

Dear Parents/Guardians:

This letter is to inform you about some additional steps we are taking to reduce the use and abuse of vapes/e-cigarettes on our school campuses. Our school leadership teams have become increasingly concerned with the number of students using these devices at school.

Any form of possession, use, or distribution of vapes/e-cigarettes containing THC oils (THS, etc.), hallucinogenic contents, or other illegal contents is a very serious violation of Rule 11 of the Student Code of Conduct and can result in long-term suspension or expulsion from school.

Beginning this school year, school administrators will be trained in the use of THC test strips that will test the contents of a vape or e-cigarette that is suspected of having THC/Marijuana or other illegal drug contents.

As always, students are subject to search for items that violate school rules in places like their vehicles, desks, lockers, backpacks, purses, and clothing.

The use, possession or distribution of tobacco or cigarette products for vaping, including Juuls and e-cigarettes that contain tobacco/nicotine, is a Rule 14 Violation of the Student Code of Conduct. Going forward, all vaping devices will be confiscated, and students are subject to detention, in school suspension (ISS), out of school suspension (OSS), or long-term suspension/expulsion for Rule 14 violations.

You can review the 2019-2020 Student Code of Conduct and Discipline Handbook at the following link:

[2019-2020 Student Code of Conduct and Discipline Handbook](#)

We have increased our vaping prevention and intervention efforts by disseminating vaping facts and dangers to our parents, students, and the community, and will continue that effort this school year.

If you have not done so already, we encourage you to discuss both safety concerns and disciplinary consequences for the use of vapes and e-cigarettes at school with your student(s). As always, we appreciate your support and partnership as we all work together to ensure that we put **Students First, Safety First.**

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