



Sacred Heart Medical Center
PeaceHealth

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Dear Mr. Chinn,

Sacred Heart Medical Center is pleased to invite your schools to take advantage of Trauma Nurses Talk from the Heart, a free community education program emphasizing safety. The goal of the program is to give students the tools they need to recognize and avoid potentially harmful situations and to promote consistent and correct use of helmets and safety belts.

This age-appropriate presentation aims to impress upon children the severity of the consequences associated with risky, careless behavior. An Emergency Department trauma nurse will share with your students a PowerPoint presentation illustrating the potential results of careless behavior and explaining how it's possible to prevent injury through safe, smart practices.

Through this program, Sacred Heart has secured donations to fund helmets for children whose families may not be able to afford them. If you know of students who do not have helmets and could benefit from this offer, please let me know in advance, or let the trauma nurse know during the school visit. They'll have vouchers on hand, redeemable at any Paul's Bicycle Way of Life location.

The trauma nurse will need a screen for the PowerPoint presentation, and if possible a projector and laptop, although we can supply those if necessary. Presentations last about 30 minutes, and it's best to limit group size to 50 or fewer. With enough advance notice, our nurses can speak in multiple classes on the same day.

Sacred Heart believes this presentation is both beneficial and appropriate; however, we recommend informing parents beforehand that their children will be involved in a trauma presentation.

If you have questions or would like to arrange a time for a trauma nurse to visit your school, please contact me at AWilliams5@peacehealth.org or 541-686-6857. We look forward to the opportunity to share our injury prevention message with your students.

Sincerely,

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