

Swanwick School and Sports College

Smoking Policy

Why do we need a smoking policy?

At Swanwick School and Sports College we value the health and welfare of all who form our community as a key priority for all involved with its management, at whatever level. We believe that not only is a healthy and safe environment important in terms of physical well-being, but it is also a vital factor in promoting emotional health, which in turn will affect the raising of standards.

It is important to us as a school that not only should our policy and approach to smoking reflect changing social attitudes, but, more importantly, it should actively reflect and support our goals for effective and lasting drug education. Therefore this policy promotes practices within the school to reinforce our vision and to remove or discourage practices that negate them.

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 LEA policy
- Meet DSCF guidelines
- Meet Health guidelines

What is the policy?

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

- All school buildings
- All school grounds (including the school playing fields)
- Smoking in a vehicle parked anywhere on the school grounds
- 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
- Pupils
- Voluntary helpers
- Governors
- Visitors

- Outside contractors working onsite
- 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 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 it is regularly made known to all it concerns including staff, pupils, parents / carers, voluntary helpers and hirers
- B. b) Offer all practical support to anyone in the school community who is seeking to stop smoking
- C. c) Keep a regular check on the school premises to ensure that they are clear of any smoking-related litter
- D. d) Support the reasoning behind the no-smoking policy through our drug education scheme of work.
- E. e) Involve the school nurse and DAS (Derbyshire Action on Smoking-PCT) and implement appropriate strategies.

Monitoring and Review:

This policy, and its implementation will be regularly evaluated by the governing body and will be formally reviewed as part of Swanwick School and Sports College monitoring process.

Policy Development:

This policy document was produced in consultation with the entire school community including pupils, parents, school staff, Governors, LEA representatives, community dietician, school community nurse and local Healthy School Standards representative.

This document is freely available to the entire school community. It is available via the school website or by contacting the school.