

HASSENBROOK SCHOOL Specialist Technology College



SMOKING POLICY

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It is the intention of the governing body to promote and protect the health and well-being of its employees, students and other visitors to the school. There is recognition that smoking is bad for health and unpleasant to many users of buildings and services. We believe that those working with children are in a unique position to act as positive role models and have a responsibility to send out consistent messages about the hazards of smoking.

From 1st July 2007 all workplaces in England must be smoke free (Health Act 2006 and the Smoke Free Premises and Enforcements Regulations 2006). From this date it is a criminal offence to smoke in a smoke free place. In the light of the new legislation our policy on smoking has been revised to reflect the national changes. This policy also ensures that we meet the requirements of the National Healthy School Programme.

AIMS

Protect the staff, students and young people and visitors from the effects of tobacco smoke.
Acknowledge the educational role of the organisation in discouraging children and young people from starting to smoke.

SCOPE

The policy applies to all employees, pupils, contractors, visitors and members of the public whilst on our site.

RESTRICTIONS

Smoking is not allowed anywhere on the premises nor in any other areas including doorways, entrances, walkways, playgrounds, playing fields and car parks for the health, safety and well-being of our staff and visitors.

The smoking policy will apply to any rooms or premises that are hired out for functions.

Smoking outside buildings

No smoking should take place in any part of the school premises, either indoors or outdoors.

Smoking in vehicles

Smoking is not allowed in vehicles owned by the school. e.g. mini bus or transport hired by the school.

CONTROL AND MONITORING

The Headteacher and Managers are responsible for ensuring staff comply with this policy. Persistent and/or intentional breaches of the policy will lead to disciplinary action under the school's Disciplinary procedure.

Any visitor to our premises breaking the conditions of this policy will be asked to stop smoking or to leave the premises.

Support is available from the NHS Stop Smoking Helplines for those who want help to stop smoking:

Other useful contacts:

Action on Smoking and Health (ASH) - offer confidential advice on problems associated with smoking in the workplace

Tel: 0207 739 5902 www.ash.org.uk

NHS Stop Smoking www.smokefreeaction.org.uk

Quit www.quit.org.uk -

The National 'Giving Up Smoking' Helpline is on 0800 1690169