



Opioid Curriculum Update

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Illinois Public Act 103-0810

- Starting in the 2024-2025 school year, public and non-public schools in the state of Illinois are required to include comprehensive instruction on the dangers of opioids and fentanyl.
- For students in grades K-8, this includes education on drug avoidance and recognizing the risks of substance abuse.
- In grades 9-12, curricula must cover fentanyl specifically, detailing its types, effects, and methods to detect and prevent overdoses.
- Instruction on fentanyl will be informed by federal health agencies and must be age-appropriate. Schools must assess students' understanding of this content.



SB2223 Louie's Law

- Mandates updates to Illinois' drug education and youth overdose prevention efforts. By July 1, 2024, the State Board of Education and the Department of Human Services must develop and distribute a Substance Use Prevention and Recovery Instruction Resource Guide for public elementary and secondary schools. This guide will offer age-appropriate, evidence-based materials on substance use prevention, including heroin and opioid abuse. It will also include interactive teaching resources, information on involving various stakeholders, and strategies for addressing substance use in a culturally sensitive manner. Schools may voluntarily participate in this program, which aims to use effective, research-based methods to educate students, parents, and staff about drug risks and prevention. The Department of Human Services may reimburse schools for costs related to program participation.



Lake County Opioid Curriculum

- Living Document that will be updated
- Resources pulled from many different sources (IDPH, LCHD, ISBE...)
- Aligned to the Illinois Learning Standards
- Designed using the Understanding Backwards Design Model
- Broken in to grade bands
 - K-2
 - 3-5
 - 6-8
 - 9-12



Backwards Design Model

Each unit has

- Desired Results
- Evidence and Assessment
- Learning Plan
- Rubrics



Implementation Plan

- Document will be shared after this meeting
- Will be sent to all school districts
- Curriculum Writers will provide assistance and training as needed
- Present on the Curriculum at the Countywide Institute Day



QUESTIONS?