

# Cartoons for the Classroom

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## Will 'emergency' ease opioids crisis?



Nate Beeler, The Columbus Dispatch / Courtesy of AAEC

### Talking Points

1. What are opioids?
2. How many Americans died of opioid overdoses last year?
3. What did President Trump accomplish by declaring opioid abuse a national public health emergency?
4. What should the U.S. do to reduce abuse of opioids?
5. What are these cartoons saying about our deadly opioids epidemic?
6. How much money does the drug industry give politicians?

### Between the lines

"How can you say it's an emergency if we're not going to put a new nickel in it?" - Dr. Joseph Parks

#### ■ From The Chicago Tribune

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/nationworld/politics/ct-trump-opioids-emergency-20171026-story.html>

### Additional resources

#### ■ More by Nate Beeler

<http://editorialcartoonists.com/cartoon/browse.cfm/BeeleN>

#### ■ More by Joe Heller

<http://www.cagle.com/author/joe-heller/>

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