

# The Weekly Spark

## LEAMAN JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mike Semmler, Principal

### October 18, 2019

### Issue 8

#### The Character Trait of the Month: RESPECT

- Treat self and others with respect
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- Deal peacefully with anger and disagreements



Red Ribbon  
WEEK!  
10/21 – 10/25

#### Don't forget:

October 21-25  
Red Ribbon Week  
School Bus Safety Week

October 21  
Fall Academic Pep Rally

October 21, 28  
Bully Prevention - Wear **Blue** on Monday

October 24 – 7pm  
Choir & Orchestra Fall Concert

October 31  
Halloween – Student/Staff Dress Up Day

November 1  
Faculty vs Students Volleyball Game

November 5 – 7pm  
Charger Theatre Performance

November 7 (5-7pm)  
Science Night

November 8  
Veteran's Day Program

Monday October 21 <sup>st</sup>	Tuesday October 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Wednesday October 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Thursday October 24 <sup>th</sup>	Friday October 25 <sup>th</sup>
Red-y to say NO to drugs!	Emoji Day	Crazy Hair and Sock Day	Fan Day	Snow, Rain, and Sun Day
Wear <b>RED</b> to send a message that you're "red-y" to say no.	Send a message to all; dress like your favorite emoji.	Send a message from head to toe: We don't do drugs! Wear crazy hair and socks.	Wear a t-shirt or jersey of your favorite artist, band, or team to send a message that we are all fans of saying no to drugs.	Send a drug-free message for all kinds of weather. Dress like you're ready for rain, snow, or sun.

#### Athletics

##### Football Games:

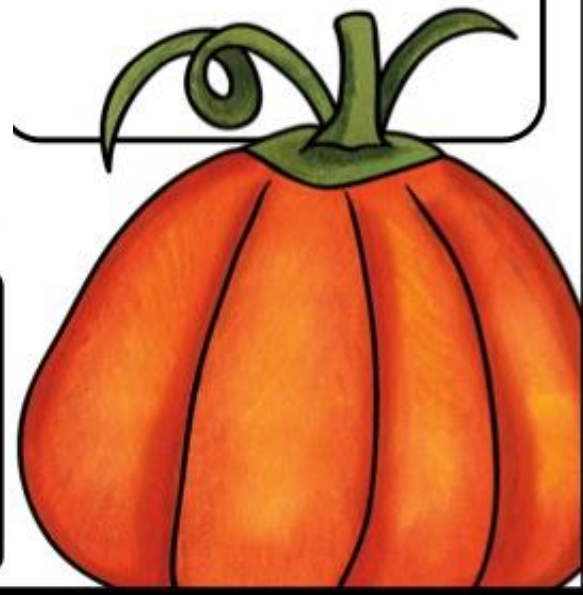
8<sup>th</sup> Grade 10/21 (A) at Traylor  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade 10/22 (B) at Angleton  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade 10/21 (A) at Angleton  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade 10/22 (B) at Traylor

