



BEAUCHAMP COLLEGE

Lionheart Educational Trust

ANTI-SMOKING AND VAPING POLICY

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Aims

Beauchamp College regards itself as a health-promoting organisation and as such seeks to:

- Protect the staff, students, community and visitors from the harmful effects of tobacco smoke and vaping
- Provide a healthy environment for employees and students
- Acknowledge the educational role of the organisation in promoting healthy lifestyles and discouraging young people from starting smoking
- Help smokers of cigarettes and vaping to quit
- Promote a positive approach to anti-smoking and anti-vaping as an organisation.

Introduction

Beauchamp College has been designated a non-smoking/non-vaping site. This policy identifies how Beauchamp College will continue to maintain a vape and smoke-free environment within the college campus for the benefit of students, staff, visitors, parents and carers as well as members of the local community.

For the purposes of this policy smoking is defined as any tobacco-based product or e-cigarettes and vaping

Beauchamp College will continue to encourage and support students to not smoke through gatherings, tutor time or any other time on school site or outside the school premises.

Where there has been suspicion of vaping in an area of the school, school staff may periodically use a vape detector (wand) to check students clothing for vapes before they use the toilet.

Policy Strategy

The College is designated a non-smoking and non-vaping site and everyone involved with the college community is expected to adhere to the Anti-Smoking and Vaping Policy. These groups include:

- Employees
- Students
- Parents/carers
- Volunteers
- Governors
- Visitors
- Contractors
- Community Users

In accordance with the College's Anti-Smoking and Vaping Policy, the following will apply:

Students

- Students are not allowed to smoke or vape at college or whilst engaged in any off-site activity connected with the college
- Students should not smoke or vape whilst travelling to and from the college or in the vicinity of the College. Vicinity is described as in sight of the college, Ridgeway, Coombe Rise, Gartree High School and Brocks Hill Primary School



Staff

- Staff are recognised as role models and as such are required not to smoke in sight of students during college business. This includes visits, trips, college fixtures etc
- Staff should not smoke or vape within the immediate vicinity of the college at any time

Visitors, Contractors and Community Users

- The Anti-Smoking and Vaping Policy applies to all visitors to the college including suppliers, supply or temporary staff, members of the public using the community and training facilities and contractors
- Such users should not smoke or vape within the immediate vicinity of the college at any time

Parents and Carers

- It will be requested that parents and carers adhere to the Anti-Smoking and Vaping Policy and refrain from smoking or vaping on the college grounds or in the vicinity of the college

Events

- The college's Anti-Smoking and Vaping Policy applies to all social events/hirers of the college's rooms and facilities.
- Where events are booked by outside agencies, all parties are to be made aware of the college's Anti-Smoking and Vaping Policy.

Students Who Fail to Adhere to this Policy

- Any student found smoking or vaping on the college campus, in the vicinity of the college or on an off-site visit linked to the college will have a letter sent home to their parent/carer to inform them of the issue and to provide support in quitting smoking and be sanctioned of C3, detention of 1 hour and 30 minutes, to be scheduled the next day
- If a student is suspected of smoking or vaping, we use a school's power to request to search students' possessions and outer clothing should a suspicion be reported. This will always be conducted in pairs and a record of the search will be logged and parental contact made. A follow up dialogue will take place a few days after the search so the young person is aware of why we have taken this action. We may also use a 'search wand', which is a piece of equipment that is waved in close proximity to the person being searched but does not touch them, it can detect vapes and some drug paraphernalia.
- If a student is caught repeatedly smoking or vaping on the college campus, in the vicinity of the college or on an off-site visit linked to the college they may receive one or more of the following sanctions depending on the circumstances:
 - Loss of break/lunch privileges
 - Community service
 - Hosting of internal isolation at another Trust school
 - In extreme circumstances suspension may be considered. This will be logged as a drug and alcohol related incident.

Communication of the Policy

- Parents are to be made aware of any changes to the college's Anti-Smoking and Vaping Policy through letters home and parent mail



- New staff will be informed through induction of the college's policy
- The policy will be available on the college website to inform all prospective parents, staff, students and visitors
- Information will be shared with students through gatherings and tutor time
- Staff members will inform visitors as appropriate
- Clearly worded signs will be located at key positions to inform visitors and community users

[Links to other policies](#)

[Beauchamp College Drugs Policy \(2024-2025\)](#)