

October 25, 2019

The Honourable Adrian Dix Minister of Health Room 337 Parliament Buildings Victoria, BC V8V 1X4

Dear Minister Dix,

Our school district takes youth vaping seriously and are actively working to decrease student vaping rates by focusing on early intervention, working with the Canadian Centre for Addictions on creating a substance literacy unit, partnering with community organizations and hosting community dialogue events. Our district is committed to doing the work at the school level to educate our students and families about vaping and we hope that the Minister of Health will further support that work by taking action at the Provincial level.

We are urging the Provincial Government to take the necessary steps to combat the rising levels of youth vaping in BC including: the banning of flavoured vaping products, tougher online retail controls, increased resources to fund prevention and support programs, a ban on all marketing and advertising of vaping products, reduced nicotine concentrations, and enhanced enforcement.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Korleen Carreras, Chairperson

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