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Dear Ilima Intermediate Families,

I am writing to make you aware of an incident that occurred on our campus recently, involving the use of a dab pen (vape). It is crucial that we address this matter promptly and transparently to ensure the safety and well-being of all our students.

Regrettably, in the past few days, one of our students was given a dab pen that was later discovered to have been loaded with THC, the active ingredient in marijuana. As a result of consuming this intoxicating substance, the individual experienced adverse effects, necessitating the intervention of Emergency Medical Services (EMS). The student was subsequently taken to the hospital and is currently in the process of recovering from this incident.

I want to emphasize the seriousness of this situation and underscore that the use of such substances on our campus is strictly prohibited. The safety and welfare of our students are paramount, and any activity involving intoxicating substances poses significant risks to their health and well-being.

It is imperative that we work together as a community to educate our children about the dangers associated with dab pens and similar substances. As parents, your involvement and communication with your children about the potential risks they may encounter are crucial in promoting responsible decision-making and safeguarding their health.

I urge you to take this opportunity to have open and honest conversations with your children about the dangers of dab pens and the potential consequences of their use. By fostering an environment of awareness and support, we can empower our students to make informed choices that prioritize their health and safety.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any concerns or require further assistance. Together, we can ensure a safe and nurturing environment for all our students.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and your continued support,

Shayne Greenland - Principal