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Dear Frederick County Families and Youth:

May 22, 2023

The Frederick County Health Department's (FCHD) Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Program and the Equity Office invites middle and high school youth, ages 12 – 17, to participate in *Poster, Logo, and Slogan Contests* with the theme *Youth Nicotine Use & Vaping: Don't Start, Do Stop!*

The contests will begin May 22, 2023, and end June 18, 2023. All entries will be divided into two groups, middle and high school, and judged separately. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes will be awarded for both groups. The first-place prizes are an Amazon Fire HD 8 tablet, 8" HD Display. The second-place prizes are EarFun Free 2S Wireless Earbuds, and the third-place prizes are Bluetooth Tracker tiles - Tile Mate 1-Pack. Winning entries will also be displayed in the Frederick County Public Libraries, on the FCHD Facebook page, and the Tobacco Prevention and Cessation web page.

Tobacco and electronic vapor product use among Frederick County youth is a serious public health issue. According to the 2021 Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS), 15.6% of Frederick County High School youth reported current use of electronic vapor products such as e-cigarettes, vapes, vape pens, e-cigars, e-hookahs, hookah pens, and 33.3% reported ever using an electronic vapor product. While tobacco use has declined since the 2018 YRBS survey, Frederick County rates are still higher than the state average (14.7% and 32.3% respectively).

The Behavioral Services Division of FCHD offers a [Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Program](#). We know that it can be hard for some to get started, so we suggest that before creating your posters, logos, or slogans you check out the information and resources on their web page.

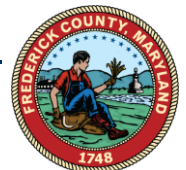
Contest Instructions: Posters, Logos and Slogans

- There are a set of instructions for each of the three contests. Each set of instructions include:
 - Definitions
 - Guidelines for creating posters, logos, and slogans
 - Submission steps
 - Judging process for entries
 - Winner selection, prizes, and display of entries
 - Deadlines
 - Parent / Guardian permission form
- Click on the following links to view instructions on each contest:
 - [Poster Contest](#)
 - [Logo Contest](#)
 - [Slogan Contest](#)

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Poster, logo, and slogan winners for middle and high school groups will be announced on Wednesday, July 5, 2023, on the Frederick County Health Department's Facebook page: [Facebook.com/FCHealthDept](https://www.facebook.com/FCHealthDept). Winners will be contacted by the Frederick County Health Department to arrange a time to pick up your prize.

If you have any questions regarding this opportunity, please contact Jan Wilhoit at 240-357-1925, or by email, jwilhoit@frederickcountymd.gov.

Sincerely,

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