## **Air Quality Guidelines**

THE KING DAVID SCHOOL



The King David School is cognisant of the need for appropriate air quality for all staff and students. The following table guides the operation of school activities in relation to various air quality levels. The Vice Principal (Student Wellbeing) will monitor the EPA index and announce any advice required.

Air Quality Index	EPA Advice	School Specific Advice	
Good	It's a good day to be outside	Normal operations	
Moderate	The air quality is okay, but it could change soon. It's okay to be outside but watch for changes in air quality around students.	Normal operations	
Poor	The air is probably dusty or smoky. <u>Sensitive groups</u> may experience symptoms like coughing or shortness of breath. If students are sensitive to air pollution, spend less time outside in the smoke or dust and follow students' treatment plan. Reduce prolonged or heavy physical activity. If students are coughing or short of breath, avoid being outside in the smoke or dust. Close windows and doors to keep smoke and dust out of classrooms.	Normal Operations Staff or students with asthma or other respiratory conditions are to be monitored and removed from activities if required.	
Very poor	<ul> <li>The air is probably very dusty or smoky. Everyone could be experiencing symptoms like coughing or shortness of breath.</li> <li>Avoid being outside in the smoke or dust. Reduce prolonged or heavy physical activity.</li> <li>If students are <u>sensitive to air pollution</u>, follow students' treatment plan. Avoid physical activity outdoors.</li> <li>Close windows and doors to keep smoke and dust out of the classroom</li> <li>If students think the air is uncomfortable, consider going to an air-conditioned section of the building.</li> </ul>	<b>Modified Operations</b> Staff or students with asthma or other respiratory conditions should not engage with physical activity (e.g. Physical Education/Sport, yard duty). All windows and doors should be closed.	
Hazardous	<ul> <li>The air is probably extremely dusty or smoky. Everyone could be experiencing symptoms like coughing or shortness of breath.</li> <li>Stay indoors away from smoke and dust.</li> <li>If students are <u>sensitive to air pollution</u>, follow students' treatment plan. If students can, remain indoors and keep physical activity levels as low as possible.</li> <li>Close windows and doors to keep smoke and dust out of the classrooms.</li> <li>A decision will need to be made by the Senior Leadership Team regarding attendance.</li> </ul>	Potential Cessation of Operations The school may inform parents that the school is closed for the day. All windows and doors should be closed. No outdoor activities can be conducted.	

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