##### Cross Country Tryouts

Tuesday Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 7am

##### Basketball Tryouts

Girls: Oct 28-30  
Boys: Nov 4-6

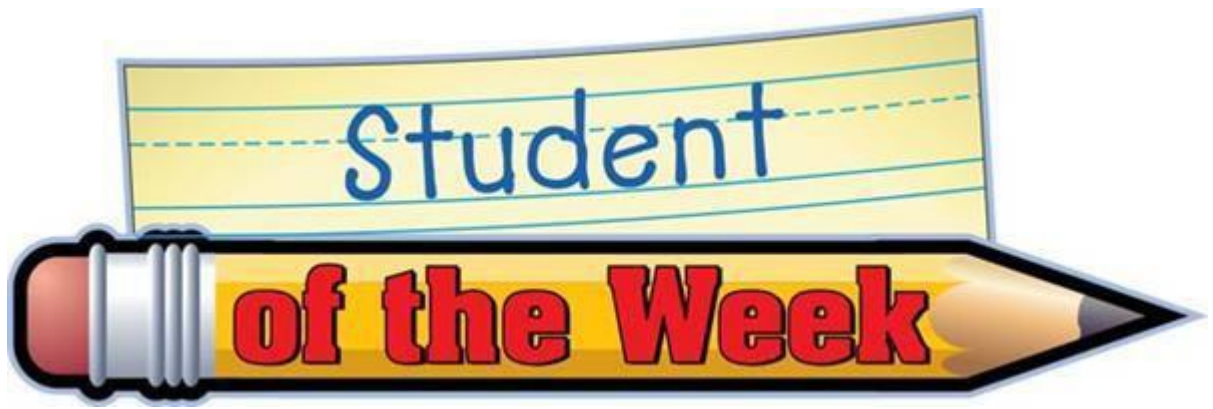


*New*

Information

This Week

**NEW!**



## **7<sup>th</sup>** *Grade*

Kerri Johnson  
Nominated by: Mrs. Galvan





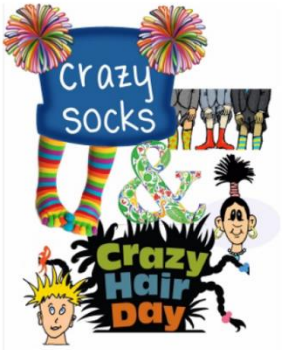


## **8<sup>th</sup>** *Grade*

Alessandro Napolitano  
Nominated by: Mrs. Cronin

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## Red Ribbon Week Dress Up Days

### “Send a Message: Stay Drug Free”

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\*This week, we are encouraging students to donate socks (of any size) to help families through Common Threads. Any student who donates a pack of at least 6 socks will receive a free homework pass. Students can give sock packs to any counselor (Mrs. Garcia-Pineda or Ms. Session). Limit 1 pass per student.

**7 PM**

**THURSDAY  
10/24**



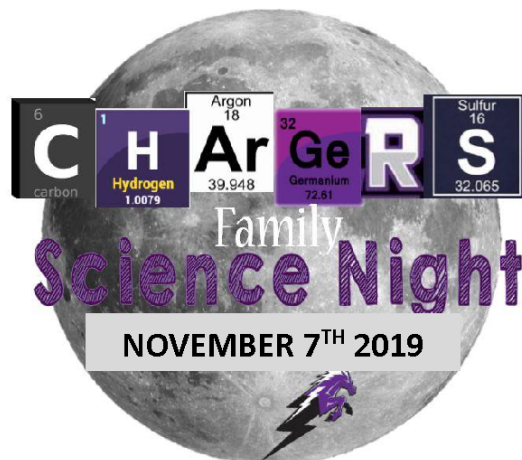
**CHARGER  
CHOIR**

**FALL CONCERT**

**LEAMAN JUNIOR HIGH**



The science teachers of Leaman Junior High and are excited to announce our 2nd Annual Science Night on Thursday, November 7, 2019 5:30 -7:00 pm. Our goal is to enrich the views of science-based careers in our students and their parents while providing a hands-on, engaging night of curriculum-based activities and labs. We are looking to you as parents and members of our community to help us in our inaugural year.



If you work and/or are a professional in the field of science, we would greatly appreciate if you could help by donating your time, knowledge, and passion for your chosen profession. We will have booths set up in our school cafeteria where you can present information to our students on how science plays a role in your career and what they can do to begin working towards a career in your profession.

For presentation, donation, or other inquiries, please contact: Blair O'Connor [aboconnor@lcisd.org](mailto:aboconnor@lcisd.org) or Brooke Middendorf [brooke.middendorf@lcisd.org](mailto:brooke.middendorf@lcisd.org)

We look forward to working with you and helping us to ensure that our “Science Night” is a success!

Thank you in advance,

**DLJH Science Department**

*If you would like to promote your career in science, STEM or volunteer at the event, please click the link below or scan the QR code to sign up. Thank you!*



<https://tinyurl.com/y2osgevz>

# VAPING TOWN HALL MEETING

**OCTOBER 28, 2019  
@6:30PM**

The public is invited to attend an open discussion alongside local experts to learn more about vaping, vaping devices and the dangers vaping poses to our youth. Parents are encouraged to attend and students are welcome.

