

## **Frenchtown Community Coalition**

Working to create a healthy, engaged, and unified community for the youth of Frenchtown

## Should You Be Concerned About Your Child's Halloween Candy?

You've probably seen news stories and social media posts about drugs in candy. Like all things spooky, these terrifying stories seem to only appear as we get closer to Halloween. So, should you be concerned about your child's Halloween candy? The short answer: no. While it's absolutely okay to check your child's candy after trick-or-treating, chances are, if the candy is clearly recognizable and unopened, then you likely have nothing to be concerned about. Keep in mind, too, that local authorities will notify the public of any concerns regarding drug-laced candy.

Outside of Halloween, it's always a good idea to keep an eye out for any suspicious candy. Colorful counterfeit pills, known as "rainbow fentanyl," have hit the illicit drug trade and are in Montana. Anyone, of any age, can purchase these and other counterfeit pills on applications like Snapchat. Unfortunately, many of these drugs are laced with fentanyl, a lethal synthetic opioid. To protect your family from an accidental opioid overdose, be sure to have Naloxone (Narcan) on hand! You can request Narcan by emailing FTCC@ftbroncs.org.

Also be aware that many edibles (THC-infused candy/food) may look like legitimate candy. While it is unlikely to receive edibles while Trick-or-Treating, kids can get their hands on these products very easily any time of the year. If you look at the wrapper closely, you'll quickly see that this is not a normal box or bag of candy, especially if it shows the THC percentage in the candy. If you see something questionable, remove it, and talk to your kids.

Children can also mistake medications for candy. Be sure to lock up ALL of your medications, including prescriptions, over-the-counter medicines, and cough syrups! If you need a medication lock bag, you can request one at FTCC@ftbroncs.org. Remember to regularly go through your medicine cabinets and properly dispose of any prescription and over-the-counter medications and cough syrups that you no longer need. There is a big, blue drug disposal box at the Frenchtown Granite Pharmacy. To find the prescription disposal box closest to you, visit: FrenchtownCommunityCoalition.com.



## **FESTIVAL**

& OUTDOOR MOVIE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2023

OVER 20 CARNIVAL GAMES, COSTUME CONTESTS, PIE-BAKING CONTESTS, CAKE WALKS, PRIZES, FOOD, AND MORE!

Frenchtown High School Football Field 17620 Frenchtown Frontage Road Frenchtown, MT 59834

Carnival: 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Movie starts at 7:00 p.m.

Carnival Game Tickets: 25¢ each Movie: \$3/person or \$10/family

All proceeds support the Frenchtown Youth Leadership Committee!



If you have questions or would like to join the Frenchtown Community Coalition, please contact FTCC@ftbroncs.org or call 406-626-2772

