

Horton Police, schools, take opioid overdose precautions

(KAIR)--The South Brown County Schools of USD 430 are ready should an overdose occur at one of the three district schools.

According to a release from the Horton Police Department, they and the school district “have been diligently working together to provide an up to date policy regarding Naloxone administration.” The drug, commonly known by the brand name Narcan, is used to reverse or reduce the effects of opioids if an overdose occurs.

The release, citing what it calls “the ever-growing Fentanyl crisis that we are seeing,” says “now is the best time to put that policy in place and provide accessible Naloxone to our three schools, adding that it “is essential in providing lifesaving medical care to a person who has overdosed on any opioid, including Fentanyl.”

The release calls implementation of the policy a goal of Horton Police Chief Jon Boller, adding that having the medication at the ready “is just another tool to maintain the safety and well-being of our students and staff.”

The release notes that “currently, the Horton Police Department carries Narcan while on shift and officers are trained in administering the drug.”

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