



# KAIPARA COLLEGE

## DRUG, ALCOHOL AND SMOKEFREE POLICY

### RATIONALE

- 1.1 To provide guidelines for ensuring a safe and drug-free environment.

### GUIDELINES

- 2.1 Under the Code of Conduct, alcohol, smoking and drugs are not permitted. This includes the use of e-vapour type cigarettes.
- 2.2 Having in one's possession, distributing, buying or selling, consuming, smoking or using drugs or being under the influence of alcohol or drugs is included under Guideline 1.1.
- 2.3 Substances not permitted at school include illegal, prescription medicines and drugs (apart from the person designated for); synthetic drugs and any other alcohol, drug or tobacco substance which is deemed by the board to be inappropriate for a safe school environment.
- 2.4 Appropriate and serious consequences, subject to principles of natural justice, will apply for non-compliance.
- 2.5 Under the board's guidelines for extra-territoriality, the Drug, Alcohol and Smoke free policy is applied to any student who can be identified as a student of Kaipara College through uniform or through involvement in a school-related activity.
- 2.6 In the event of a student requiring prescription drugs or medicine, including panadol type tablets, these must be handed to the student centre for safe keeping during the school day.
- 2.7 Staff, students, parents, caregivers and the community will be made aware annually, through the school's newsletter, of the school's Drug, Alcohol and Smokefree Policy.
- 2.8 Staff, parents and voluntary helpers are not to consume alcohol, take illegal or synthetic drugs or smoke on site at school events where they are responsible for students, families or community members involved, including school trips. Should this occur, the matter will be referred to the board.
- 2.9 If an event is school related (e.g. fundraising, staff only occasions) where students are not involved, permission to provide alcohol must be sought from the principal or board.
- 2.10 The health programme will cover issues relating to smoking, drug and alcohol use and abuse.
- 2.11 Any students or staff seeking assistance with substance abuse issues will be given appropriate support through the guidance department.

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