**Lamar Consolidated High School Cafeteria**

**4606 Mustang Ave, Rosenberg, TX 77471**

For more information about this event, please contact:

Payal Patani

(281) 207-2435

[ppatani@fortbendcouncil.org](mailto:ppatani@fortbendcouncil.org)

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A PROUD TRADITION | A BRIGHT FUTURE

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Fort Bend Regional Council  
On Substance Abuse, Inc.

Fort Bend Community  
Prevention Coalition  
**FBCPC**  
A member of Fort Bend Regional Council on Substance Abuse, Inc.

**OPEN  
TO THE  
PUBLIC**

# 4th Annual Student vs Faculty Volleyball Game

NOVEMBER

1st



# VOLLEYBALL GAME

Leaman Jr. High will hold its 4th Annual Student vs Faculty volleyball games on Friday, Nov. 1st. The chosen football players will play our 8th grade volleyball players from 2:35 - 2:55 pm. The faculty will play our 8th grade volleyball players from 3:00 - 3:20 pm. Students who are interested in attending will need to purchase a ticket at lunch. Tickets go on sale Monday, Oct 28th for \$3.





# A VOICE IN THE DARK: A SALEM STORY

BY ELIZABETH DOWNING  
DIRECTED BY NICHOLAS FARCO

Public Performance-Attendee Donations Accepted

**Tuesday, November 5, 2019 - 7pm**

Leaman Junior High

UIL Contest Performance-Tickets Available at Door

**Saturday, November 9, 2019**

George Ranch High School Auditorium

Contest begins at 12 pm - Leaman Performs at 3 pm

# CHARGER THEATRE BOOSTERS

SHIRT FUNDRAISER 2019

## ORDER FORM

SUPPORT CHARGER THEATRE AND LOOK GOOD DOING IT!



**ALL THE WORLD'S A STAGE**

*Cape Pulpitum*

Chargertheatre.org

**DESIGN:  
STAGE**

(ADULT SIZES ONLY  
FOR THIS DESIGN)



**DESIGN:  
QUALITY**

(ADULT SIZES ONLY  
FOR THIS DESIGN)



WWW.CHARGERTHEATRE.ORG

**DESIGN:  
LOVE**

(YOUTH AND ADULT SIZES  
AVAILABLE FOR  
THIS DESIGN)

**PICK A DESIGN, SHIRT STYLE, DESCRIPTION, COLOR, SIZE AND QUANTITY.**

- 1 - HEAVY COTTON 5.3 OZ. SHORT SLEEVE TEE - SIZES S,M,L,XL,2X,3X-5XL - \$20
- 2 - SOFTSTYLE 4.5 OZ. HEATHERED SHORT SLEEVE TEE - SIZES S,M,L,XL,2X,3X,4X - \$20
- 3 - PREMIUM V-NECK SHORT SLEEVE TEE - SIZES S,M,L,XL,2X - \$20
- 4 - HEAVY COTTON 5.6 OZ. LONG SLEEVE TEE - SIZES S,M,L,XL,2X,3X - \$25
- 5 - TRI BLEND LONG SLEEVE HOODIE TEE - SIZES S,M,L,XL,2X - \$30
- 6 - HEAVY BLEND 8 OZ. CREW NECK SWEATSHIRT - SIZES S,M,L,XL,2X,3X,4X,5X - \$30
- 7 - DRYBLEND 9 OZ. FLEECE HOODIE - SIZES S,M,L,XL,2X,3X - \$35

YOUTH SIZES  
YXS,YS,YM,YL,YXL  
ARE AVAILABLE ON THE  
FOLLOWING SHIRT STYLES:

- 1 - SHORT SLEEVE TEE - \$20
- 4 - LONG SLEEVE TEE - \$20
- 6 - CREW NECK SWEATSHIRT - \$30
- 7 - FLEECE HOODIE - \$35

DESIGN (CIRCLE ONE)	SHIRT STYLE (CIRCLE ONE)	DESCRIPTION	COLOR (CIRCLE ONE)	SIZE	QUANTITY	PRICE
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FIND US ON FACEBOOK AT FULSHEAR CHARGER THEATRE BOOSTERS.

