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Muscatine High School Families,

To keep our families informed of teenage concerns and trends, we want to advise our families that vaping devices are being discovered in the Quad-Cities area that contains THC and fentanyl. Muscatine High School isn't aware of any fentanyl-laced vape devices in our school but wanted to be proactive in acknowledging that these devices exist in our area. While we have removed vapes from several students over the year, none have been connected to fentanyl use. It should be noted that the appropriate authorities have been involved each time these devices have been found.

THC is the active ingredient in cannabis, and fentanyl is a "potentially fatal ingredient" that is a fast-acting narcotic analgesic and sedative. The main symptom associated with fentanyl overdose is respiratory failure and non-responsiveness.

We encourage our parents to talk with their children about vaping and the harm that may occur if they are exposed to fentanyl-laced THC. Muscatine High School will continue to educate its students on the dangers of vaping.

Thank you for your ongoing support of your children and our high school.

Sincerely,

Mr. Hogenson
MHS Principal