

# MacKillop College



## Policy: Smoking

### Introduction

MacKillop College recognizes that exposure to smoking (including vaping and use of e-cigarettes) is harmful to health and that the school community has a right to be protected. Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) legislation requires employers to control risks from exposure to environmental tobacco smoke (ETS) at work for their staff members, students, visitors, contractors and volunteers. Smoking is banned within the grounds of, and at and within 4 metres of an entrance to all secondary schools in the state of Victoria.

### Principles

MacKillop College is committed to:

- protecting the health and safety of all its employees, students and others who may be affected by environmental tobacco smoke (ETS) at the school, by creating a smoke-free workplace
- complying with legislation and regulatory requirements relating to smoking in a school environment

### Objectives

MacKillop College is committed to:

- protecting the health of employees, students and others
- providing information to all employees, students and others about the expectation of complying with smoking regulations

### Implementation

#### i) Principal commitment

The principal is responsible for ensuring that:

- the objectives of this policy are integrated into practice
- all staff are aware that smoking is illegal anywhere on the College property

#### ii) Staff Commitment

Staff are responsible for ensuring that:

- they comply with this policy and relevant procedures
- they will provide guidance and information for students regarding the Smoking Policy

**This policy works in conjunction with the following policies, procedures, provisions and guidelines:**

- Drugs and Alcohol Policy
- Tobacco Act 1987
- OHS Act 2004

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Rory Kennedy (Principal)