

PEMBINA TRAILS COLLEGIATE

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Dear PTC families and students,

Subject: Information about Vaping and Fair Notice

Like other high schools in our division and in Winnipeg, we continue to respond to issues around vaping and are reminding you of the actions we are taking to ensure that students do not vape within the building or on school grounds.

Be advised that all schools in the Pembina Trails School Division are smoke and vape-free zones. Please refer to the [Pembina Trails School Division Smoke Free Policy](#).

If students are found to be vaping or to have a vape/cigarettes/etc. in view, and given that the majority of our students are underage, we will confiscate the vape/cigarettes/etc. Other consequences may include sending the student home and/or suspending the student from school on the following day. This may also be followed up with a fine/ticket that we understand can reach \$300.00. A parent/guardian will be contacted. Should the parent/guardian want items returned; arrangements will be made for pick-up.

In addition to our concerns around the effect that this behavior is having on our school environment, we are also concerned about the health of our students. Vaping/smoking is addressed in our PE/Health classes. If you would like to read further about the health concerns of vaping, please click on this information link [here](#).

We ask that you please discuss this information with your child and ask them to please refrain from vaping/smoking on school property and to not bring vapes/cigarettes or vaping products to school.

We appreciate your support as we continue to address this issue and educate our students.

Sincerely,

Jacqui Kroeker

Jane Bachart

Jacqui Kroeker & Jane Bachart – Pembina Trails Collegiate

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