**TOTAL:**

**NAME**  **EMAIL**

**PHONE**  **ADDRESS**

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO CHARGER THEATRE BOOSTERS (CTB) OR PAY ONLINE AT WWW.CHARGERTHEATRE.ORG.  
RETURN FORM WITH PAYMENT TO MR. DELKA, MR. FARCO OR EMAIL TO CHARGERTHEATRE@HOTMAIL.COM.

# 2019 Washington DC/Philadelphia/NYC Trip

Attention parents of 8<sup>th</sup> graders:  
Registration is still open for the  
2020 Washington DC/Philadelphia/New York City trip.  
**What an amazing and fun experience!**

Contact Coach Walters with questions  
[twalters@lcisd.org](mailto:twalters@lcisd.org).

Registration Deadline Extended  
To November 15th





We have some exciting on campus volunteer opportunities for all Charger parents! Please join Leaman PTO in supporting our teachers and staff by volunteering! Check out the volunteer needs below and sign-up!

#### **WORKROOM VOLUNTEER**

Leaman JH teachers need your help! Workroom volunteers will primarily be making copies for teachers. Copy requirements will vary from week to week so your time in the workroom will vary as well. Copies will be made on Friday afternoons for those teachers who like to be prepared for the upcoming week and the Tuesday copy volunteer will have the flexibility to help out during the day when it is convenient to their schedule. Volunteers can expect 1 – 2 hours in the workroom. Please follow the link below to sign up for workroom volunteer:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090A4FA5A723AAFE3-workroom>

#### **FRONT OFFICE VOLUNTEER**

Ms. Crawford in the Front Office needs help from 12:00 – 1:00 daily. Front Office volunteers will answer phones, sign in visitors, deliver items, and attend to various office needs. The front office can be a dynamic work area during the lunch period so this volunteer position requires an introduction and hands-on training to introduce you to the DLJH office procedures. To set up a convenient time so you can familiarize yourself with the front office before you select your volunteer days, please contact Trish Carroll at [friendsofleaman@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofleaman@gmail.com).

Thank you for all you do!





Dear Chargers,

Thank you so much to those of you who have made a contribution to our Write A Check Campaign! As of this writing, we have raised \$1900 for our fundraiser! Unfortunately, we have a long way to go to meet our goals. We received the bid for the shade structure for the rear of the campus and the lowest bid was \$38,950. We want to make sure that we give all our families the opportunity to help us achieve this goal. We have decided to keep the fundraiser open to give everyone the opportunity to participate.

Why a write a check campaign?

Every dollar donated will benefit OUR students and staff  
No gift wrapping, bags or cookie dough to sell  
Your contribution is 100% tax deductible

Our goal is 100% participation regardless of amount! The bottom line is, there is no amount too small. We have also made the payment process easier with an option to pay online with your credit card at [www.leamanpto.org](http://www.leamanpto.org).

Forms will come home with our students next week if you prefer to send in a check! We invite you to join us in making this campaign a huge success for our school!

Leaman PTO Fundraising Committee

# Write-a-Check

Buy nothing. Sell nothing.

## Fundraiser

### Why Should I Donate?

1. All donations are tax deductible
2. 100% of donations go towards campus upgrades
3. Supporting our students and staff matter
4. Because writing a check is so much easier than selling items

Every dollar counts!  
We thank you for your support!

Two ways to donate:  
[www.leananpto.org](http://www.leananpto.org)  
or send a check into the front office in the attached envelope



### \$25 Donation

With the donation my student will receive one free homework pass to use in any class!



### \$100 Donation

Show your family's support! With a \$100 donation your name or business will be printed on a 12"x18"Charger Bolt sign and displayed in the cafeteria for the rest of the school year.



### \$500 Donation

Save yourself from the traffic nightmares! With a generous \$500 donation you will receive a "Special Release Pass" for the remaining 2019-20 school year. You will be allowed to pick up 3 minutes early from a side exit and avoid all the traffic with in and out privileges.

**\*Online purchase only\*Only 8 passes remaining\***



### Custom Donation

We love our school and would like to make a donation in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ and do not need any items or perks offered with this fundraiser. Knowing that 100% of the funds will go towards campus upgrades is enough!

