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SFDR CISD Warns Students and Parents of Consequences Regarding Controlled Substance Violations

Throughout the 2018-19 school year there have been an estimated 44 students who have been disciplined for either possessing, selling, or using marijuana or another controlled substance; and at least one student has been charged with a felony controlled substance violation. These offenses represent three times as many offenses when compared to previous years. Of these violations, SFDR CISD continues to see an increase and remains concerned over the use of controlled substances (mainly marijuana) through vaping pens.

It should also be abundantly clear that any student, in particular, who is found to be in possession, using, selling, giving or delivering vape pens which contain THC oil, or any oil containing a similar controlled substance, **shall be** expelled from school for one school year and shall serve the full term assigned to the student without administrative review.

In light of this serious issue, SFDR CISD wants to remind parents that free drug testing kits are available through the school counselor upon request. Additionally, we also ask parents to remind students that school rules and the authority of the District to administer discipline apply whenever the interest of the District is involved, on or off school grounds in conjunction with or independent of classes and school-sponsored activities.

We are hopeful that working together, we can inform and guide our community's children to make the best decisions.