

Governor Mifflin School District

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Governor Mifflin and The Friends of the Reading Hospital to announce innovative life-saving partnership

Who: Governor Mifflin School District and The Friends of the Reading Hospital

What: A press conference will be held to introduce a first-of-its-kind initiative in Berks County. The Governor Mifflin School District will become the first local school district to equip its athletic fields with life-saving Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs). The district, in partnership with the Friends of the Reading Hospital, purchased six AEDs and protective outdoor cases to be installed at the Governor Mifflin Stadium, Multipurpose Field, softball field, Rulon Griffith baseball field, tennis courts, and Brecknock athletic fields. The cost of the AEDs was largely covered by donations from the Governor Mifflin Music Association, Governor Mifflin Booster Club, Mifflin Broncos football organization, and the Shillington Legion, all who use the district fields regularly. The devices were purchased at a reduced cost through the Friends of the Reading Hospital.

“Our students and our community use our athletic fields regularly after hours and on the weekends when our buildings are locked. In the event that a spectator, community member, or athlete would suffer a cardiac event at one of our facilities, every second counts in providing a better chance for survival. So when one of our parents suggested the installation of an outdoor AED, we were fortunate to have the backing of our partner organizations, who helped us provide these life-saving devices at six of our most-used facilities,” said Governor Mifflin Assistant Superintendent Rick Wolf.

During the press conference, media will be able to get photos and video of one of the new AEDs being installed at the Multipurpose Field. Governor Mifflin administrators, members of the district’s partner organizations, and Friends of the Reading Hospital will also be available for interviews.

When: Friday, March 18 at 12:00 p.m.

Where: Governor Mifflin Multipurpose Field (across from the Education Center)
10. S. Waverly Street, Shillington, PA

(In the event of inclement weather, the press conference will be held in the Education Center)

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