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SMOKING POLICY

1 General

Bryanston operates a clear policy prohibiting the consumption, possession or purchase of tobacco. The School also bans vaping and vaping equipment. The School adopts a combination of education and sanctions in order to discourage smoking and vaping. This policy may be seen in the context of an environment in which the health hazards of smoking and vaping are becoming increasingly apparent and in which there have been changes in national legislation. (Following changes in the law in 2007, the whole Bryanston site was designated a No Smoking Site; in addition, the age at which young people may purchase tobacco was raised from 16 to 18). Further changes to the law in 2015 made it illegal for retailers to sell electronic cigarettes or e-liquids to anyone under 18.

2 Policy Aims

The aims of the School's policy on tobacco are:

- To provide accurate information relating to tobacco/vaping and the dangers involved.
- To enable pupils to make sensible decisions and informed choices.
- To enable pupils to identify sources of appropriate personal support if they need guidance in relation to tobacco and vaping.
- To provide clear information about the law and rules relating to tobacco/vaping and the consequences of any breach.
- To ensure people using the school site are aware that it is a No Smoking Site.

3 Education

We seek to achieve these aims through a whole school approach to tobacco education, which is principally based on delivery via the PSRE programme, but also in other contexts (including Assemblies and via the Medical Centre).

4 Sanctions

Junior smoking (years D/C/B)

- First offence – Reporting Chart and formal communication to parents.
- Second offence – Head's Chart, formal communication to parents and an appointment with the Deputy Head - Pupil Development.
- Third and Subsequent offences – Suspension (48 hours), completion of the week on Head's Chart, an appointment with the Head and weekend Estate work.

House Parent to discuss **any** incident of a pupil in B/C/D smoking/vaping with parents and



pupils and offer meeting with the medical centre.

Senior smoking/vaping (years A3/A2)

- First offence – House Gating (1 week), Senior Detention and communication to parents.
- Second offence – Reporting Chart, Head’s Detention (Saturday evening), communication to parents and an appointment with the Deputy Head - Pupil Development.
- Third offence – Head’s Chart, communication to parents and an appointment with the Deputy Head - Pupil Development.
- Subsequent offences – Suspension (48 hours), completion of the week on Head’s Chart, communication to parents, an appointment with the Head and weekend Estate work.

5 Additional Points

In addition to what has been written above, we also have an offence which we refer to as aggravated smoking. This is for more serious smoking offences, examples of which include blatancy, proximity to buildings (e.g. close to a Junior House), possession of large amounts of tobacco or vaping materials, incidents of Seniors smoking/vaping with Juniors and a lack of transparency (e.g. lying). For such offences a higher punishment may result.

Individual House Parents may also apply the sanction of 'grounding to the House', usually after 9.00pm, if they deem it appropriate. Smoking in a building is dealt with as a separate and much more serious offence and it results in automatic suspension from School for clear safety reasons.

Smoking or Vaping which uses THC or any substance that may be classified as a 'drug' or 'illegal substance' falls under the Bryanston Policy on 'Illegal Drugs and Substance Misuse'

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Bryanston Prep is also a no smoking zone.

- Pupils are not allowed to smoke or vape even with parental permission.
- Pupils caught smoking or vaping will be considered to be a very serious matter, warranting a review of the child’s future at Bryanston Prep in line with the School’s Behaviour Policy.

This document should be read in conjunction with:

- Bryanston School Rules and Regulations
- Bryanston School Behaviour Policy
- Bryanston Illegal Drugs and Substance Misuse Policy