

## HOUSE BILL No. 2709

By Representatives Martinez and Melton

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1 AN ACT concerning school districts; relating to drug abuse awareness  
2 education programs; establishing fentanyl poisoning awareness week;  
3 requiring the state board of education to designate such week each  
4 school year and develop statewide standards for instruction to certain  
5 students on the abuse of and addiction to fentanyl and other opioids;  
6 requiring school districts to provide such instruction during such week.  
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8 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

9 Section 1. (a) In order to educate students about the dangers posed by  
10 the drug fentanyl and other opioids and the risks of opioid poisoning,  
11 including overdose, each school year the state board of education shall  
12 designate a week to be known as fentanyl poisoning awareness week for  
13 each public school offering any of the grades six through 12.

14 (b) The state board of education shall develop statewide standards on  
15 age-appropriate instruction on the prevention of the abuse of and addiction  
16 to fentanyl and other opioids. Such standards shall be distributed to each  
17 school district.

18 (c) During fentanyl poisoning awareness week students shall receive  
19 age-appropriate instruction on the prevention of the abuse of and addiction  
20 to fentanyl and other opioids. The board of education of each school  
21 district shall adopt policies and procedures in accordance with the  
22 standards adopted by the state board of education to provide such  
23 instruction to students enrolled in grades six through 12. The instruction  
24 provided during the week shall include:

25 (1) Prevention of the abuse of and addiction to fentanyl and other  
26 opioids;

27 (2) awareness of school and community resources available to help  
28 with abuse and addiction issues and how to access such resources;

29 (3) education on over-the-counter opioid antagonist medications and  
30 how such medications are administered; and

31 (4) health education that includes information on general substance  
32 use and abuse and youth substance use and and abuse.

33 (d) The board of education may provide the instruction required by  
34 this section as a part of any other drug abuse awareness and prevention  
35 program. Such instruction may be provided by public or private third-party  
36 organizations or law enforcement agencies.

1       Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
2       publication in the statute book.