



# SPRING GARDEN MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

We want to provide you with information regarding a medical incident that occurred at Spring Garden this morning.

Several students came to the nurse's office feeling ill. With further discussion it was determined that they may have ingested an unknown prescription drug. We responded immediately by notifying emergency medical personnel, parents of the students reporting symptoms, as well as our School Resource Officer, Juvenile Officers, and the St. Joseph Police Department.

Emergency medical personnel were dispatched to Spring Garden. Initial medical assessments were performed by EMS on eight students. All were transported to Heartland Regional Health Center by ambulance, accompanied by the school nurse and principal. An additional student was transported to the hospital by her parent.

The St. Joseph Police Department, along with school officials, is investigating the source of the prescription drugs.

Remember, our most important concern is for the safety and well being of our students. Therefore, we encourage you to have a frank discussion with your child regarding the dangers of drug use.

We appreciate your concern and cooperation in this matter.

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