# Ongoing Information/ Notices



# RESPECT

LEAMAN JR.  
HIGH  
CHARACTER  
COUNTS  
NEWSLETTER

October 2019



## The Character Trait of the Month: **RESPECT**

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"Respect for ourselves guides our morals;  
respect for others guides our manners."  
– Laurence Sterne

## October is National Bullying Prevention Month

At Leaman Jr. High, we want to continue to be a school that embraces all races, cultures, religions, and ethnicities. We strive to be a No Place for Hate and honor the theme of Rachel's Challenge. Let's START A CHAIN REACTION and wear blue on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of October to kick off Bullying Prevention Month. On October 7<sup>th</sup>, we hope to see everyone #BlueUp!

Check out more resources or information at [stompoutbullying.org](http://stompoutbullying.org)



# **EXPIRING!!!**

**Some Box Tops will expire  
on November 1st!!!**

**Please send in all of your Box Tops  
as soon as possible!!!**



**THANK  
YOU**

The first Monday of every October is World Day of Bullying Prevention!

On this day students, schools, and communities all over the world go BLUE together against bullying.

It also kicks off National Bullying Prevention Awareness Month every October.

Please join us on Monday, October 7, 2019 for the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual World Day of Bullying Prevention.

We are asking our CHARGERS to #BlueUp and MAKE BULLYING HISTORY!



OUR VOICES WILL  
**MAKE BULLYING HISTORY**  
#BlueUp with STOMP Out Bullying on  
**10.7.19**  
**WEAR BLUE**  
WORLD DAY OF BULLYING PREVENTION™



# **Leaman Chargers Yearbook Sale!**

**Listen up parents!  
The Chargers are  
holding a yearbook  
sale! We know that  
parents LOVE to save  
money! So why not  
order a yearbook  
now? Go  
to "Balfour.com!"**

**2019-2020**

**We Belong!**

**By: NAI**

[www.balfour.com](http://www.balfour.com)



SO KIDS CAN EAT

**CANNED FOOD DRIVE**

**SPONSORED BY FULSHEAR HS AND LEAMAN JH THEATRE**

**OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup> THROUGH 31<sup>ST</sup>**

**1<sup>ST</sup> PERIOD CLASSROOM COMPETITION**

All items donated will be given to Common Threads!

**DROP OFF YOUR CANNED GOODS TO YOUR**

**1<sup>ST</sup> PERIOD CLASSROOM TEACHER**

**WINNING 1<sup>ST</sup> PERIOD WILL RECEIVE A DONUT PARTY - Non-Expired Cans Only**



# GIVEBLOOD.org

Save lives like Xabie's! Xabie was diagnosed with aplastic anemia in January 2019 and received multiple transfusions as part of his treatment. His sister Rachel is a 7<sup>th</sup> grader on our campus. His family is grateful for your *Commit for Life* donation for all patients.



## Leaman Junior High School Blood Drive

*In Honor of Xabie Fernandez*

Wednesday, November 13

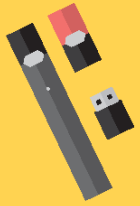
8:00 am - 12:30 pm

*Classroom*

***9320 Bois D Arc Lane – Fulshear, TX 77441***

To schedule an appointment, visit [www.giveblood.org](http://www.giveblood.org) and login to Digital Donor. Enter sponsor code L932 or contact Michael Semmler at (832) 223-5200 or [msemmler@lcisd.org](mailto:msemmler@lcisd.org)

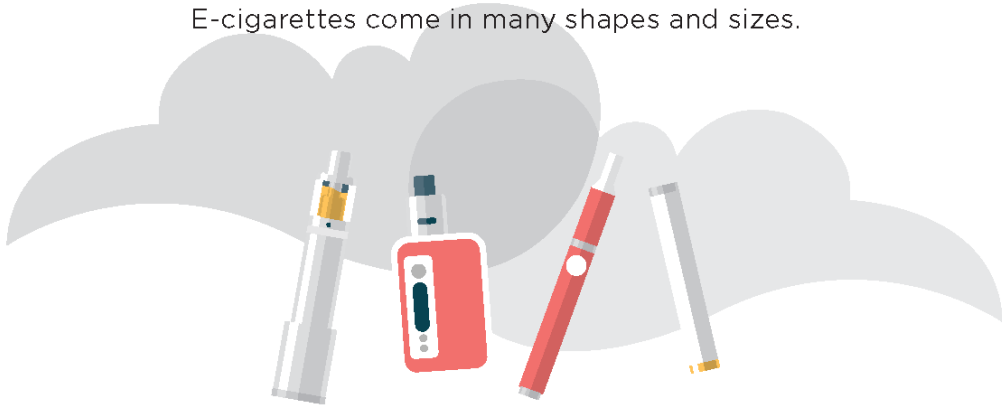
All blood donations are in honor of this patient and will go into the general blood supply for all patients in the Texas Gulf Coast region. FDA policy requires blood donors to be unpaid volunteers. No individual may receive a financial benefit or credit from your blood donation today.



