

# VAPING - IT'S DEBATABLE

## ACTIVITY

### Time Needed

60-90 minutes

### Materials

Note-taking supplies

List of questions (below)

Access to the Internet

### Activity Description

Vaping companies market to children and adolescents much like the big tobacco companies did. You will look through the similarities of the marketing and learn about why vaping and the marketing of it is dangerous. Does knowing this information reinforce and/or change your opinion? What about your behavior? Why or why not?

### Suggested Steps

1. Consider each question and jot down your own personal reflections to share with others:

- What do you know about the Master Settlement Agreement?
- What do you know about smoking cigarettes?
- What do you think are the similarities between smoking cigarettes and e-cigarettes?
- What are the differences?
- What makes vaping dangerous?

2. Review the following articles:

<https://teens.drugabuse.gov/blog/post/monitoring-future-2019-highs-and-lows-vaping>

<https://teens.drugabuse.gov/blog/post/vaping-related-illnesses-and-deaths-what-we-know-so-far>

<https://www.aappublications.org/news/2019/08/26/ecigarettemarketing082619>

<https://www.publichealthlawcenter.org/topics/commercial-tobacco-control/commercial-tobacco-control-litigation/master-settlement-agreement>

3. Debate. Divide the students into two groups. Have them debate two sides of an issue. Here is a potential debate topic and you can feel free to come up with more:

- Does understanding the consequences of vaping change behavior?



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