Fullerton School District 1401 W Valencia Drive Fullerton CA 92833 Attn: Dr. Chad Hammitt

August 16, 2023

The Honorable Maria D. Hernandez Presiding Judge Orange County Superior Court 700 Civic Center Drive West Santa Ana, CA 92701

Re: Fullerton School School District's Response to the 2022-23 Orange County Grand Jury Report: "Russian Roulette: Fentanyl in Orange County"

To the Honorable Maria D. Hernandez:

In accordance with California Penal Code sections 933 and 933.05, the Orange County Grand Jury has requested that the Fullerton School District respond to findings and recommendations in the 2022-2023 Orange County Grand Jury report entitled "Russian Roulette: Fentanyl in Orange County," published on June 21, 2023. Below are the responses of the Fullerton School District, as approved by the Board of Education on August 15, 2023.

| F# | Finding  | Agree/ Disagree  | Response And Explanation (if Required) |
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| F2 | Illicit fentanyl is a pervasive problem in Orange County.  | The Fullerton<br>School District<br>agrees with this<br>finding. |  |
| F7 | Orange County will benefit by establishing<br>a chartered multi-agency Task Force to<br>address the fentanyl crisis in Orange<br>County.                                     | The Fullerton<br>School District<br>agrees with this<br>finding. |  |
| F8 | As long as there is a demand, producers<br>will find ways to supply drugs. Orange<br>County cannot law enforce its way out of<br>the fentanyl crisis. Education, prevention, | The Fullerton<br>School District<br>agrees with this<br>finding. |  |

|     | and treatment are critical to reducing demand.  |  |  |
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| F9  | There is a need to increase public<br>awareness and acknowledgement of the<br>risks of illicit fentanyl.                  | The Fullerton<br>School District<br>agrees with this<br>finding. |  |
| F10 | Some educational institutions are not<br>participating in available educational and<br>preventive fentanyl/drug programs. | The respondent<br>disagrees<br>partially with the<br>finding.    | Partially Disagrees: While we cannot<br>speak to every educational<br>institution, the Fullerton School<br>District has provided a number<br>educational and preventative<br>fentanyl/drug programs. All junior<br>high school aged students were<br>provided with a Fentanyl educational<br>and prevention assembly at each<br>junior high and K-8 schools.<br>Presentations on Fentanyl were<br>provided at District wide parent<br>meetings including: PTA, Champions<br>for Learning, English Learners<br>Advisory Committee, Block Parties,<br>Champions for Learning Parent<br>Conference, among others. In<br>addition the Fullerton School District<br>will continue to provide these<br>educational and preventative<br>fentanyl/drug programs. As part of<br>Red Ribbon week, we provide<br>students with lessons on substance<br>recognition and avoidance, including<br>Fentanyl. Additionally, the Fullerton<br>School District was the first<br>elementary district in Orange County<br>to supply Narcan in the school<br>offices at all 20 of our schools in<br>addition to our before and after<br>school programs offices. This<br>ensures that all schools have<br>Narcan available and staff trained to<br>administer it anytime students are on<br>campus. |

Please see below for the responses to each required Recommendation as requested in the Orange County Grand Jury report and attached cover letter.

| R # | Recommendation | Implementation | Response And Explanation (if |
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| R1 | By January 1, 2024, the Orange County<br>Board of Supervisors should charter a<br>multi-agency Task Force to address the<br>fentanyl crisis. (F2, F7, F8, F9)  | The<br>recommendation<br>has not yet been<br>implemented, but<br>will be<br>implemented in<br>the future, with a<br>timeframe for<br>implementation. | The implementation of this<br>recommendation is dependant upon<br>the Orange County Board of<br>Supervisors and the timeline they<br>establish for this multi-agency task<br>force.   |
| R5 | By January 1, 2024, the Orange County<br>Department of Education should develop<br>a model fentanyl/opioid prevention<br>educational program to be offered to all<br>K-12 school districts in Orange County.<br>(F2, F8, F9, F10)  | The<br>recommendation<br>has not yet been<br>implemented, but<br>will be<br>implemented in<br>the future, with a<br>timeframe for<br>implementation. | The implementation of this<br>recommendation is dependant upon<br>the Orange County Board of<br>Education and the timeline they<br>establish for the model<br>Fentanyl/opioid prevention<br>education program.                                |
| R6 | By October 1, 2023, the Orange County<br>Department of Education should promote<br>the use of currently established and<br>in-place fentanyl and drug-related<br>educational programs offered by OC<br>agencies such as Health Care Agency,<br>OC Sheriff's Department, and<br>non-governmental organizations to all<br>K-12 school districts in Orange County.<br>(F2, F8, F9, F10) | The<br>recommendation<br>has not yet been<br>implemented, but<br>will be<br>implemented in<br>the future, with a<br>timeframe for<br>implementation. | The implementation of this<br>recommendation is dependant upon<br>the Orange County Board of<br>Education and the timeline they<br>establish with the providers and<br>partner agencies of fentanyl and<br>drug-related educational programs. |

Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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