

## VAPE DECTORS

A 2022 study found that more than 2.5 million middle and high schoolers use vapes at school, which caused many districts, including La Grange ISD, to install special detectors. The smart sensors can distinguish abnormalities in air quality, and the hope is they discourage vaping on school grounds. But the new house bill aims to be an additional deterrent strategy.

## **LOCAL DAEP**

If the DAEP is at capacity, the district will place the student in in-school suspension (ISS) until a spot opens in the DAEP. But the idea is to keep students in the classroom. Republican Sen. Tan Parker, who co-authored the bill, said the disciplinary action was one step above detention, one below suspension.

## NOTICE



## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

La Grange ISD is informing all students, parents and community members of a new bill that was passed in the 88th Texas Legislative session this summer. This bill pertains to the possession of vapes or ecigarettes that goes into effect this school year. House Bill 114 requires school districts to place students in a disciplinary alternative education program (DAEP) if caught with, selling or under the influence of a vape or e-cigarette, vape parts, or vape chargers, within 300 feet of school property or at a school-sanctioned event. The new law treats vapes as controlled substances like marijuana or alcohol.