



WAIKATO DIOCESAN
School for Girls

Smoke-free Policy

NAG 6 – Compliance Policy # 6.3

Rationale

The Smoke-free Environments Act (1999) requires school buildings and grounds to be smoke-free. The school seeks to prevent, so far as is reasonably practicable, the detrimental effects of smoking and vaping on the health of any person who does not smoke/vape or who does not wish to smoke/vape, inside the workplace.

Policy Statement

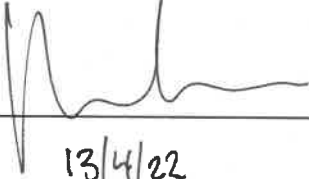
It is the policy of this school to comply with the Smoke-free Environments Act (1999) and in doing so will:

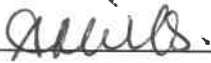
- Provide students and staff with the right to a safe and healthy smoke-free and vape-free environment.
- Prevent detrimental effects of smoking and vaping on the health of any non-smoking/vaping person whilst in the work environment.
- Reduce smoking and vaping uptake among students and have a role to play in working towards a healthy society.

Guidelines

1. All buildings and areas within the school grounds (including school vehicles, whether on school grounds or not) of Waikato Diocesan School for Girls are to be smoke-free and vape-free environments 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
2. Education outside the classroom and other similar events held off-site are also considered to be smoke-free and vape-free. Parent helpers in particular will be reminded prior to such trips that they must refrain from smoking and/or vaping while in the presence of students.
3. In accordance with the requirements of the smoke-free legislation, the school will display appropriate signage at every entrance to the school; and every outer entrance to every building or enclosed area forming part of the premises. The purpose is to ensure that all people who come onto the grounds are aware that the entire grounds are considered smoke-free. Contractors and visitors to the school will be advised of this policy.
4. Groups wishing to use or hire school facilities will be made aware of this policy and will be expected to adhere to it.

5. Information sent to prospective employees will include a reference to this policy.
6. Any breach of policy by staff or students will be subject to school disciplinary procedures.

Adopted by BOT:  Signed (BOT Chairperson)
13/4/22 Date

Adopted by PB:  Signed (PB Chairperson)
30.3.22. Date

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