VAPE AWARE TOOLKIT For Schools And School Districts







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with links to the printable **sources**. It includes Vape Aware's rack cards in English and Spanish, a smoke- and vapor-free zone sign, a sample free vape disposal flyer, and sticker templates for disposal bin fill lines and disposal guidelines.

Introduction

Welcome to Boulder County Vape Aware's Schools and School Districts Toolkit! In this toolkit, we have compiled a variety of materials that the Vape Aware team has created to support the mission of increasing collection and proper disposal of vape product waste (VPW) in the Boulder County community. While we understand the importance of maintaining a tobacco-free campus, we also understand that vape devices can make their way to school and, because of potential leakage and risk of combustion, pose a risk to our school community. To protect both schools and the environment, we support offering free safe vape disposal in schools around the country. The items in this toolkit are designed to act as guidelines for other school districts interested in setting up a workflow around VPW collection and disposal.

Included in this kit are disposal guidelines for schools, a worksheet to explore community partners for disposal work, and resources to put together your own vape waste collection kits. Each of these items may be adapted to serve the particular needs of you school and your students. For questions, comments, or support, contact Fran Babrow at fbabrow@bouldercounty.gov.

Communication Materials

Electronic Smoking Device Disposal Guide for Schools

This resource (available for download on Vape Aware's website) is Vape Aware's guide for school partners on safe disposal practices and workflow, as well as disposal kit materials and instructions.

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Tobacco-Free Campus Sign

This page (available for download on Vape Aware's website) contains an example of the signs we offer our school partners to reinforce smoke-free campus rules.



Vape Aware Rack Card

The Vape Aware rack card is offered in both English and Spanish and provides an example of information designed for widespread community distribution. Each version can be downloaded on Vape Aware's website.



Workflow Materials

Community Partner Exploration Worksheet

This worksheet (available for download on Vape Aware's website) is designed to help schools brainstorm partners and allies in advancing vape disposal work.

Sample Fill Line Sticker for Vape Product Collection Bins



This is a template of the sticker Vape Aware uses to indicate the amount of waste collection entities must stay under in order to comply with the Environmental Protection Agency's mandates for very small quantity generators. The template can be downloaded on Vape Aware's website. If using the recommended New Pig <u>Used Battery Containers</u>, this sticker should be placed approximately 3 inches from the bottom of the bin in order to maintain EPA compliance.

Sample VapeSmart Guidelines Collection Bin Sticker

This label template (available for download on Vape Aware's website) offer guidelines for safe device disposal. Hazardous waste labels for collection bins may be ordered <u>here</u>. When delivered to community partners, these kits include rubber gloves and plastic baggies to mitigate contact with hazardous substances.

