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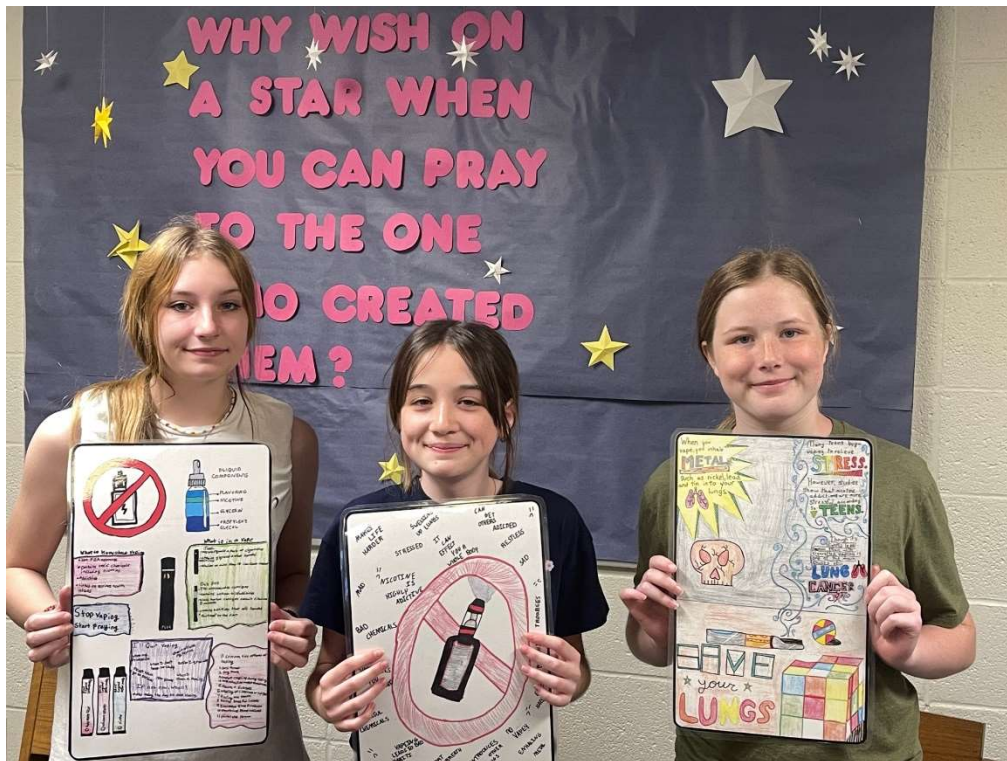


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“Vaping’s Not My Thing” Poster Contest Winners Announced



Peace Lutheran School: Cali Chroge (7th), Ayla Tatro (6th), Olivia Spencer (8th)

Students in the Antigo School District participated in “Vaping’s Not My Thing” poster contest earlier this semester. The Alliance for Substance use Prevention of Langlade County and the Antigo School District hosted this event to raise awareness about the harmful health effects vaping products have on our youth. Almost 40% of Antigo High School students who completed the 2021 Youth Risk Behavior Survey reported the use of electronic cigarettes.



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The posters, designed by students in 5th through 12th grade incorporated their thoughts on vaping and the health consequences for young people who use e-cigarettes. The posters were based on the following scientific facts:

- Teens who vape are more likely to start smoking cigarettes.
- Teens who vape may end up addicted to nicotine faster because most vapes contain a much higher concentration of nicotine compared to other tobacco products.
- Vapes may be used more frequently because they are easier to hide as they can resemble everyday items used in school.
- Teens who vape may be exposed to toxic and/or cancer-causing chemicals.
- Vaping can deliver metal particles into your lungs.
- Lung injuries specifically from vaping products have been diagnosed in our youth.

“We were very impressed at the thoughtfulness and work put into each poster by the students” said Donna Wiegert, public health nurse with the Langlade County Health Department. “I would like to thank each school, teachers and students who participated. It is important to bring attention to the harmful effects vaping can have on both our physical and mental health.” Wiegert adds.

For more information on the dangers of vaping, go to <https://bit.ly/2MsPy52>

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