



SMOKE SEASON POLICY 2023

❖ MONITORING POLLUTION LEVELS:

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment - Pollution Control Department (PDC) regional office in Chiang Mai is responsible for monitoring and disseminating to the public the air pollution information/forecast.

The Air Quality Index (AQI) and the Particle Matter (PM10) information will be gathered daily during peak air pollution season and, when there is elevated air pollution, conveyed to the school-wide community.

All references to AQI numbers in this policy are based on **AirVisual**:

<https://www.iqair.com/us/thailand/chiang-mai/nis-nakornpayap-international-school>

0-25	26-50	51-99	100-149	150 and Above
VERY GOOD	GOOD	MODERATE	UNHEALTHY FOR SENSITIVE GROUPS	UNHEALTHY

1. If the AQI is **below 170**, morning break and lunch will proceed as **normal**.

Students can eat and play outside.

2. If the AQI is **170 and above****, there will be an announcement at approximately 9:15 AM and 11:15 AM (for Elementary) / 9:50 AM and 12:00 PM (for Middle & High School) notifying everyone about it being an **indoor break or indoor lunch**.

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❖ CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR 170+ DAYS: ECC

MORNING DROP-OFF Students will wait in the ECC Classrooms.

BREAKFAST

Break Time	AQI	Activity
8:00 - 8:20 AM	Below 170	Eat snack in canteen & Outdoor Play
	170+ and Above	Eat snack & Indoor Play

MORNING SNACK BREAK

Break Time	AQI	Activity
9:45 - 10:00 AM	Below 170	Eat snack in Canteen & Outdoor Play
	170+ and Above	Eat snack & Indoor Play

LUNCH BREAK

Lunch Time	AQI	Activity
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Below 170	Eat lunch in Canteen & Outdoor Play
	170+ and Above	Eat lunch in classroom & Indoor Play

AFTERNOON SNACK BREAK

Time	AQI	Activity
2:30 - 2:45 PM	Below 170	Eat snack in classroom
	170+ and Above	Eat snack in classroom

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❖ CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR 170+ DAYS: ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MORNING DROP-OFF Students will wait in the canteen prior to Homeroom.

MORNING BREAK

Break Time	AQI	Activity
9:35 - 9:55 AM	Below 170	Eat snack in canteen & Outdoor Play
	170+ and Above	Eat snack in canteen & Classroom Supervision

LUNCH BREAK

Lunch Time	AQI	Activity
11:35 - 12:15	Below 170	Eat lunch in canteen & Outdoor Play
	170+ and Above	Eat lunch in canteen & Indoor Play in the Auditorium <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 11:30-11:50 → Grade 1+2 in Canteen/ Grade 3-4-5 in Auditorium - 11:55-12:15 → Grade 3-4-5 in Canteen/ Grade 1+2 in Auditorium

PICK-UP

Time	AQI	Activity
2:50 - 3:30 PM	Below 170	Outdoor Play
	170+ and Above	No Outdoor Play. Sit and wait near Building B

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❖ CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR 170+ DAYS: MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

MORNING DROP-OFF Students will go directly to Homeroom.

MORNING BREAK

Break Time	AQI	Activity
10:00 - 10:20 AM	Below 170	Eat snack in canteen
	170+ and Above	Eat snack & Students may go to their Period 3 class early for shelter.

LUNCH BREAK

Lunch Time	AQI	Activity
12:15 - 12:55 PM	Below 170	Eat Lunch in canteen & Outdoor Play
	170+ and Above	Eat Lunch & Indoor Supervision*: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Middle School: Auditorium- Grade 9 & 10: Sealed Canteen Space- Grade 11 & 12: Library (Building C)

*Supervision is based on the teacher supervision schedule and will take place between 12:35 and 12:55pm.

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❖ PHYSICAL EDUCATION SPACES

If the AQI is **170 and above**, PE classes will be held in the following locations:

- Auditorium
- Dance Room
- Fitness Room
- Multipurpose Room

Note: PE teachers will collaborate to make the best use of the above spaces with reference to their class sizes and the content of their lessons. ECC PE classes will take place in their dedicated indoor play space. Activities will be modified for AQI levels between 150 and 170.

❖ NIS Athletics AQI Policy:

→ **AQI 100-150:**

Practices: Normal practice with additional water breaks/rest

Games: No change in the game schedule

→ **AQI 150-200:**

Practices: Outdoor practices are moved "inside" (gym/underneath the auditorium) and intensity is significantly decreased (no sprints, full-court games, etc)

Games: All CMAC games/events are canceled/postponed

→ **AQI 200+:**

Practices: All NIS practices are canceled

Games: All CMAC games/events are canceled/postponed

Communication & Updates:

For CMAC games/tournaments, ***a decision to play or cancel/postpone will be made by 1pm.*** Once that decision is made, this information will be communicated as soon as possible via @NISAthletics Instagram, Email, and Classdojo.

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