Field Art Academy's Smoking, Vaping, Drug and Alcohol Policy

The use (which includes being under the influence of), distribution or possession of tobacco (i.e. cigarettes and vapor products, containing or free of nicotine), cannabis (i.e. plant, oil or edible form) alcohol, illicit drugs and other controlled or mood altering substances by any players of Field Art Academy during any practices or games, or during transit to and from soccer-related functions, is strictly forbidden. These actions are considered harmful to player health and safety, detract from an individual's potential, compromise the welfare of others in our community, and, in most cases, violate the law. Players that promote the use of vaping products (with or without nicotine), tobacco, cannabis, alcohol and illicit drugs amongst the Field Art Academy community while off games and practices may also be considered in violation of this policy.

Controlled Substances

Controlled substances can be obtained with or without a prescription, and can be used in a manner dangerous to the health of the user. These substances include, but are not limited to, the following: alcoholic beverages, narcotic drugs, hallucinogenic or mind-altering substances, stimulants, depressants, marijuana, inhalants, intoxicants or any other illicit controlled substances as defined in law, or any prescription or non-prescription medication or chemical substance.

This policy also applies to substances that are presented as or intended to appear as a controlled or illegal substance (i.e. look-alike drugs).

Prescription Medication

Players who use prescription medication which fall under the category of controlled substances (including medical marijuana) must communicate this to the Head Coach of Field Art Academy so that accommodations can be discussed. Players may be required to provide proof of prescription from a licensed Canadian medical doctor.

Disciplinary Consequences

Violations of this policy are considered serious breaches of the Code of Conduct and will result in suspension from the team and Field Art Academy.

Expulsion from the team and Field Art Academy is to be expected for the following when at practices or games, travelling to and from practices or games or at soccer-related functions:

- the sale or distribution of drugs or other controlled substances;
- the use or possession of 'hard drugs'.

In addition, at the discretion of the Head Coach of Field Art Academy, the possession or use of drugs during practices or games may result in permanent suspension or expulsion, depending on the nature and scope of the incident.