

## SCHOOL PROCEDURE 12: SMOKEFREE

### Rationale

Smoking is a health risk and contrary to the healthy role models we promote at Whareorino School. The Smoke-free Environments Act directs that all buildings and grounds are smokefree, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. As from November 11, 2020 under the Smokefree Environments and Regulated Products Act, the existing prohibition on smoking at schools, kura kaupapa, kôhanga reo and early childhood facilities is extended to include vaping. This means these places must be smoke free and vape free, indoors and out, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

*The Smokefree Environments and Regulated Products (Vaping) Amendment Act 2020 (the Amendment Act)*

### Purposes

1. To comply with legislation regarding smoking and vaping in public places.
2. To maintain a healthy working environment at Whareorino School that is 100 percent smokefree, inside and outside, at all times.
3. To display a healthy life style.
4. Prevent the exposure of children and young people to second-hand smoke.
5. Send a positive message about a smokefree, (auahi kore), lifestyle as the norm.

### Guidelines

1. Smoking within the school environment, grounds and buildings, is prohibited at all times.
2. Whareorino School Board will take all reasonably practical steps to ensure that no one smokes or is vaping, on site of the school, at any time, on any day.
3. Whareorino School Board will take all reasonably practical steps to ensure that signs are placed at entrances to the site and buildings. These signs will include Whareorino School property and premises are smoke free
4. No exemptions for staff or visitors to smoke inside or on school grounds, including after hours.
5. That teachers and support staff applying for appointment to the school be informed of this policy.
7. Whareorino School Board will ensure that all school users know about this policy by including a reminder in any contract or lease entered into with those wishing to use, hire or manage facilities within the school grounds, including buildings.
8. Teachers educate students through the curriculum about the harmful effects of smoking and exposure to secondhand smoke.
9. We communicate our policy to new parents through our enrolment packs and our school website.

# WHAREORINO SCHOOL



***at all times***

***This includes smoking and vaping.***

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PRINCIPAL

Dated: February 1, 2022