

MEMORANDUM

To: Superintendents and Principals

From: Stephen Balko, Director of School Building Security

Date: June 5, 2020

Re: House Enrolled Act (HEA) 1063 – School Safety Equipment Guidance

Per HEA 1063 from the 2019 legislative session, beginning with the 2020 – 2021 school year and, *subject to an appropriation, gifts necessary to purchase the bleeding control kits, or a donation of kits*, a school shall develop and implement a Stop the Bleed program. Included in the Stop the Bleed program are the following requirements:

- Definition of Bleeding Control Kit, to include:
 - One tourniquet (endorsed by the Committee on Tactical Combat Casualty Care)
 - A compression bandage
 - A bleeding control bandage
 - Protective gloves and a permanent marker
 - Scissors
 - Instructional documents developed by the national awareness campaign of the United States Department of Homeland Security or the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma, or both
 - Other medical, materials and equipment similar to those described, and any additional items that are approved by local law enforcement or first responders, can adequately treat a traumatic injury, and can be stored in a first aid kit
- A program must:
 - Include each school building in the corporation
 - Require bleeding control kits be assigned to designated rooms in easily accessible locations to be determined by local first responders or the school safety specialist
 - Include bleeding control kits in the emergency plans of the school corporation or charter school, including the presentation and use of the bleeding control kits in all drills and emergencies
 - Provide that all school corporations and charter schools have a minimum of five individuals in each school building who obtain appropriate training in the use of the bleeding control kit

If a school has received a gift for the purchase of bleeding control kits, or were donated kits then the requirements in this law would apply. The Indiana Department of Education collaborated with the Indiana

Hospital Association, Indiana Department of Homeland Security, and Indiana Volunteer Firefighters Association to ensure schools are provided kits and have access to training. For more information about receiving kits and training, please visit <https://www.in.gov/dhs/4095.htm>. Exercise caution when conducting in-person training during the COVID-19 pandemic. Follow all Centers for Disease Control and Indiana State Department of Health in relation to public gatherings and social distancing.

Contact Stephen Balko at 317-232-4914 or e-mail him at sbalko@doe.in.gov with any questions.

This bill was authored by Rep. Randall Frye. The full text of the bill can be found [here](#). Information regarding how to contact your legislators can be found [here](#).