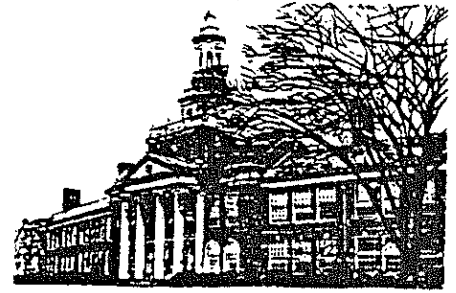


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August 21, 2017

Dear Parents and Guardians:

I am writing to share important information regarding an unhealthy and harmful trend growing in popularity with teenagers across the country and within the Great Neck community. The use of electronic cigarettes and vaporizers, often referred to as ‘vaping’ or ‘dripping’, has risen sharply over the past year. The use of these vaping devices is intended to be combined with flavored oils containing nicotine. In addition, teenagers have replaced the nicotine with illegal and dangerous substances.

We are seeking your partnership and support in promoting the health and safety of our children and encourage you to have a conversation with your child about the dangers of these vaping devices. The following articles provide additional information:


- To read the NYS Department of Health bulletin on the dangers of e-cigarettes and vaping to youth and adults, please go to: http://bit.ly/NYSDOH_ecigs-vaping
- To read facts about e-cigarette use among youth and young adults from the Surgeon General’s report, please go to: http://bit.ly/facts_ecigs-youth

According to recently passed New York State Legislation (S. 750/A. 611), the use of electronic cigarettes, as well as the use of vaporizer products and devices, is prohibited on all public and private school grounds in New York. It is important to be aware that students found in possession of such products will have them confiscated and receive a consequence as outlined in the Great Neck Public Schools Code of Conduct.

Please do not hesitate to contact the high school administration, our guidance team, or student support staff if additional information or support is needed.

Thank you for your attention and assistance in addressing this important issue.

Sincerely,


Dan Holtzman
Principal