



**For Immediate Release  
November 1, 2023**

For more information contact:  
Robyn Chapman  
Grant Program Manager  
(540) 672-5484 ext. 1

**OFFICE ON YOUTH ANNOUNCES CONTINUED VAPING PREVENTION PARTNERSHIP WITH  
ORANGE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

ORANGE COUNTY, Va. – The Orange County Office on Youth is pleased to announce a continuing partnership with Orange County Public Schools to combat the youth vaping epidemic.

Supported by a three-year grant from the Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth (VFHY), the Office on Youth has partnered with the Truth Initiative to offer *This is Quitting*, an anonymous text message program to help youth quit vaping. Orange County's specific text message code is **VAPEFREEOC** to 88709. Posters are located in the schools to help make students aware of this program.

Other upcoming grant activities will include a hands-on, youth-created anti-vaping art media campaign, tobacco litter clean-up events, a National Take Down Tobacco Day Signing Event hosted in one of the three secondary schools, and planning future Hidden in Plain Sight events.

Established in 1999 by the Virginia General Assembly, the VFHY empowers Virginia's youth to make healthy choices by reducing and preventing youth tobacco and nicotine use, substance use, and childhood obesity.

For additional information about Office on Youth grant programming, please contact Robyn Chapman at (540) 672-5484, extension 1, or [rchapman@orangecountyva.gov](mailto:rchapman@orangecountyva.gov).

###