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Dear Parents:

We are seeing a growing number of students using e-cigarettes with THC, a cannabis/marijuana concentrate. Often referred to as vaping, this practice can lead to severe consequences for students.

Possession of THC in any amount is a felony, according to Florida Statute 893.13(6)(a). Law enforcement will be notified of any student found in possession of THC oil, and the student will likely face a third-degree felony charge, which is punishable by up to five years in prison, five years of probation and a \$5,000 fine.

Many companies sell equipment to vape cannabis products, and some devices are hacked so they can be used for this purpose. The Partnership for Drug-Free Kids explains more about the dangers of vaping, how to recognize usage, and the effects of marijuana on a developing adolescent brain. (See: <https://drugfree.org/parent-blog/know-kid-vaping-marijuana> )

Please talk to your children about this issue and warn them of the consequences.

Sincerely,

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Safety & Security Specialist