



September 17, 2024

Hello Slade families,

I am writing to inform you of an incident that occurred yesterday at Slade Bridges and reassure you that everyone is safe.

Yesterday, Monday, September 16, 2024, Slade administrators were notified that three students had ingested cannabis edibles and had a severe reaction. The New Britain Police Department (NBPD) and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) were called as well as the students' families.

CSDNB has strict policies against the possession, use, sale, or distribution of drugs and alcohol and we take any violation of these policies seriously. Students who violate these policies shall be eligible to school discipline, up to and including expulsion, in accordance with the Board's policies on student discipline, suspension and expulsion, and consistent with state and federal law. We ask all parents and guardians to search your child's bag on a regular basis to ensure that they are not carrying something inappropriate to school that could be a danger to themselves or others.

We want to assure you that appropriate action is being taken to address this matter. The Slade administration team acted quickly and will continue to investigate this incident and will take appropriate action against those involved. We thank the NBPD and EMS for our continued strong partnership and their quick response.

We understand situations like these can be unsettling. Please know we will take every precaution necessary to ensure the safety of our school community and remain confident there is no concern for our school at this time. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our main office at 860.225.6395.

Thank you,

*Kerri-Lynn Major*

Principal

Slade Middle School