



**Lionheart Educational Trust** 

# **ANTI-SMOKING AND VAPING POLICY**

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### **Aims**

Sir Jonathan North Girls' College regards itself as a health-promoting organisation and as such seeks to:

- Protect the staff, students, community and visitors from the harmful effects of tobacco smoke and vapour
- Provide a healthy environment for employees and students
- Acknowledge the educational role of the organisation in promoting healthy lifestyles and discouraging young people from starting smoking or vaping
- Help smokers to quit
- Promote a positive approach to anti-smoking and vaping as an organisation.

### Introduction

The College has been designated a non-smoking or vaping site. This policy identifies how Sir Jonathan North will continue to maintain a smoke and vape-free environment within the College campus for the benefit of students, staff, visitors, parents and carers as well as members of the local community.

For the purposes of this policy smoking is defined as any tobacco based product and/or e-cigarettes.

Sir Jonathan North Girls' College will continue to encourage and support students and staff to not smoke or vape on site.

# **Policy Strategy**

The College is designated a non-smoking site and everyone involved with the college community is expected to adhere to the Anti-Smoking and Vaping Policy. These groups include:

- Employees
- Students
- Parents/carers
- Volunteers
- Governors
- Visitors
- Contractors
- Community Users

In accordance with the College's Anti-Smoking and Vaping Policy, the following will apply:

## Students

- Students are not allowed to smoke or vape at college or whilst engaged in any off-site activity connected with the college
- Students should not smoke or vape whilst travelling to and from the college or in the vicinity of the College. Vicinity is described as in sight of the college, Knighton Lane East. Students should not smoke or vape during social time within the college including break and lunch whether on the college premises or off.



#### Staff

- Staff are recognised as role models and as such are required not to smoke or vape in sight of students during college business. This includes visits, trips, college fixtures etc
- Staff should not smoke or vape within the immediate vicinity of the college at any time.

### **Visitors, Contractors and Community Users**

- The Anti-Smoking and Vaping Policy applies to all visitors to the college including suppliers, supply or temporary staff, members of the public using the community and training facilities and contractors
- Such users should not smoke or vape within the immediate vicinity of the college at any time.

#### **Parents and Carers**

 It will be requested that parents and carers adhere to the Anti-Smoking and Vaping Policy and refrain from smoking or vaping on the college grounds or in the vicinity of the college.

#### **Events**

- The college's Anti-Smoking and Vaping Policy applies to all social events/hirers of the college's rooms and facilities.
- Where events are booked by outside agencies, all parties are to be made aware of the college's Anti-Smoking and Vaping Policy.

## Students Who Fail To Adhere To This Policy

- Any student found smoking or vaping on the college campus, in the vicinity of the college or on an off-site visit linked to the college will have a letter sent home to their parent/carer to inform them of the issue and to provide support in quitting smoking. They will also receive an exclusion in line with the College behaviour policy.
- If a student is caught repeatedly smoking or vaping on the college campus, in the vicinity of the college or on an off-site visit linked to the college, they will receive an additional sanction in line with the College behaviour policy and be asked to engage in a workshop after school providing support to quit smoking.

# Communication of the Policy

- Parents are to be made aware of any changes to the college's Anti-Smoking and Vaping
  Policy by it being updated on the College website
- New staff will be informed through induction of the College's policy
- The policy will be available on the college website to inform all prospective parents, staff, students and visitors
- Information will be shared with students through assemblies and tutor time
- Staff members will inform visitors as appropriate.