

Smoking and Sanctions

Box Hill School, in line with UK law, is a non-smoking campus and thus any pupil found to be smoking, with smokers or in the possession of smoking apparatus will be subject to discipline. Please note that any pupil found to be vaping or in possession of vaping equipment may also be in breach of the School's Drugs Policy.

These sanctions outlined below relate to offences committed in one term. The following sanctions will apply for all year groups where a pupil is found to be smoking or with smokers:

1st Offence (Outside):

- 1 hour lunchtime detention
- Communication from Head of Year or House Parent as appropriate to parents/guardians

2nd Offence (Outside):

- 2x 1 hour lunchtime detention
- Removal of 6th Form Privilege to check out on Wednesday/House confined during week
- Communication from Head of Year or House Parent as appropriate to parents/guardians

3rd Offence (Outside):

- SLT detention
- Weekend Gating
- Communication from member of SMT or SLT as appropriate to parents/guardians

4th Offence (Outside) OR 1st Offence (Inside a building):

- Parents/guardians and pupil will be invited to an interview with the Headmaster (or appropriate delegated Senior member of staff).
- Internal Suspension for 24 hours

Please note:

- The Headmaster will exercise his discretion as to the most appropriate response for any offence.
- Continued abuse of the smoking rule may well result in temporary external exclusion (suspension) from School or a similar sanction. This can be applied from the first offence if the Headmaster deems the circumstances sufficient.
- Where a boarder is found to have smoking materials within their rooms this is likely to result in an internal suspension (for a first offence). Community Service could also service as a sanction for a Boarder.
- Serious sanctions could ensue if pupils are caught smoking off campus and are thereby bringing the School into disrepute.
- Pupils who are regular smokers will be offered medical intervention to cease smoking.
- The School will always contact the manager of any establishment found to be active in selling tobacco or tobacco products to under-age pupils and the Police may also be informed.

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