Policy on Smoke-Free Campus

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Kalasalingam Academy of Research and Education acknowledges the harmful health effects of tobacco use and is dedicated to fostering a healthy, smoke-free environment for all members of the campus community. This policy reflects our commitment to promoting well-being and ensuring the safety of individuals. The Academy strongly believes that a smoke-free campus enhances the overall health, cleanliness, and comfort of everyone on site while nurturing a culture of wellness.

Policy:

- Prohibition of Smoking and Tobacco Use: Smoking and the use of tobacco
 products, including cigarettes, cigars, pipes, smokeless tobacco, and electronic
 cigarettes/vaping devices, are strictly forbidden on the Kalasalingam Academy of
 Research and Education campus, encompassing both indoor and outdoor areas.
 (buildings, courtyards, walkways, parking lots, and sports facilities) The entire
 campus is designated as smoke-free.
- 2. Awareness and Education Initiatives: Kalasalingam Academy of Research and Education is committed to actively promoting awareness and education regarding the dangers of smoking and tobacco use. Educational materials, campaigns, and programs will be implemented to inform the campus community about the advantages of a smoke-free environment and the resources available for tobacco cessation.
- 3. Enforcement and Consequences: All members of the campus community are expected to adhere to this policy. Failure to comply may result in disciplinary action in accordance with the guidelines set forth in the Student Code of Conduct or relevant staff policies. Consequences may include warnings, fines, or other appropriate actions.
- 4. Policy Review and Updates: Kalasalingam Academy of Research and Education will periodically evaluate this Smoke-Free Campus Policy to determine its effectiveness and make necessary updates to address emerging challenges and opportunities.

By adopting a smoke-free policy, Kalasalingam Academy of Research and Education seeks to establish a healthier and more enjoyable environment for everyone on campus, encouraging well-being and cultivating a culture of wellness. It is important to note that this policy serves as a symbolic commitment to maintaining a smoke-free campus and does not impose any legal or financial obligations. Compliance with this policy is expected from all individuals to ensure the well-being of the entire campus community.

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