



Castle Hall Academy-COVID 19 behaviour policy addendum

In order to support our students and staff with transitioning back into the Academy environment, Castle Hall Academy has been required to update the expectations around behaviour and conduct in line with government guidance. It is imperative that students, families and staff support the recommendations and guidance contained within this policy to minimise the risk of illness and maximise social distancing and hygiene procedures. This agreement contains the *minimum statutory requirements* required in order to minimise the transmission of Coronavirus.

Our aim is to support students and staff by providing them with a calm and orderly environment in which they can flourish academically and emotionally. This behaviour policy addendum is formulated in order to allay parental fears, student anxieties and minimise the risk of cross contamination. **It has also been created to ensure our school community remains safer than ever.**

This addendum supports the existing behaviour policy of Castle Hall Academy. It identifies the minimum behavioural norms that are expected during the Coronavirus pandemic. It relies upon cooperation with staff when guidance is issued and an expectation that students will follow the instructions given by staff. It is important to add that like adults, we do not expect everyone to adjust to this perfectly and without error. What we do expect however, is that no student has any ill intent towards a member of staff or a student in deliberately compromising standards of hygiene, social distancing and safety.

General guidance on behaviour

- Wash hands at regular intervals throughout the day.
- Social distance from all students and staff.
- No physical contact with others at all times. This includes: handshaking, back slapping, hugging etc.
- No coughing or spitting towards any other person at any time.
- Tell an adult immediately if feeling unwell.
- Seek support if unsure about expectations or managing themselves around school.
- Respect all staff and students at all times.

Arrival to school/lessons

- Students must ensure they are punctual to school.
- They must arrive at school socially distant and not travel to school with students from other households.
- Students must ensure they social distance when 'lining up'.
- Students must wash their hands, for 20 seconds, on entry to academy and sanitise their hands.
- Only two students are permitted into the toilets at one time to ensure social distancing is maintained.

Movement around school

- Student movement is limited to arrival, departure and toilet breaks.
- The toilet breaks are staggered to ensure there is minimum contact.
- Students with medical conditions which require them to visit the toilet more frequently will of course be accommodated.
- Social distancing must be maintained at all times.

Classroom expectations

- Students should walk into classrooms, if permitted by staff, to avoid groups of students congregating in the corridor.
- Students must sit in their designated and not move from these for the duration of the lesson
- Students must not borrow equipment from other students.

- Replacement equipment can be picked up at the beginning of a day and must be taken home and brought back in to future sessions.
- Students must not move tables or chairs without prior consent from the teacher

Break

- A short comfort break is planned for all students, they will be able to have a snack and a drink in their room and a toilet break.
- Students must wash their hands when they visit the toilet.
- Students must not share food or drink.
- Students must remain seated when in the room and follow all social distancing guidelines when walking to the toilets.

Exit from school

- Students will leave the school in a staggered fashion
- Students must wash their hands or use hand sanitiser upon leaving the building
- Students exit from the school via the door by Miss Rankin's office

Sanctions

- The Castle Hall Academy behaviour policy remains the same.
- If students arrive at the Academy in groups they will be sent home and parents contacted
- If students fail to follow social distancing guidelines they will be reminded.
- If students repeatedly and purposefully fail to follow social distancing guidelines they will be sent home and parents contacted.
- If a student is malicious in their breach of social distancing, i.e. coughing or spitting at staff or students they will be sent home and parents contacted.
- If the breach is serious the student will be fixed term or permanent exclusion

For further information, please refer to the document:

Coronavirus (COVID-19): implementing protective measures in education and childcare settings. Updated 1 June 2020.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-implementing-protective-measures-in-education-and-childcare-settings/coronavirus-covid-19-implementing-protective-measures-in-education-andchildcare-settings>