



# **PREVENTING VAPING IN HIGH-RISK AREAS**

# VAPING AMONG TEENAGERS



## Prevalence of Vaping

According to recent surveys, vaping rates among teenagers have continued to increase, raising concerns about the long-term health effects.



## High-Risk Areas

Principals should identify areas on school campuses where students are most likely to vape, such as bathrooms, stairwells, and isolated corners, to better address the issue.



## Peer Influence

Peer pressure and social factors play a significant role in the rise of vaping among teenagers, as they often perceive it as a



## Health Concerns

Vaping has been linked to various health problems, including lung damage, addiction, and the potential for long-term effects that are still being researched.

Addressing the rise of vaping among teenagers requires a comprehensive approach involving school administrators, educators, and public health experts to raise awareness, implement prevention strategies, and provide support for affected students.

# COMMON VAPING LOCATIONS

- **Restrooms**

Private enclosed spaces with limited supervision, providing students the opportunity to discretely engage in vaping activities.

- **Locker Rooms**

Spaces designated for changing and storing personal items, with restricted access and reduced adult presence, enabling students to vape with less likelihood of being caught.

- **Secluded Hallways**

Quiet areas of the school building, often away from high-traffic zones and adult supervision, where students can vape without drawing immediate attention.

- **Classrooms**

Students have found ways to discretely vape while in the classroom.



## ADDRESSING VAPING IN RESTROOMS

To address the growing issue of vaping in school restrooms, principals can implement a range of strategies to curb this behavior. This includes installing vape detectors that can identify the presence of e-cigarettes and increase the presence of staff during peak usage times to monitor and deter vaping.

# COMBATING VAPING IN LOCKER ROOMS AND HALLWAYS



## Adjust Locker Room Schedules

Stagger locker room access to limit the number of students in the area at one time, making it harder for students to vape undetected.



## Install Additional Cameras

Place security cameras in secluded hallways and locker room areas to monitor student activity and deter vaping.



## Enhance Staff Supervision

Increase the presence of teachers and staff in locker rooms and hallways to maintain a visible deterrent against vaping.

By implementing these strategies, schools can more effectively combat the issue of vaping in locker rooms and secluded hallways, promoting a healthier and safer environment for all students.



# FOSTERING A CULTURE OF ACCOUNTABILITY

## Open-Door Policy for Reporting Concerns

Principals should encourage an open-door policy that allows students to report concerns anonymously, promoting a culture of accountability and shared responsibility.

## Anonymous Reporting Channels

Establish clear and accessible anonymous reporting channels, such as a dedicated hotline or online submission form, to encourage students to voice their concerns without fear of retaliation.

## Transparent Investigation Process

Implement a transparent investigation process, where reported concerns are promptly addressed and resolved, demonstrating the school's commitment to accountability.

## Responsive and Timely Action

Ensure that reported concerns are addressed in a timely and responsive manner, taking appropriate corrective actions to address any identified issues or concerns.

## Empowering Student Voices

Foster an environment where student voices are valued and their concerns are taken seriously, empowering them to be active participants in maintaining a culture of accountability.

## Promoting a Shared Responsibility

Encourage a shared sense of responsibility among all members of the school community, including administrators, teachers, and students, to actively contribute to a culture of accountability.

# PROACTIVE EFFORTS

## Parent Meetings

Host regular parent meetings to discuss prevention strategies and engage parents in the effort to create a safe environment for their children. These meetings can cover topics like identifying warning signs, effective communication, and supporting students.

## Student Assemblies

Conduct assemblies for students to raise awareness, provide education, and encourage active participation in prevention efforts. These assemblies can cover topics like healthy relationships, bystander intervention, and reporting procedures.

## Student Education

Utilize VapeEducate's online curriculum to help teach students about the risks and dangers associated with vaping.



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