FLUVANNA COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
14455 JAMES MADISON HIGHWAY
PALMYRA, VIRGINIA 22963

Dear FLUCO families,

Staff, parents, community members, and students continue to recognize the prevalence of both nicotine and marijuana (THC) vapes, the ease with which children can obtain them, and, most disturbing, the uncertainty around what is actually in them.

Over the past two years, we have been successful in our efforts to support students and their families, particularly regarding vaping use. FCPS is continuing its substance abuse prevention and intervention efforts, along with setting clear expectations for students while they are in school or on school grounds.

We will continue to approach this from multiple perspectives, including prevention, responsibility, and accountability, and FCPS intends for these measures to reinforce and support each other.

FCPS utilizes school cameras and over 150 vape detectors and sensors throughout both FMS and FCHS to continue to support our proactive measures to reduce and eliminate the use of vapes while at school or on grounds.

We ask you to review this information with your student(s) as we need your partnership to ensure a safe learning environment at school.

If you have additional questions regarding this information, please contact your student's school administrative team.

POSSESSION or USE of Nicotine or Nicotine Vape Products	
1st Offense	3 days of Out of School Suspension (OSS) and required completion of a Stanford Tobacco Prevention (STP) module. Parents, Families, and Students will need to: ● Sign off on the STP module. ● Have an administrative reentry meeting before the students' return to the classroom setting. ● Students will meet with their school counselor 1 week following reentry for a supportive check-in. The reentry document is completed at this time with the school counselor.
2nd Offense	5 days (OSS) and required completion of the Stanford platform and/or Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth (VFHY) for both Parent/Family and Student education programs: ● Required student and parent completion of a substance use education session with the FCPS Mental Health Team, as scheduled. ● Reentry meeting with the administration and the counseling department. ● Students will meet with their school counselor 1-week following reentry for a supportive check-in. The student may be required to participate in the Teen Intervene Screening process upon their return to school or an alternative setting.
3rd Offense	10 days OSS with a recommendation for a long-term suspension to the Fluvanna County School Board (FCSB).

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DISTRIBUTION of Nicotine or Nicotine Vapes/Products	
1st Offense	10 days OSS with a long-term suspension recommendation to the Director of Student Services and required completion of a VAPE program along with a referral to Fluvanna County Court Services Unit. Required completion of the Stanford platform and/or VFHY program: ● Required student and parent completion of an in-person substance use education session with the FCPS Mental Health Team, as scheduled. ● Reentry meeting with the administration and the counseling department. ● Students will meet with their school counselor 1 week following reentry for a supportive check-in. The student will also be required to participate in the Teen Intervene Screening once returning to school or an alternative setting.
POSSESSION, USE, or DISTRIBUTION of THC Vape Pen/Marijuana/Alcohol or Products	
1st Offense	10 days OSS with a recommendation for ***EXPULSION*** to the FCSB, required completion of a FCPS education program, which includes an in-person session with the student and family, and completion of Teen Intervene, along with a referral to Fluvanna County Court Services.

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