Reddish Vale High School Behaviour Policy - Appendix 1

This appendix to the behaviour policy was adopted by Reddish Vale High School on 15th June 2020 in response to delivering Face-to-Face sessions following Covid-19 schools closures and ensuring a 'COVID-19 Secure' environment.

1. Introduction

- Following schools being closed to the majority of pupils, the Department for Education have announced a phased-re-opening of Secondary Schools starting with the introduction of faceto-face sessions delivered to Year 10 pupils with guidance on re-opening for other year groups to follow.
- To make it easy to read, this appendix talks about *teachers*. But when we use the word *teachers* we also mean *other staff with responsibility for pupils*.
- This policy appendix is guided by the Department for Education Guidance released throughout May and June 2020 regarding the re-opening of schools and other education establishments.
- In gradually re-opening school to an increased number of students, our first concern is for the health, safety and wellbeing of all students and staff. Therefore, the additional expectations within our behaviour policy have to be expressed with absolute clarity.
- This policy appendix is specifically intended to:
- 1. ensure the safety of every member of staff and pupil during this time
- 2. encourage young people to take responsibility for their behaviour during this time
- 3. tackle incidents/instances of poor behaviour effectively and fairly during this time
- 4. allow teachers to feel safe and supported during this time
- 5. foster an environment where all members of the school community respect and adhere to the social distancing guidance during this time
- The information in this policy will be communicated:
- 1. to pupils referenced in the letter sent home to parents and in the first session held on pupils' first day of face-to-face sessions and in the relevant section of the school's website
- 2. to teachers in the training day on 10th July 2020 and in the relevant section of the school's website.
- 3. to parents/carers referenced in the letter sent home and in the relevant section of the school's website

2. What we expect pupils to do during this time

- Pupils must only use the entrance they have been assigned to enter the school building.
- Pupils must sanitise their hands on entering the school building.

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- Pupils must walk directly to the classroom they have been assigned. Pupils are not permitted to move around the building freely or open any closed door.
- Pupils must sanitise their hands on entering the classroom.
- Pupils must walk directly to their assigned desk. Pupils must only sit at their assigned desk.
 Pupils must not touch any desk assigned to another pupil or any equipment on a desk assigned to another pupil.
- Pupils must meet our expected behaviour in class which are set out in the above policy.
- Pupils must not attempt to make physical contact with any person.
- Pupils must not deliberately ignore the 2 metresocial distancing rule.
- Pupils must not **deliberately** and **unnecessarily** perform actions associated with symptoms of Covid-19, for example but not limited to, coughing and/or sneezing.
- Pupils must follow the government guidance when needing to cough or sneeze by covering their mouth and nose with a tissue or coughing or sneezing into their arm.

3. What we expect our staff to do during this time

- We expect all our staff to positively address any behaviour that is unacceptable, and challenge any student who does not meet our behaviour expectations or who doesn't follow a reasonable instruction.
- Staff will address poor behaviour by speaking to the student and giving them an instruction to stop the inappropriate behaviour. If the behaviour continues a referral will be made to the Senior Leadership Team.
- Where the behaviour of a student makes us worried that they are suffering, or are likely to suffer, significant harm, we expect our staff to follow our safeguarding policy.

4. Behaviour outside the school during this time

- Pupils must not congregate in groups with others beyond their household before or after school.
- Pupils must leave the school site when directed and once through the gate make their way directly to their home.

Any pupil that displays behaviours that demonstrate they are not willing to cooperate with us in maintaining a safe environment for students and staff will be deemed to have committed a serious breach of the school's behaviour policy and will result in the pupil being directed to complete home-learning until further notice and not return for face-to-face sessions.

An additional sanction, detailed in the school's behaviour policy may be considered.

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