

VAPING 101

WHAT IS VAPING?

Vaping is the act of inhaling and exhaling the aerosol (vapor) produced by a vaping device/vaporizer such as, an e-cig, vape pen or JUUL.

Vapor develops when the vaporizer heats the vaping liquid (called vape juice, nicotine juice, or e-liquid). Most vaping liquids contains nicotine, a tobacco byproduct, which is very addictive and has health consequences.

JUST HOW DANGEROUS IS IT?

Users control the amount vape juice being used, affecting the amount of nicotine received.

- Nicotine increases heart rate, blood pressure and restricts blood flow.
- Nicotine vapor contain toxic chemicals, linked to heart and respiratory diseases.
- Nicotine can negatively affect the brain development of young adults.



Second-hand vaping exposes bystanders to unhealthy air quality.

The FDA does not recognize vaping as an approved quit-smoking method. If you want to quit cigarettes/dip/etc., visit [QuitWithUsLa.org](https://www.QuitWithUsLa.org) or call **1-800-QuitNow** or text **Ready** to **34191**.

For support to quit vaping, text **VAPEFREE** to **873373**.

**The vaping industry is always changing.
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DID YOU KNOW????

One JUUL pod can contain as much nicotine as 1 pack of cigarettes.

The liquid comes in flavors, such as mint, bubble gum and even Crème Brûlée, which are proven to attract young users and lead to tobacco use.



Almost 1 out of 4 Louisiana high school students vape and 1 out of 10 middle school students do so.

Vaping devices can be used for recreational marijuana and THC oils.

Defective vaping device batteries have caused fires and explosions, mostly while being charged, but also when in use.

The nicotine from vaping and other tobacco products can prime young brains for addiction to other drugs, such as cocaine, marijuana and meth.

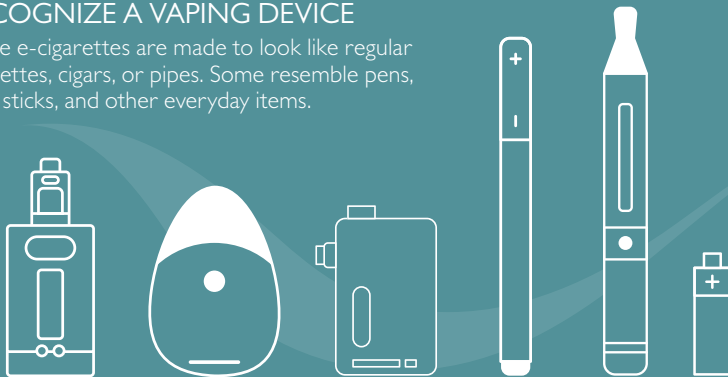
Some studies show that non-smoking youth who vape are more likely to try traditional cigarettes in the future than non-smoking youth who do not vape.

A majority of students do not consider vapes to be tobacco products.

Most flavored vapes contain higher levels of nicotine, which leads to greater nicotine dependence.

RECOGNIZE A VAPING DEVICE

Some e-cigarettes are made to look like regular cigarettes, cigars, or pipes. Some resemble pens, USB sticks, and other everyday items.



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