**INTRODUCTION**

The purpose of this policy is to promote a safe and healthy environment for all students, staff and visitors at SKAPE by prohibiting the use of vaping products on school premises.

The policy applies to all students, staff and visitors while on the premises, during any events on the grounds held by SKAPE and on any transportation provided by SKAPE.

**DEFINITIONS**

Vaping products – Includes electronic cigarettes (e- cigarettes), vape pens, personal vaporizers, CBD vapes and any other device that delivers nicotine or other substances through vaporisation.

Vape juice – Solutions used in vaping devices, which may contain nicotine, flavourings and other chemicals.

**GUIDELINES**

The following guidelines should be followed:

* The use of vaping products is strictly prohibited on SKAPE grounds, in any SKAPE buildings, at SKAPE sponsored events and on any SKAPE transportation.
* During PSHE sessions, SKAPE will provide educational lessons to inform students about the risk associated with vaping, including health risks and legal implications.
* Staff members are responsible for enforcing this policy. Any student found using vape products on SKAPE premises will be subject to disciplinary actions.
* This policy will be communicated to students and parents during the introduction meeting before the student starts SKAPE. The policy will also be available on the SKAPE website.
* This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure its effectiveness and compliance with government guidelines.

SKAPE is committed to creating a healthy learning environment. By implementing this policy, we aim to protect the well being of our students and foster a culture of health and wellness within our provisions community.

Signed: Date: 24/9/24

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