HEALTHY SCHOOLS SAMPLE ACTION PLAN ACTIVITIES TO SUPPORT TOBACCO/VAPING EDUCATION & AWARENESS

Secondary Schools 2021-2022

CURRICULUM, TEACHING &	
LEARNING	

Lung Foundation-Talking About Series Addresses cannabis, tobacco, vaping and water pipes to help facilitate critical discussion in a fun and informative manner.

Health Canada: Vaping and the Consequences -learn about hidden facts, health effects, cost, peer pressure and nicotine.

Position Statement on E-Cigarettes in Canada from the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada.

Girls, Smoking and Stress: A facilitator's guide on girl's empowerment, with topics on tobacco use, physical inactivity, links

SCHOOL & CLASSROOM LEADERSHIP

Contact your School Health Nurse to request support with the following:

Connect with existing student clubs and integrate vaping and tobacco resources into these clubs using the Healthy Schools
Student Club Activity Guide:
Tobacco-Free Living as a guide.

Train the Trainer e-modules on Health Promotion, Youth Advocacy and Vaping to support older students in engaging their younger peers in understanding tobacco prevention through these easy interactive online e-modules.

Kick Butts Day: Students can collaborate with their teachers to

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Not An Experiment (New-French): A digital toolkit to educate and build capacity among educators and youth champions about vaping. Champions will also be empowered to engage youth in an interactive, yet educational Escape Room-style activity.

National Non-Smoking Week (3rd week in January) -Have students develop their own tobacco awareness campaigns during these national holidays. World No Tobacco Day (May 31).

The Truth Campaign: Students can show their support for tobacco prevention through a variety of ways. Learn more about mental health,

SOCIAL & PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENTS

Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017

York Region Tobacco & Electronic Cigarette Control Officers conduct on-site enforcement visits to monitor compliance under this act.

Tobacco and Electronic Cigarette Convictions and Smoking Laws

To report a complaint, contact York Region Health Connection at 1-800-361-5653, TTY 1-866-252-9933 or email: health.inspectors@york.ca

YCDSB <u>Tobacco-Free and</u>
<u>Electronic Cigarette Policy</u> – code of conduct for safe learning and teaching environment

HOME, SCHOOL & COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

What You Need to Know About How to Talk to Your Kids About Vaping Partnership for Drug Free Kids.

Health Canada- Talking with Your Teen about Vaping: A Tip Sheet for Parents.

CAMH - What Parents Need to Know About Teen Risk Taking: Strategies for reducing problems related to alcohol, other drugs, gambling and internet use.

<u>Health Canada</u>- Help your child stay smoke-free a guide for parents.

York Region Public Health Vaping & E-Cigarettes Resources & link to Educational Video on bottom of site.

TOBACCO FREE LIVING PROGRAM (TFL)

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to stress and starting a conversation about smoking.

Ontario Physical Health and Education Association: Grade by grade tobacco curriculum support resources for the Health and Physical Education curriculum.

Walking the Talk: A Toolkit for Engaging Youth with Mental Health: How youth engagement can directly benefit youth and reduce substance use and smoking.

Ontario Student Drug Use and Health Survey (OSDUHS): A Canadian survey that shows trends in student substance use and mental and physical health.

organize a *Kick Butts Day* to raise awareness of the problem of tobacco use in their community.

Health Canada: Youth Zone: A website for youth on tobacco facts, marketing, and cessation.

vaping, social justice, and tobacco and the environment.

Youth Now - Prevention Coalition is a youth led initiative that is guided by ongoing conversations with youth and community partners.

<u>Canadian Mental Health</u> <u>Association: Choices Program:</u>

Encourages youth (12 to 17) to make informed decisions and to promote positive choices. Topics may include communication, decision making, goal setting, refusal skills, coping strategies, tobacco, and taking risks.

-YRDSB <u>Tobacco and Smoke-Free</u> <u>Environment Policy</u>: is in alignment with the Smoke Free Ontario Act.

World Health Organization - Environmental Impact of Tobacco An overview of how tobacco threatens many of earths resources.

Smoking Environmental Risks - Tobacco-free Life explains the negative influence that these products have on our planet.

Learn what <u>vaping</u> is all about, the health concerns regarding their use, and the regulation and control of these products.

York Region Public Health Smoking and Youth Resources

For parents and teachers to gain more information about the patterns of tobacco use among youth and how to address this issue.

Lung Foundation - QUASH is a free smoking and vaping cessation program for youth and emerging adults (ages 14-30), that makes it easy to build a custom plan for quitting. Co-designed with youth and available across Canada in English and French.