

Ordinance 2025/26-51

Section 8-10.1. Drug, Alcohol, and Tobacco Education; fentanyl education required; program of instruction on opioid overdose prevention. — A. Suffolk Public Schools provides instruction concerning:

- (i) drugs and drug abuse;
- (ii) the public safety hazards and dangers of alcohol abuse, underage drinking, underage marijuana use, and drunk driving, and
- (iii) the health and safety risks of using tobacco products, nicotine vapor products, and alternative nicotine products, and
- (iv) gambling and the addictive potential thereof.

B. ~~Each school that includes grades nine through 12 annually distributes fentanyl education and awareness information developed by the Department of Education to each student in those grades within the first two weeks of school. The School Board provides a program of instruction on opioid overdose prevention and reversal in each secondary school with grades nine through 12, which includes instruction in identifying the signs of possible opioid overdose and training in the administration of an opioid antagonist for the reversal of a potentially life-threatening opioid overdose. The School Board determines the appropriate grade level to provide such program in grades nine through 12. High school students are to be encouraged to complete the opioid overdose prevention and reversal program of instruction prior to graduation.~~ (Adopted January 12, 1995; Revised June 9, 2016; Ordinance Number 15/16-72; Effective Date: July 1, 2016; Ordinance 19/20-42; Revised/Effective: December 12, 2019; Ordinance 22/23-8, Revised/Effective: November 10, 2022; Ordinance 22/23-96, Revised/Effective: June 8, 2023; Ordinance 24/25-61, Revised/Effective: November 14, 2024)

Legal Authority - Virginia Code §§ 22.1-206 and 22.1-206.01.