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Heart Safe School Networking Group

Are you one of our rock star Heart Safe School nurses? If so, we invite you to join our Project ADAM Heart Safe School Networking Group on Facebook. This group was created as a professional forum and platform to share Project ADAM Heart Safe School ideas, discuss barriers, give and receive support from other Heart Safe School nurses and coordinators. Not a Heart Safe School nurse? Share it with your child's school nurse! Click on the picture below to check it out.





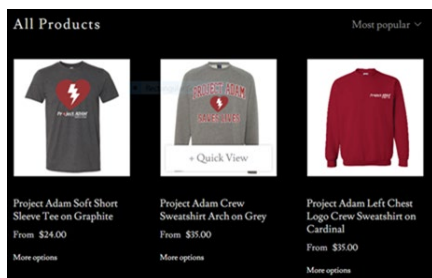
HEARTS Act Signed Into Law

In December, President Biden signed the HEARTS Act, paving the way for schools to eventually access grant funding for Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) and CPR/AED training. Other elements include AED placement and Cardiac Emergency Response Plan (CERP) development with an emphasis on student access to AEDs and CPR training in public elementary and secondary schools. Next, the bill will go through appropriations and have specific funding applied to it before the law can be implemented. Project ADAM has been in touch with legislators who introduced the bill, including Sen. Chuck Schumer (D-N.Y.). Direct from Buffalo Bills safety Damar Hamlin, "We all came together to make some legacy off the field. I always wanted to, in my life, leave a legacy on the field, but to have a legacy and have meaning and purpose off the field." Click on the picture below to read more.



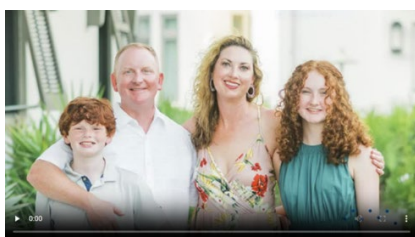
Project ADAM Store Is Now Open

Thanks to Project ADAM Kentucky Children's Program Coordinator Mindy Seeberger, we now have an official Project ADAM store! Treat yourself today and buy a tee, quarter zip or sweatshirt and represent our nationwide movement to save more lives. Don't miss out! It's only open for a limited time and will close on March 15th at midnight EST so get your order in today. Click on the picture below to shop online.



Hero Spotlight: Prosper Teen Saved After Nearly 30 Minutes Without Heartbeat

15-year-old Grant Ketzle was without a heartbeat for 26 minutes and 29 seconds in the emergency room at Cook Children's Prosper Medical Center. It all began one morning at football practice with the feeling that he was going to pass out. Another trip to the emergency department at Prosper and two trips to Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth later, Grant has recovered and Cook Children's electrophysiology cardiologist Dr. Madani hopes Grant's arrhythmia is cured. Click on the picture below to read Grant's story.



Heart Safe School Spotlight



We're only 2 months into 2025 and are proud to welcome 7 new Heart Safe Schools into our Project ADAM program at Cook Children's. Congratulations to all of you!

Snyder Intermediate School
Fort Worth Academy
Littlefield Junior High School
Walnut Grove Elementary

Hilltop Elementary
Bea Salazar Learning Center
Coppell High School



THANK YOU!

We couldn't do it without you.



Project ADAM's mission is to educate school systems, nurses, coaches, trainers, parents, and others about pediatric sudden cardiac death. Project ADAM helps implement public access defibrillation programs (PAD) across Texas and the nation. Our goal is to increase awareness of sudden cardiac death and establish emergency programs that provide a timely and lifesaving response. Since 2011, our Project ADAM program at Cook Children's has recognized 775 Heart Safe Schools and 28 Heart Safe School Districts.

