

NEW LOTHROP AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

December 3, 2021

Dear New Lothrop Students and Parents/Guardians,

At the November Board of Education meeting, the Board approved changes to the NLHS student handbook in regards to policy on vaping and possession of a vape pen. These new changes will be implemented and followed beginning January 3, 2022 when our new semester begins. Every student and parent will have the opportunity to review the changes, and then a signed copy by both the student and parent will need to be on file in the high school office.

The new vape policy is as follows:

Use of tobacco

Smoking and other tobacco uses are a danger to a student's health and to the health of others. The school prohibits the sale, distribution, use, or possession of any form of tobacco or electronic cigarettes or similar devices (including vape pens) during school time or at any school activity. This prohibition also applies when going to and from school and at school bus stops. "Use of tobacco" shall mean all uses of tobacco, including cigars, cigarettes including e-cigarettes/vape pens, pipe tobacco, chewing tobacco, snuff, or any other matter or substance that contains tobacco, in addition to papers used to roll cigarettes. The display of unlighted cigars, cigarettes, including e-cigarettes/vape pens, tobacco pipes, other "smoking" paraphernalia or tobacco products on one's person is also prohibited by this policy.

Violation of this rule will result in suspension and/or expulsion. Furthermore, in accordance with the Village of New Lothrop local ordinance policy, any student who is found to be in possession of or using a vape pen on school property will be subject to a civil infraction fine each instance.

FIRST OFFENSE: 3 day Suspension, 4 hours of community service* and Drug Education/Counseling**

SECOND OFFENSE: 5 day Suspension, 8 hours of community service*, and civil infraction fine***

THIRD OFFENSE: 10 day suspension, civil infraction fine, and Administrative Hearing before

student is allowed back on campus

- **Administration and Parent/Guardian will conference on time, date, and place for Drug Education/Counseling.
- ***Civil infraction fine will be issued by the Village of New Lothrop law enforcement.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me via email at kuchar@newlothrop.k12.mi.us or call 810.638.5054.

Sincerely, Kim Kuchar, Principal New Lothrop Jr./Sr. High School

Administrative Office

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^{*}A list of non-profit organizations will be provided to the student and Parent/Guardian to contact in order to complete community service hours after school or on the weekend. Service hours must be completed within 3 weeks of the infraction.



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December 6, 2021	
Dear Students and Parents,	
I,	
Student Signature	Date
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date
Please return form back to the High School Office by January 10, 2022.	
Sincerely,	
Kim Kuchar, Principal New Lothrop Jr./Sr. High School	

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