



SMOKE FREE ENVIRONMENT POLICY

No 605

Rationale

The Smoke Free Environment Act 1990 seeks to prevent, so far as is reasonably practicable, the detrimental effects of smoking in the health of any person who does not smoke or who does not wish to smoke inside the workplace. From the beginning of 2004 it became illegal for persons to smoke on school premises and from 2020 this includes vaping.

Policy Statement

This school will:

- Abide by the Smoke Free Environment Act to exclude smoking from school premises.
- Prevent detrimental effects of smoking on the health of any non-smoking person whilst in the work environment.

Policy Guidelines

- The school site including the staffroom, workroom and other staff facilities, school grounds and buildings are to be smoke-free environments.
- No smoking by staff or by visitors is permitted in any classroom, foyer or school offices, grounds, and buildings.
- Any person can complain to the Board if they believe that there has been a contravention of the Act.
- The Board will follow procedures to deal with any complaint as set out in the Act.
- Staff are not permitted to smoke either on school premises or while undertaking school-related activities.
- Staff or student breaches of this policy will be subject to school disciplinary procedures.

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