



**Associated Students, SJSU, Board of Directors' Resolution 23/24-03
RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF “MANDATORY OPIOID OVERDOSE REVERSAL
TRAINING”**

- Whereas,** It is the mission of Associated Students at San José State University to represent the students of San José State University and continually improve the quality of their educational opportunities and experience; and
- Whereas,** Associated Students (A.S.) is the official voice of over 36,000 students at San José State University (SJSU); and
- Whereas,** San José State University expects students to comply with Federal, State, and Local laws about illicit drug use¹; and
- Whereas,** Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid drug that is 50 times stronger than heroin and 100 times stronger than morphine as a painkiller²; and
- Whereas,** Illegally made fentanyl (IMF) is often mixed with drugs like heroin, cocaine, methamphetamines, or disguised to look like prescription opioids³; and
- Whereas,** Fake pills that are marketed as prescription medications like Adderall and Xanax are typically laced with fentanyl⁴; and
- Whereas,** College students will typically use drugs like cocaine, MDMA, Adderall, LSD, and painkillers as a result of academic stress, social reasons, or accessibility of illicit drugs⁵; and
- Whereas,** Student athletes are more likely to use stimulants and prescription opioids than their non-athletic counterparts⁶; and
- Whereas,** College students in fraternities and sororities are more at risk for drug use than any other student demographic⁷; and

¹ Health Policies

<https://catalog.sjsu.edu/content.php?catoid=13&navoid=5007>

² Fentanyl

<https://www.dea.gov/factsheets/fentanyl>

³ Fentanyl Facts

<https://www.cdc.gov/stopoverdose/fentanyl/index.html>

⁴ Fake Pills

<https://www.campusdrugprevention.gov/sites/default/files/2022-09/Fake%20Pills%20Fact%20Sheet-9-13-22.pdf>

⁵ Substance Abuse in College Students: Statistics & Rehab Treatment

<https://americanaddictioncenters.org/rehab-guide/college>

⁶ Substance Use and Addiction in Athletes: The Case for Neuromodulation and Beyond

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC9735488/>

⁷ Drinking and Drug Abuse in Greek Life

<https://www.addictioncenter.com/college/drinking-drug-abuse-greek-life/>



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- Whereas,** The role of a Residential Advisor (RA) is to create a safe environment for students in the residential community⁸; and
- Whereas,** RAs have the right to enter an area occupied by residents to handle an emergency, health issue, or safety concern as they deem necessary⁹; and
- Whereas,** In the U.S., the leading cause of death for adults ages 18 - 45 is fentanyl¹⁰; and
- Whereas,** Naloxone, or Narcan is a medication that can be used to reverse opioid overdoses to drugs like fentanyl¹¹; and
- Whereas,** California law requires the California State University (CSU) system to educate students on opioid overdose and where opioid overdose reversal medication is located¹²; and
- Whereas,** Fentanyl testing strips are strips of paper that can detect traces of fentanyl in many kinds of drugs¹³; and
- Whereas,** California law requires the CSU to provide information on how to use fentanyl testing strips and their location¹⁴; and
- Whereas,** Fentanyl Prevention and Awareness Day is on August 21st¹⁵; and be it
- Resolved,** That SJSU Associated Students stands in support of Mandatory Opioid Overdose Reversal Training; and be it further

⁸ Residential Advisor (RA)

https://www.sjsu.edu/housing/docs/reslife/ay-2024-2025-employment-opportunities/AY-2024-2025_Resident_Adviser_RA.pdf

⁹ Community Living Handbook 2023-2024, pg 58

<https://www.sjsu.edu/housing/docs/commlihbk2324.pdf>

¹⁰ The Fentanyl Epidemic: Experts Discuss Impact On College Students, UH Vaccine

<https://www.campusdrugprevention.gov/fentanyl-epidemic-experts-discuss-impact-college-students-uh-vaccine>

¹¹ Lifesaving Naloxone

<https://www.cdc.gov/stopoverdose/naloxone/index.html>

¹² California Senate Bill 367

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB367

¹³ Fentanyl Test Strips: A Harm Reduction Strategy

<https://www.cdc.gov/stopoverdose/fentanyl/fentanyl-test-strips.html>

¹⁴ CA Assembly Bill 461

<https://legiscan.com/CA/text/AB461/id/2844750>

¹⁵ Fentanyl Prevention and Awareness Day Resolution Unanimously Passes Senate

<https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/fentanyl-prevention-and-awareness-day-resolution-unanimously-passes-senate>



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- Resolved,** That SJSU Associated Students urges students at San José State University to learn about overdose prevention and how to administer Narcan; and be it further
- Resolved,** That SJSU Associated Students demands San José State University to mandate Narcan training for three (3) Student Athletes per sports team as designated by the coach; and be it further
- Resolved,** That SJSU Associated Students demands San José State University to mandate Narcan training for Executive Members of Club Sports at the start of their terms; and be it further
- Resolved,** That SJSU Associated Students demands San José State University to mandate Narcan training for Executive Members of Greek organizations at the start of their terms; and be it further
- Resolved,** That SJSU Associated Students highly recommends all RAs, Executive Members of Greek organizations, and Student Athletes to have Narcan in their possession; and be it further
- Resolved,** That SJSU Associated Students urges San José State University to recognize Fentanyl Prevention and Awareness Day; and be it further
- Resolved,** That SJSU Associated Students urges San José State University to host an event, in collaboration with the Wellness Center, providing information on overdose prevention, how to use fentanyl testing strips, and other resources; and be it finally
- Resolved,** That Associated Students will make this document public and will forward this resolution to all affected parties, including, but not limited to: all board members of the **CSU Board of Trustees, Mildred Garcia (Chancellor, CSU), Cynthia Teniente-Matson (President of San José State University), Members of the President's Cabinet, Jennifer Malutta (Chief of Staff), Mari Fuentes-Martin (Interim Vice President for Student Affairs), Jahmal Williams (Director of Advocacy for Racial Justice), Patience Bryant (Interim Deputy Diversity Officer), Kristin Dukes (Chief Diversity Officer), Jon Tucker (Director of Student Involvement), Mai Mai Cantos (Director of Strategic Initiatives), Nnenna Abaeze (Director of Health Services), Jeff Konya (Director of Athletics), Vincent Del Casino (Provost of San José State University), Charlie Faas (Vice President and Chief Financial Officer), California State Student Association Board of Directors, Ro Khanna (U.S. Congressman, 17th District), Zoe Lofgren (U.S.**



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**Passed and Adopted by the Associated Students of San José State
University Board of Directors at a regular meeting held February
28, 2024 by a vote of 11-Yea 0-Nay 0-Abstention 1-Absent**

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