



# Will C. Wood Middle School

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**Dear Will C. Wood Families,**

We've recently noticed an uptick in students possessing disposable nicotine vape pens. While we do not know the exact source, the pens, labeled "Puff Bars" are available online and in smoke shops around town. We are currently trying to raise awareness within the community and will hold a parent meeting Wednesday, Feb. 12 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. to give concerned guardians more information about this recent trend. The devices contain a flavored nicotine product that can be highly addictive. The devices are very small, about 4-inches long, and are nearly odorless. The federal government recently banned flavored tobacco products, because they target young people. The ban, however, only applies to re-fillable nicotine devices, allowing people to still buy self-contained, disposable products. While bringing any tobacco product on school grounds is a violation of state and federal laws, we are extremely concerned about the safety and health of our students. These devices are extremely easy to hide, and because they're nearly odorless, extremely difficult to catch. We will continue to notify parents and counsel kids caught with these devices. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call the school at 916-395-5380. Examples of what the product looks like is presented below.

Sincerely,

Brandon Frink

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