

## **As Part of a Class Action Settlement, Your School District May be Eligible to Apply for Funding to Abate or Mitigate the Effects of the Opioid Crisis in your District**

*A federal court authorized this Notice.*

*You are not being sued. And this is not a solicitation from a lawyer.*

A class action lawsuit has been brought on behalf of a Class of approximately 2,500 school districts nationwide. The Parties have negotiated a proposed Settlement to resolve the case. Your school district may be a member of the Class and could benefit from the Settlement.

The lawsuit was filed by the Marshall and Wetzel County Boards in West Virginia, in federal court in West Virginia. But these two West Virginia districts (the “Plaintiffs”) also represent a Class of approximately 2,500 similarly situated school districts across the country.

The lawsuit alleges Sackler family members who served on the board of the opioid manufacturer Purdue Pharma L.P. (“Defendants”) were primary architects of Purdue’s scheme to deceptively market and “turbocharge” opioid sales. The lawsuit alleges that school budgets have been significantly strained by the need to support students exposed to opioids before birth, those affected by family members’ opioid use, and students struggling with addiction themselves. It seeks damages for the financial impact on already overstretched school districts. The Defendants dispute these allegations and deny any legal responsibility.

### **Who is Included?**

Your school district is a member of the Class if: (a) your district has more than 5,000 enrolled students, (b) your district has filed an opioid-related lawsuit, or (c) your district has filed a “claim” as a creditor in the bankruptcy of Purdue Pharma L.P.

### **What does the Settlement Provide?**

The proposed lawsuit would resolve claims that Class Members may have against the Defendants arising out of or related to the allegations in the complaint. In return for settling, the Sackler Defendants will pay the Class up to \$26,776,216.55. The amount will be reduced if certain Class Members choose to opt-out of the Settlement. That money will be deposited into a Public School District Opioid Recovery Trust, which will use the money (net of attorneys’ fees and costs) to provide grants to school districts to address the impact of the opioid crisis in public schools. If your district is a Class Member it will be eligible to apply for and receive grants from the Trust. **The Trust will distribute funds through a grant process, not on a pro rata or proportional basis. Under this proposed Settlement, no school district is guaranteed any Settlement funds.** An independent Special Trustee will review funding requests and select proposals based on published criteria available at [www.SacklerSchoolDistrictOpioidSettlement.com](http://www.SacklerSchoolDistrictOpioidSettlement.com).

### **Who Represents You?**

The Court has appointed Mehri & Skalet, PLLC and Bailey Glasser, LLP as Class Counsel at no cost to you. Their contact information is available at [www.SacklerSchoolDistrictOpioidSettlement.com](http://www.SacklerSchoolDistrictOpioidSettlement.com).

### **What are your Rights and Options?**

Your district has four options:

**Do Nothing:** Your district will not receive funding and will give up the right to sue over the issues resolved by the Settlement if it is approved.

**Apply for Funds:** Submit a funding request to the Public School Trust. Details are available at [www.SacklerSchoolDistrictOpioidSettlement.com](http://www.SacklerSchoolDistrictOpioidSettlement.com).

**Request Exclusion (“opt out”):** Your district can opt out if it does not want to participate or be bound by the Settlement. This keeps the right to sue separately but forfeits eligibility for funding.

**Object:** If you disagree with the Settlement but still want to participate, you can file an Objection with the Court. You may still apply for funding. You cannot object if you opt out.

### **When will the Court approve or disapprove the Settlement?**

The court has scheduled a hearing on **May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026** to consider: whether to approve this proposed Settlement; any Class Member Objections to it; and requests for awards to the class representatives; and attorneys’ fees, costs and expenses for Class Counsel for their work in this litigation. You, or an attorney hired by you, may ask to appear at the hearing but you do not have to do so. Please check the Settlement website for updates.

### **How do I get More Information?**

**This notice is only a summary.** For full settlement terms, visit [www.SacklerSchoolDistrictOpioidSettlement.com](http://www.SacklerSchoolDistrictOpioidSettlement.com), contact Class Counsel at 1-866-961-5451 or [info@SchoolDistrictOpioidRecoveryGrants.com](mailto:info@SchoolDistrictOpioidRecoveryGrants.com), check the Court’s PACER system at <https://ecf.cand.uscourts.gov> (fees apply), or visit the Clerk’s Office at the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia during business hours.

**PLEASE DO NOT TELEPHONE THE COURT OR THE COURT CLERK’S OFFICE  
TO INQUIRE ABOUT THIS SETTLEMENT.**