

THE ROEPER SCHOOL

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To Whom It May Concern:

I wholeheartedly recommend presentations conducted by Fentanyl Fathers for upper and older middle-school students. We hosted Fentanyl Fathers at the Roeper School on March 26, 2025, and they delivered a 50-minute program to our students in Grades 8-12. The presentation was authentic, informative, and held the attention of our audience from start to finish.

The presentation balanced emotional testimonials from impacted families with clear information on the science of fentanyl poisoning and the steps individuals can take to recognize signs of overdoses and provide counter measures. Their data was engaging, factually sound, and presented without scare tactics or hyperbole. The team from Fentanyl Fathers was confident and capable in pacing their presentation, fielding questions from students, and keeping the tone of the presentation empowering despite the tragic nature of the stories they shared. The response to the event from our student body, faculty, and families was overwhelmingly positive. Several students approached me after the event to thank us for hosting the presentation and giving attention to this crisis.

In the lead-up to the event, Mike Gillette partnered with us to ensure that the program would meet the needs of our community. He was responsive to our questions about how to best prepare our students and families for the sensitive nature of the presentations, and although we ended up not requesting any changes to their program, he was receptive to adapting the content to be most appropriate for our student body. He and his team were willing to do whatever was necessary to ensure that the presentation was a success for our community.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you would like to further discuss our experience with Fentanyl Fathers. I am confident that the presentation made our community safer, stronger, and more compassionate, and I am grateful for the time and energy of these advocates in bringing this important message to young people.

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