

Iowa Students for Tobacco Education and Prevention

- Congratulations to our new youth Commission members, Emilie Stewart and Mattie Kompsie! Emilie was appointed as ISTEP President and Mattie as our newest voting member. Both reside in Warren County and will add great value.
- A special thank you to Courtney Sweet for serving as our ISTEP President the last three years. Best of luck on your new adventure!
- Chapter registration ended for FY24. There were 77 chapters throughout 35 counties with 20 of those chapters being newly established. For reference, we ended FY23 with 66 chapters throughout 35 counties.
- Chapter registration is now open for FY25. There currently are 21 ISTEP chapters throughout 12 counties registered on IowaSTEP.org. Two of the chapters are newly established.
- The ISTEP Council met in June for their annual Summer Retreat and began planning their FY25 street marketing events and kits. More details will be ready to share at our next Commission meeting.
- Similarly to last year, the Council met with the Resist Kansas youth Council to plan one of the events and kits together. This year, they learned about mental health and vaping, then began planning a kit for their local groups to implement. More details will be ready to share at our next Commission meeting.

Voting Youth Members, Abi Harmison, Mattie Kompsie & Sellah Ambundo ISTEP Youth Coordinator, Jill Wright