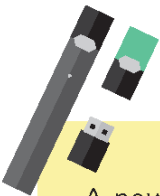
# E-CIGARETTES SHAPED LIKE USB FLASH DRIVES: INFORMATION FOR PARENTS, EDUCATORS, AND HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS



Electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes) are battery-powered devices that can deliver nicotine and flavorings to the user in the form of an aerosol. E-cigarettes come in many shapes and sizes.



## WHAT'S THE BOTTOM LINE?



A new e-cigarette shaped like a **USB** flash drive is being used by students in schools.



The use of any tobacco product — including e-cigarettes—is **unsafe** for young people.



Nicotine is highly addictive and can **harm brain development**, which continues until about age 25.



**Parents, educators, & health care providers** can help prevent and reduce the use of all tobacco products, including e-cigarettes, by young people.

>> **Learn HOW** in this fact sheet.

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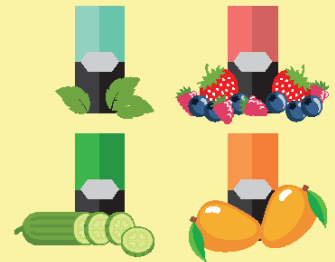
U.S. Department of  
Health and Human Services  
Centers for Disease  
Control and Prevention

# AN INCREASINGLY POPULAR E-CIGARETTE DEVICE, CALLED JUUL, IS SHAPED LIKE A USB FLASH DRIVE.



Use of JUUL is sometimes called "JUULing."

JUUL's nicotine liquid refills are called "pods." JUUL is available in several flavors such as Cool Cucumber, Fruit Medley, Mango, and Mint.



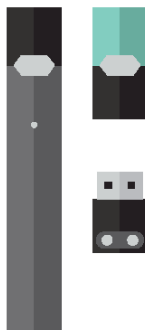
All JUUL e-cigarettes have a high level of nicotine. According to the manufacturer, a single JUUL pod contains as much nicotine as a pack of 20 regular cigarettes.



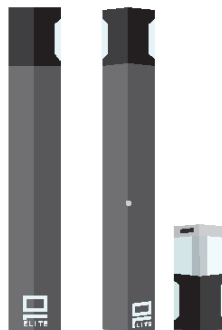
JUUL became available for sale in the United States in 2015. As of December 2017, JUUL is the top-selling e-cigarette brand in the United States.

News outlets and social media sites report widespread use of JUUL by students in schools, including in classrooms and bathrooms.

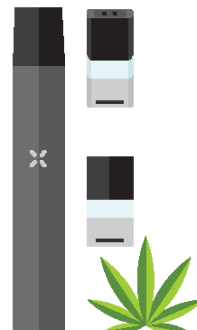
Other devices are becoming available that look like USB flash drives. Examples include the MarkTen Elite, a nicotine delivery device, and the PAX Era, a marijuana delivery device that looks like JUUL.



