

PURPOSE: To ensure all student and staff safety and well-being by providing accessible emergency first aid kits in the MSMS buildings.

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MISSISSIPPI SCHOOL FOR MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE SENATE:

SECTION ONE (REASONING):

MSMS is an academic and social beacon for students from all backgrounds state-wide. With MSMS being our “home away from home”, injuries are prone to happen. Having emergency first aid kits readily available around the MSMS campus is crucial. In case of an injury or medical emergency, a first aid kit allows for quick treatment, potentially reducing the severity of the situation.

An integral part of MSMS is its center hub, Hooper building. Hooper is where most of the academic classrooms are located, along with the counselors' offices. Hooper Auditorium is the site of many after-school extracurricular meetings, where most club meetings occur. Office hours and tutorials are held in this building. Kits in the Hooper lobby will enhance safety and ensure accessibility.

While the Honorable Mrs. Nisa, also serving as the Academic Administrative Assistant, tends to have most necessities in her office, she is not always present. In case of emergencies and injuries during tutorial hours or days when she is absent, having accessible emergency first aid kits is significant for the MSMS community. Additionally, the dormitory buildings are a walk from Hooper, and not accessible in times of emergency. Whether it be physical injuries, or stress-related issues such as fainting, panic attacks, or other sudden conditions- immediate access to first aid supplies can mitigate many issues. By doing this, MSMS will be prepared for a wide range of potential emergencies, safeguarding the well-being of our community.

SECTION TWO (APPENDIX):

Response 1 (Anonymous): You guys hurt yourselves often enough that a first aid kit in every building is essential.

Response 2 (Anonymous): I know that adding first aid kits throughout Hooper can help with students' day-to-day. I know I had an experience, even as little as a splinter, but I couldn't get it out without a first aid kit handy.

Response 3 (Anonymous): I didn't know we didn't have first-aid kits in accessible locations like Hooper; it seems standard in other schools to do so, so I don't get why it isn't here. Knowing I had access to first-aid kits in case of an emergency would make me feel a lot safer, just in case.

Response 4 (Anonymous): I think that implementing first aid kits in the academic setting will help prevent many potential incidents that could progressively get worse. It is also very

comforting to know that if anything were to happen, we would have things to make injuries better.

Response 5 (Anonymous): I think first aid kits should be added to Hooper. For starters, we have a lot of clumsy kids, and we deal with things such as acids during chemistry labs. Having kits on hand can be very helpful even if it is for something as little as a paper cut. You never know what might happen.

Response 6 (Anonymous): First-aid kits seem like such a common thing to find in places such as schools, so I didn't take notice that we don't have any. It's a great bill; I don't see why anyone would disagree.

Response 7 (Anonymous): Having first aid kits available at MSMS is common sense. Accidents happen all the time, and having quick access to basic medical supplies could make a huge difference in how fast someone gets help. It's a simple step to make MSMS safer for everyone.