



Important Conversation About the Dangers of Vaping

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We hope this message finds you well. As part of our ongoing commitment to the health and well-being of all our scholars at Herman J. Russell West End Academy, we want to address an important issue impacting youth across the country—vaping.

This week, our school counselor will be speaking with students about the dangers of vaping, its impact on developing bodies and minds, and the long-term risks associated with its use. Middle school is a critical time for shaping lifelong choices, and we believe it's important to equip our scholars with accurate information and strong decision-making skills.

Please be advised that vaping is strictly prohibited on school grounds and is considered a violation of our school discipline policy. Possession or use of any vaping device will result in disciplinary action, as outlined in the Atlanta Public Schools Student Code of Conduct.

We encourage you to talk with your child at home about this issue and reinforce the importance of making safe, healthy choices. If you have any questions or would like additional resources to support this conversation, feel free to reach out to our counseling department.

Thank you for partnering with us to keep our school community safe and informed.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tonetta Green', with a horizontal line above it.

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