



SPRINGBORO SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents,

In August, you received an e-mail from us in regards to the dangers surrounding e-cigarette use, or vaping. This week, the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) issued a press release announcing new initiatives to prevent and reduce vaping use among young people.

Vaping is an area of public health concern. District personnel, especially school nurses, are identified as important partners in the work of safeguarding the health of those in our community. Given this, we want to make sure you have the most up-to-date information. Below is a link to the Ohio Department of Health's press release from this week. We encourage you to read this latest update from ODH -

Ohio Department of Health – Press Release (Sept. 10, 2019)

www.springboro.org/Downloads/ODH_PressRelease_091019.pdf

Please note you must be 18 years of age to purchase vaping devices or vaping liquids. These devices can also be used to dispense THC in an odorless method. As per your school building's Code of Conduct, the possession, distribution, or use of a vaping device is prohibited in school, on school property or at school events. Students found possessing, distributing, or using these devices are subject to discipline under your school building's Code of Conduct, as well as the possibility for charges being filed from the Springboro Police Department.

Here at Springboro Schools, we are continuing to take additional steps to ensure the safety and well-being of all our students. Our administrators and counselors are available for anyone seeking assistance in discussing this matter. The district's Mental Health Services Dept. is also available, regarding any questions or concerns. Springboro Schools' Mental Health Services Website - www.springboro.org/StudentMentalHealthServices.aspx

Information about vaping and risks associated with e-cigarette use is available on the ODH website and the CDC website. Information about resources to help people quit smoking and vaping are available on the ODH website, including the Ohio Tobacco Quit Line (1-800-QUIT-NOW). Please view resources listed below:

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CDC Clinical Action Report: Respiratory Illness and Vaping -

<http://education.ohio.gov/getattachment/Topics/Other-Resources/CDC-Clinical-Action-Respiratory-Illness-and-Vaping.pdf>

ODH Health Alert: Severe Pulmonary Disease Associated with Vaping -

<http://education.ohio.gov/getattachment/Topics/Other-Resources/ODH-Health-Alert-Severe-Pulmonary-Disease-Associated-with-Vaping.pdf>

Thank you for your patience with these frequent messages. We hope you find the information useful.

Sincerely,

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