



STAWELL SECONDARY COLLEGE

Student Smoking Policy

Rationale:

- The uptake of smoking occurs predominantly among teenagers and procedures have been established to discourage the practise of smoking. Stawell Secondary College recognises the danger smoking and passive smoking causes to health and has established a policy to ensure that the entire school grounds are smoke free, meeting department guidelines.

Aims:

- Smoking is not permitted in any area of the school property or within 4 metres of any boundary, nor at a school related activity or function, by students, parents, staff or visitors.
- To meet legislative requirements and avoid a breach of the 'Tobacco Act No. 81 of 1987, section 5RD'.

Definitions:

Word	Definition
Smoking	The action or habit of inhaling and exhaling the smoke of tobacco or a drug.
Passive Smoking	The involuntary inhaling of smoke from other people's cigarettes, cigars or pipes.
Risk Reduction Agreement	A document developed with the student, parent and designated staff member to reduce the risk for the student in regards to smoking.

Implementation:

- All students are made aware of the school smoking policy at the commencement of each year.
- Staff follow Smoking Management Procedures as necessary.

Evaluation:

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's review cycle in March every 3 years, in conjunction with the Child Safe Policy. The review will be led by the Wellbeing Team and referred to the Policy Sub-Committee and School Council for ratification.

Last reviewed: March 2019

Next review date: March 2022