



No Smoking Policy

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Aim

The Yorkshire Endeavor Academy Trust regards itself as a health-promoting organization. It recognizes that its staff act as role models for pupils in all aspects of academy school life, including health promotion. In light of the evidence that second-hand smoke causes damage to health this policy has been implemented to;

- Protect all YEAT staff, children and young people and visitors from the effects of tobacco smoke
- Acknowledge the educational role of YEAT in discouraging children and young people from starting to smoke; and
- Help smokers to quit.

Rationale

- Smoking is the single most preventable cause of premature death and ill health in our society.
- Passive smoking – breathing other people’s tobacco smoke – is also potentially fatal. It has been shown to cause lung cancer, as well as many other illnesses, in non-smokers. Children are particularly vulnerable to the effects of second-hand smoke.
- Breathing in second-hand smoke is a health and safety issue for all adults who work for YEAT.
- Everyone has the right to breathe clean air.
- Schools have a major role to play in working towards non-smoking being seen as the norm in society.
- Children need to receive consistent messages and require non-smoking role models within the academy schools.

No Smoking Policy

Smoking is not allowed anywhere on academy school premises – buildings and grounds.

Staff

Staff are recognised ‘role models’ and as such are required not to smoke in sight of the children. This will include visits/school trips etc. and include teaching and non-teaching staff.

Visitors

The No Smoking Policy applies to all visitors to an academy school (including suppliers, supply or temporary staff and repair people).

Parents and Carers

It will be requested that Parents and Carers adhere to the No Smoking Policy and refrain from smoking on Academy school grounds.

Communicating the Policy

The following arrangements have been made for informing people of the policy’s existence:

- Staff will be informed of the No Smoking Policy at recruitment.
- Clearly worded signs will be sited to inform visitors that YEAT premises are Smoke Free.
- Staff members will inform visitors of the policy when necessary.
- Information will be included in the academy school prospectus and on the website to inform prospective Parents and Carers of the No Smoking Policy.

Scope

This policy applies to all employees of Yorkshire Endeavour Academy Trust.