

**BRENHAM ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ANTI-VAPING BOARD RESOLUTION**

A Resolution of the Brenham Independent School District Board of Trustees regarding vaping.

Whereas, the mission of the Brenham Independent School District is to create challenging, meaningful and engaging learning opportunities so that all children thrive and are prepared for successful, civically engaged lives;

Whereas, the District's values include addressing the health and physical development, and social-emotional well-being of students;

Whereas, Texas children are vaping at epidemic levels, with 19 percent of high schoolers and 6 percent of middle schoolers reporting use, according to recently released Texas Department of State Health Services data;

Whereas, nicotine is highly addictive and can harm brain development, which continues until about age 25. In fact, a recent study shows that for every person who is able to quit smoking as a result of using an e-device, about 80 adolescents/teens (12-17-year-olds) become addicted;

Whereas, vaping by students is harmful to their health, to the school environment, and takes important time away from instruction;

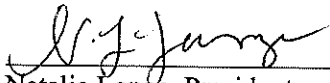
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the District shall do everything in its lawful authority to fight the epidemic of use of vaping devices by children, including but not limited to the following actions:

- Increasing awareness of the District's staff to recognize and intervene with students who are vaping
- Encouraging changes in regulation by local municipalities to restrict access or to take flavored options off the shelf
- Working with our families to increase the education of adults and children

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent and staff shall identify for the Board any updates to policies and procedures necessary to implement this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District shall post this Resolution at every school site and distribute it to District staff and parents in all the predominantly used languages of the District and shall broadly communicate the commitments of this Resolution.

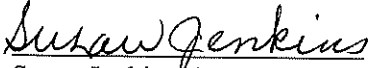
Adopted this 3rd day of February 2020.



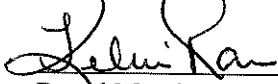
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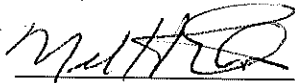
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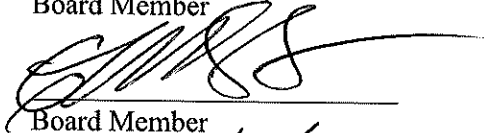
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