JUUL



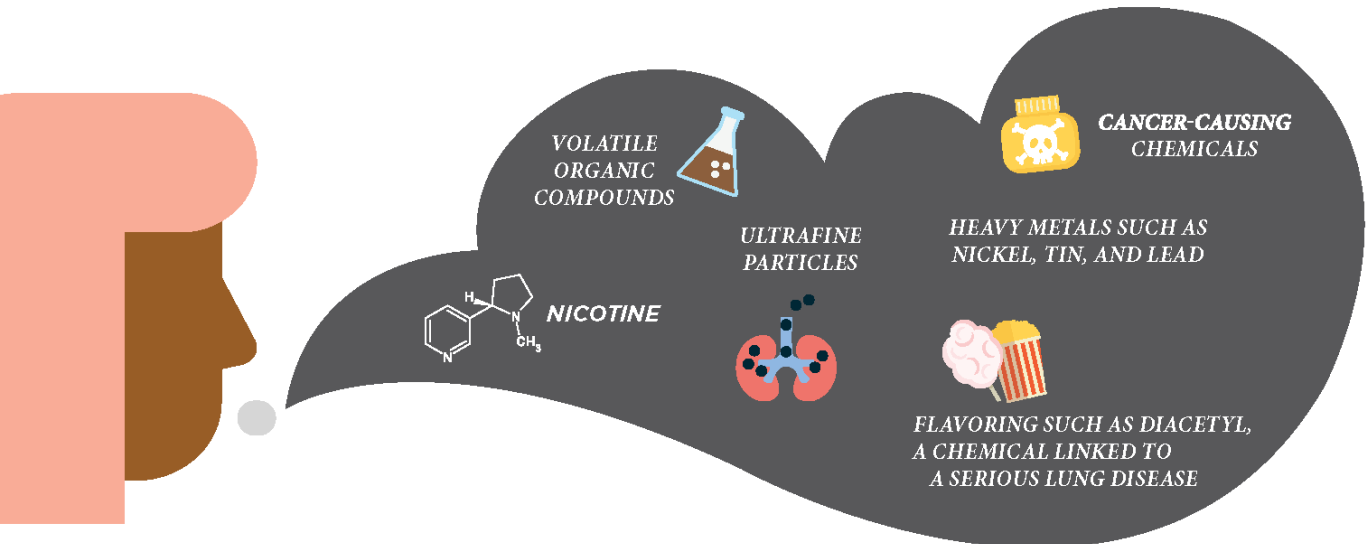
MarkTen Elite



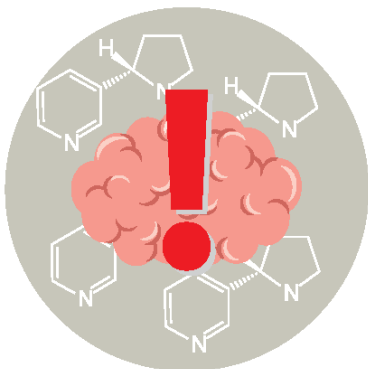
PAX Era

# E-CIGARETTE USE IS NOT SAFE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

E-cigarette aerosol is not harmless. It can contain harmful ingredients. However, e-cigarette aerosol generally contains fewer harmful chemicals than smoke from burned tobacco products, like regular cigarettes.



Most e-cigarettes contain ***nicotine***, which is highly addictive and can ***harm brain development***, which continues until about ***age 25***.



**YOUNG PEOPLE WHO USE E-CIGARETTES MAY BE MORE LIKELY TO GO ON TO USE REGULAR CIGARETTES.**





## PARENTS, EDUCATORS, AND HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS CAN HELP PREVENT AND REDUCE THE USE OF E-CIGARETTES BY YOUNG PEOPLE.



### PARENTS CAN:

- » Learn about the different shapes and types of e-cigarettes and the risks of all forms of e-cigarette use for young people.
- » Talk to their children about the risks of e-cigarette use among young people. Express firm expectations that their children remain tobacco-free.
- » Set a positive example by being tobacco-free.



### EDUCATORS CAN:

- » Learn about the different shapes and types of e-cigarettes and the risks of all forms of e-cigarette use for young people.
- » Develop, implement, and enforce tobacco-free school policies.
- » Reject youth tobacco prevention programs sponsored by the tobacco industry. These programs have been found to be ineffective for preventing youth tobacco use.



### PEDIATRIC HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS CAN:

- » Ask about e-cigarettes, including devices shaped like USB flash drives, when screening patients for the use of any tobacco products.
- » Warn patients about the risks of all forms of tobacco product use, including e-cigarettes, for young people.

*PARENTS,  
EDUCATORS, AND  
HEALTH CARE  
PROVIDERS  
CAN HELP*

