



BRITISH CONCORDANCE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Air Quality Policy and Procedures

Student and staff safety are our top priority, especially during the smoky season. In order to protect our students and staff we work hard to reduce the time that they are exposed to air that is deemed unhealthy.

Here are the measures that we have implemented:

- Daily monitoring
 - The School Nurse monitors the pollution levels throughout the day by checking the live Air Quality Index reading provided by the monitor on the grounds.
- Purifiers and Equipment
 - All classrooms and shared spaces have Air Purifiers and the AQI readings in the classrooms are monitored regularly.
- Outside Play restrictions
 - The School nurse will inform staff and place the red or green flag by the pool area to indicate if students are allowed to play outside during breaks and lunchtime.
- PE Consideration
 - PE classes are adjusted based on the live readings and if over AQI 150 will be moved to an indoor space.
- Masks
 - All staff who work outdoors are provided with N95 masks
 - Students are encouraged to wear masks, if the AQI is more than 150, when moving between classrooms.




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BCIS Air Quality Standards and Activity Level Guidelines are aligned with the Air Quality Index (AQI) of the Environmental Protection Agency of the USA Government as follows:

AIR QUALITY INDEX (AQI)	HEALTH ADVISORY FOR AQI	ACTIVITY GUIDELINES
0 to 50 (Green)	GOOD - No action	No activity restrictions
51 to 100 (Yellow)	MODERATE - No action unless sensitive to pollution then limit time spent active outside	Classroom need to be alert to signs and symptoms of sensitivity to reduced air quality and adjust activity accordingly
101 to 150 (Orange)	UNHEALTHY FOR SENSITIVE GROUPS Active children, adults & those with asthma or other respiratory disease should limit outdoor exertion.	Activity levels should be reduced for PE, break times, outdoor activities and after school activities. There should be no strenuous aerobic activities. Air purifiers to be turned on in all rooms.
151 to 200 (Red)	UNHEALTHY -Active children, adults & people with respiratory diseases should avoid outdoor exertion. Everyone else should limit prolonged outdoor exertion	PE, breaktimes, outdoor activities and after school activities should be held in rooms with an air purifier and air conditioning. Vigorous aerobic activity is OK indoors. It is OK to sit outside. Advise staff and students that N95 masks should be worn when outside.
201 to 300 (Purple)	VERY UNHEALTHY Active children, adults & people with respiratory disease should avoid any outdoor activity. Everyone else should limit outdoor exertion	PE, breaktimes, outdoor activities and after school activities should be held in a room with an air purifier and air-conditioning - reduced non-aerobic activities. Lunch and breaks should be in a room with an air purifier and air-conditioning. Strongly advise staff and students that N95 masks should be worn when outside.
301 to 500 (Maroon)	HAZARDOUS -Everyone should avoid all physical activity outdoors. People with respiratory disease remain indoors	All students should be in a room with an air purifier and air-conditioning while on campus. Strongly advise staff and students that N95 masks should be worn when outside.

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