



# **No-Smoking Policy**

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## Why do we need a no-smoking policy?

At Belper School and Sixth Form Centre we value the health and welfare of all within our community as a key priority. We believe that a healthy and safe environment is important in terms of physical well-being, and is also a vital factor in promoting emotional health, which in turn will affect the raising of standards.

It is important to us, that our policy and approach to smoking should reflect changing social attitudes, and actively reflect and support our goals for effective and lasting drugs education.

In developing our school's policy on smoking, we have sought to:

- Build on our commitment to community well-being
- Reinforce our drug education aims
- Reflect LA policy
- Meet DfES guidelines

## What is the policy?

It is the policy of Belper School, that smoking will not be allowed at any school function or anywhere on the school premises. This includes:

- All school buildings
- All school grounds (including the school playing fields)
- All off-site activities
- All educational and other visits
- All outside lettings

The policy applies to EVERYONE involved with the school community in any way:

- Employees
- Students
- Voluntary helpers
- Governors
- Visitors
- Outside contractors working on-site
- Anyone attending an outside letting

As a school we believe that everyone connected with us has a responsibility to be actively involved in the implementation of our no-smoking policy, and to assist in taking all necessary and appropriate steps to ensure its full implementation.

As part of that strategy, we will:

- a) Ensure that the policy is regularly made known to all concerned, including; staff, students, parents/carers, voluntary helpers and hirers. This will include the display of no-smoking signs.
- b) Offer all practical support to anyone in the school community who is seeking to stop smoking. Smoking cessation from Fresh Start will be offered.
- c) Keep a regular check on the school premises to ensure that they are clear of any smoking related litter.
- d) Support the reasoning behind the no smoking policy through our drug education programme within PHSCE.

### **Sanctions**

If students are caught smoking, a letter will be sent to the parent/carer by the tutor, explaining the circumstances and the school's view of smoking. Students may also be given break and lunchtime detentions, or alternative sanctions as listed at stage 2 of the School Discipline Policy. The incident should be recorded on a yellow incident form, see stage 2, point 3 of the School Discipline Policy. Exclusion may be considered for persistent offenders

This document is freely available to the entire school community. It has been made available on the school web-site, in Faculty and Year offices and in the main school office.

It will be reviewed on a three yearly basis.

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### **Policy Links**

PHSCE  
Science  
Drugs Education  
Drug Incident Management policy  
School Discipline policy