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FEDERAL MEMBER FOR WHITLAM

Dear Committee Members,

I want to update you as the parents and carers of the students at Chevalier College - on the actions the Albanese Government is taking to reduce the harmful effects of vaping - particularly among young people.

Throughout 2024 a series of reforms will be implemented:

- Import bans: The importation of single-use vapes was banned on 1 January, and the importation of all non-therapeutic vapes was banned on 1 March.
- Stricter regulations and enforcement: From July, therapeutic vapes will have limited flavours, reduced nicotine, and pharmaceutical packaging. Marketing tactics targeting young people will be banned.
- Support for quitting: \$29.5 million will be allocated for quitting resources, including an online hub and mobile app.

Our approach does not ban e-cigarettes. E-cigarettes will continue to be available with prescription for those who use them as an aid to stop smoking and to treat nicotine addiction.

These reforms will make it easier to detect unlawful vaping products at the border and in retail settings, enable enhanced enforcement, and make it harder to evade detection.

Please be assured the Albanese Government is taking strong action to address the issue of vaping. Together, we can work towards making our schools vape-free and our students healthier.

You may also be interested to know that I regularly send out a Grants Bulletin where I provide information about federal government grant opportunities that may be of interest to your school community, to sign up, please visit: [Grants \(stephenjones.org.au\)](https://stephenjones.org.au)

Please contact my office on 02 4297 2285 or via email: Stephen.jones.mp@aph.gov.au if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

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