



# Vaping on School Grounds

*In order to promote the health and safety of students, staff, and visitors, the possession or use of tobacco/vape products on school grounds and on school buses by all persons is prohibited by state law.*

## Why is vaping prohibited?

Vaping/smoking is prohibited due to concerns about the negative impact on health caused by inhaling harmful substances, the presence of nicotine in vaping products leading to addiction, the possibility of peer pressure and disturbance to the learning environment.

## What will happen if you use/possess on school grounds?

- You will be required to meet with an administrator and school counselor.
- Vaping/smoking items will be confiscated.
- Parents/guardians will be contacted.
- You will be sent home for the remainder of the day.
- First-time offenses will be issued up to 3 days in the Student Success/Support & Transition Center.
- You will be required to complete an educational component.
- Future offenses will result in additional consequences, including out-of-school suspension.

## What can you do?

- Remove yourself from a place where vaping/smoking occurs as soon as possible.
- Find a different bathroom if you enter a bathroom and students are vaping.
- Report any vaping instances to a staff member.
- Use a single bathroom as an option.
- Contact a school counselor if you are concerned about your substance use.
- Contact Sanford School Department Substance Use Counselor Susan Lombardo at [slombardo@sanford.org](mailto:slombardo@sanford.org)

***For more information and resources, head to [mylifemyquit.org](http://mylifemyquit.org) or scan the QR code.***

