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### **Amagansett board passes 'balloon' resolution**

In an environmentally conscious move, the Amagansett Union Free School District Board of Education recently adopted a resolution to prohibit the use of latex and mylar/foil balloons, as well as the release of such balloons, on school property and at school activities, memorials and fundraisers.

The district will also be developing procedures to ensure that students are educated on the harmful effects that balloons can have and the best methods of disposing balloons in a responsible and environmentally friendly fashion.

The move comes as more education on the subject has become available, with research pointing to the devastating effects that balloons have had on the earth and its ecosystems, as well as their slow decomposition rates and the importance of conserving helium, a non-renewable resource.

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