

NO SMOKING AND/OR VAPING POLICY

PREAMBLE

To promote a healthy learning environment, workplace and lifestyle, this policy directs that smoking, electronic cigarettes, and the use of tobacco or vapour products is prohibited at all times in all school areas located inside the school building and includes all school property located outside.

Smoking, vaping and the use of tobacco products including chewing tobacco, electronic cigarettes and vapour products is prohibited at all times in all school areas and on all school property. This includes all e-substances - it does not matter if the e-substance contains nicotine or is nicotine free.

DEFINITIONS:

“e-substance” is a solid, liquid or gas that when heated by the element in the electronic cigarette, produces a vapour for use in the device.

“Smoke-free or Vape-free zone” is an area within the vicinity of a school where smoking, electronic cigarettes, and the use of tobacco or vapour products is prohibited. This area will encompass school buildings and properties and extend a reasonable distance from school property. The “smoke-free or vape-free zone” is in effect for students at all times they are under the school’s jurisdiction.

“Vapour Product or Electronic Cigarette” is a device that contains an electronic or battery-powered heating element that can vapourize an e-substance.

REGULATIONS:

1. All school areas within the building and outside school grounds and all other school property shall be smoke-free and vape-free. No one (student, employee, visitor, facility user, or member of the public) is permitted to smoke, vape, or use tobacco or vapour products on school property at any time.
2. No smoking or vaping is permitted in any school/company vehicle at any time.
3. No smoking or vaping is permitted in any vehicle while on school property at any time.
4. No smoking or vaping is permitted at any school functions or extra-curricular activities including those that occur off of school property. These include but are not limited to school travel, dances, sporting events, drama, music events, student council activities and any other activities that are sponsored and/or organized by the school.

VIOLATION OF POLICY:

Students who violate this policy will be subject to discipline as per Eric G. Lambert's Discipline Code:

Smoking/Vaping First occurrence: Verbal warning; inform parent(s). **Second occurrence:** Letter of warning; inform parent(s); loss of school privilege(s) for one month. **Third occurrence:** In addition to (2) above, the student will serve a one-day in-school suspension. **Fourth occurrence:** An out-of-school suspension.

Note: The principal reserves the right to apply consequence(s) for inappropriate behavior not specifically described in this code but nevertheless is determined to defy the spirit of the code.

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