Hubingty Bulshaathy Qaaligy e,

Dhibaatithy iski bathiyowky daawithy maybuwa aring saameeyowty dadky ii reero ki sugung Vermont ii agygaarky wadangky. Too ku mid e siyaaboo bathang oo Vermont anku jiwaabaasy may buwaa inii naloxone si wiing langku heli gobolky oo dhang, oo ki jarang iskooloo K-12. Naloxone, sithaas oo kaleed lyng kasow Narcan®, is a buufisky daawithy sanky degdegy e taasoo badeli korto iska bathiyowky sababeeng daawithy hanungky (sithy daawithy daroogithy taqtarky haking qori amy daroogithy heriyon) oo haalad degdeg eh.

Nasiib faylahaang, Vermont guthaashe, maku jerny wal isky bathisky ngku dhimithi iskoolka hoosy, dhaha amy sarry. Sikastapy haato, daawithy fentanyl, synthetic opioid, may aathi hang lyngku heley saadky daawithy Vermont, oo ky jerrang [kaniiniyaalky beengty e oo lang suubiyi inii ang ekaathang sithy daawoyingky qoraalky rungty e](https://www.dea.gov/onepill).

Waahthy Aafimaatky Vermont, ii [dowlydy fatheraalky](https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/Letter-to-Schools.pdf), mey ky taliyaayena ini iskoolythy ing diyaar garoopang ku jawaabowky iska bathisky daroogithy luku shakiyi yeetho ly keythiyaw naloxone i ly tapaparry dadky sithi lyngku jowaapy isky bathisky darooghythy si naf lyng badbaathiyi. Iskoolky degmathaany/ururky kormeerowky ye rahe tallooyinkung oo galangty ky haayang naloxone haddi uny ing baahany ingti ku jawaapny haalydy degdegy e ee iski bathisky daroogithy.

Sithy saadkasty o gargaarky koowaat e o lyng istimaalow haalady degdeg aafimaatky, haysythowky meely daawathung nafty badbaathiyaasy may muhiim ing eta badqabky ardaytaany, maalamingty, shaqaalyghy, ii martithy. Shaqaalythy mey helly doonana tababar sithii lyngky aqoonsithy isky bathisky daroogythy ii sithii lyng istimaalaw naloxone. Muhiimmu ini ly ogaathy ini naloxone walyeely ing lahaayny, hataa haddii lyky isti'imaaly haalydy ing hayni iska bathiski daroogithy amy haddii darooghythy ing hayni.

Naloxone mey sithas oo kaleed luku heley meely bathang oo gobolky oo dhong e, oo ky jerrang farmashiyaalky qaarsho, ururuthy atheegy bulshaathy, bihiyaalky Atheeghythy Aafimaatky Degdegy e, oo may luku dalbathy kore onleengky oo iimeel ye lahangky dire. Mey wal bathang oo quseeyy naloxone ku barathy korte athy o booqoy websaydky Waahthy Aafimaatky (healthvermont.gov/naloxone). Haddii fathaasy ini baraty sithi lyngky helaw naloxone naftaa amy hubing ku mid e reerka e, tafathal booqoy [VTHelpLink.org](https://vthelplink.org/) amy ha weer 802-565-1000.

Tafathal kulu hiriir iskoolky walaagii su'aal eh.

Daa'adnimy,

Shaqaalyghy Iskoolky

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Dear Community Member,

The drug overdose crisis is an issue affecting people and families in Vermont and around the country. One of the many ways Vermont is responding is by making naloxone widely available throughout the state, including in K-12 schools. Naloxone, also known as Narcan®, is a emergency medication nasal spray that can reverse an overdose caused by an opioid drug (such as prescription pain medication or heroin) in an emergency.

Fortunately, in Vermont, there have been no fatal overdoses in elementary, middle or high schools. However, fentanyl, a synthetic opioid, is commonly found in Vermont’s drug supply, including in [fake pills made to look like real prescription medications](https://www.dea.gov/onepill).

The Vermont Department of Health, and [the federal government](https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/Letter-to-Schools.pdf), recommends schools be prepared to respond to a suspected opioid overdose by stocking naloxone and training people on how to respond to an opioid overdose to save a life. Our school district/supervisory union will follow these recommendations and have naloxone on hand in case we ever need to respond to an opioid overdose emergency.

As with any other first aid supply used in a medical emergency, having this life-saving medication on site is important for the safety of our students, faculty, staff, and visitors. Staff will receive training on how to recognize an opioid overdose and how to use naloxone. It is important to note that naloxone is not harmful, even if used in a situation where it is not an opioid overdose or when an opioid is not present.

Naloxone is also available at many locations throughout the state, including some pharmacies, social service organizations, Emergency Medical Services providers, and can now be ordered online and sent by mail. You can learn more about naloxone by visiting the Department of Health’s website (healthvermont.gov/naloxone). If you are interested in learning how to get naloxone for yourself or a family member, please visit [VTHelpLink.org](https://vthelplink.org/) or call 802-565-1000.

Please contact the school with any questions.

Sincerely,

School Staff

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