

Stanbridge Earls School

Campus Dog Policy

Rationale

The following policy has been established in order to provide for the health and safety of Stanbridge Earls School students, staff and visitors; for the protection and efficient use and enjoyment of the School's property and for the responsible management and operation of the School.

The term campus shall be applied to any property owned or managed by Stanbridge Earls School.

- A. Non-resident staff, students and visitors are not permitted to bring dogs onto campus.
- B. Dogs are only permitted on campus where:
 - 1. The dog is a pet of a resident member of staff; where prior permission has been sought from the Headmaster, as per residential contractual guidelines.
 - 2. The dog is necessary to provide equity of access and mobility to staff, students or visitors with a disability.

Owners of dogs on campus are reminded that not everyone likes dogs, some students are scared of dogs and some students are allergic to dogs.

Responsibilities

- A. Senior Management and Heads of Departments are responsible for ensuring compliance with this policy within the school's allocated space.
- B. It is the responsibility of staff members in charge of common or teaching areas at any particular time to ensure compliance within those spaces.

Supervision

- A. A person who is permitted to bring a dog on to campus must ensure that their dog is at all times under control and supervision.
- B. The behaviour of any dog and any mess or damage caused by the dog is the responsibility of the owner.

Where dogs are on campus the following guidelines must be adhered to:

- Dogs must be kept on a lead and under control by their owner at all times.

- Dogs may not be left unattended in public areas, regardless of how they may be secured.
- Regardless of whether the dog is inside or outside the owner is responsible for immediate cleanup and repairs of incidental damage caused by the dog. Cleanup should be thorough enough so as to generate no additional work for School staff.
- Dogs are not allowed on athletic fields or in teaching areas at any time, even if leashed. (the exception of this is the public footpath that runs along the edge of top pitch)

Incidents of dog bites should be reported immediately to the Facilities Office and to a member of SMT as per the school's accident reporting procedures. Incidents will be investigated on an individual basis.

If a student asks to walk a dog and is given permission, the students must be issued with the equipment necessary to clean up after the dog. They should be given bags and gloves. The dog they are walking must be kept on a lead at all times.

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