IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW

- October 6th: Posters must be turned in to your school or Fire Admin.
- October 9th to October 14th: Submissions will be voted on by South San Joaquin County Fire Authority staff and Firefighters.
- October 15th: Winners will be announced.

### GUIDELINES

- One entry per student
- Each poster must clearly state the NFPA Fire Prevention Week theme, but please AVOID including any personal information
- THE POSTER SIZE ACCEPTED is 8 1/2 inches by 11 inches
- No 3 dimensional objects over 1/2 inches thickness or height may be placed/affixed on the posters
- The following information must be placed on the back of the poster:
  - Student Name
  - Student Grade
  - Teacher or Parent Name
  - School or Home Address & Phone number

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO KNOW

- Submissions will be divided into 2 groups:
  - Primary: Kindergarten through 2nd Grade.
  - Intermediate: 3rd through 5th Grade.
- Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place.
- All winning posters will be displayed at South San Joaquin County Fire Authority's Administrative Offices for one year

\*Failure to follow all guidelines will lead to the poster submitted being automatically disqualified.



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**Scan to Learn More.**

# Know the Dangers of Fentanyl

With Halloween approaching it is more important than ever that parents inspect all candy and treats being provided to their children. Brightly-colored fentanyl, referred to as rainbow fentanyl, has been identified as a new trend in the United States by the DEA. Rainbow fentanyl can be found in many forms, including pills, powder, and blocks that can resemble sidewalk chalk or candy. Fentanyl can be disguised in Skittles, mints, and other hard candies. Rainbow fentanyl, like all forms of fentanyl, is extremely potent and dangerous.

Did you know that fentanyl overdose deaths are on the rise in San Joaquin County? Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid that is up to 50 times stronger than heroin and 100 times stronger than morphine. Fentanyl-laced drugs and fake prescription pills containing fentanyl are available online and in our communities. People often **don't know** that they are taking fentanyl or how much fentanyl a drug contains. Even in small doses, fentanyl can be deadly.

Too many San Joaquin County residents, including teens, have suffered from overdoses of fentanyl or other synthetic opioids. As part of a collaboration of education, law enforcement, public health, and other organizations, we are coming together to say that **enough is enough**. We need your help to keep youth safe from this dangerous drug. You can help by getting informed and **talking to your student about the dangers of fentanyl and drug use**.

- Just a few grains of fentanyl can be a lethal dose.
- Prescription fentanyl is a powerful medical synthetic opioid prescribed in carefully monitored dosage for extreme pain or end-of-life care.
- Counterfeit pills, obtained on the street or online, can contain deadly doses of fentanyl. They are made to resemble other prescription medications, such as OxyContin, Percocet, Vicodin, Xanax, or Adderall. They are available to anyone with a smartphone.
- In San Joaquin County, fentanyl-related overdose deaths among teens ages 15 to 19 increased by 300% between early 2020 and the first half of 2021. This age group has the second-highest rate of emergency department visits for fentanyl-related overdoses when compared to all other age groups, according to the most-recent data available.
- Providing drugs causing a fatal overdose may result in criminal prosecution.
- Signs of a fentanyl overdose include difficulty waking up, slowed breathing, confusion, and blue or pale lips and fingernails.
- If you think someone is overdosing, call 911 immediately. (Under state law, a person overdosing and the person calling for help are protected from legal trouble.) If available, administer Naloxone, a life-saving medication to reverse the effects of opioid overdose. It is available free to the public at [San Joaquin County Public Health Services](https://www.sjcopioidsafety.org).



**Fatal dose of fentanyl.**

The lethal potency of fentanyl and its easy availability increases the already risky behavior of recreational drug use. There is no such thing as a safe street drug, and it is dangerous to misuse prescription drugs. Be aware. Be informed. Be safe. Learn more about opioid use, where to get help, and the Fentanyl is Forever awareness campaign at [www.SJCopioidsafety.org](https://www.SJCopioidsafety.org).