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Smoking banned within 100 feet of schools during after school events

Smoking is now prohibited within 100 feet of school entrances, exits or outdoor areas of public and private schools when after school programs are occurring, with legislation signed last week by Gov. Andrew Cuomo.

The ban extends the prohibition beyond the school day. Residences or residential property within the 100-foot perimeter would be excluded from the new law's smoking ban. In addition, the new law requires such programs to post signs specifying the times at which smoking is prohibited, according to a news release.

"This commonsense measure will help protect children from the dangerous effects of second-hand smoke and complements ongoing efforts that have resulted in smoking in New York hitting an all-time low. I thank the sponsors for their efforts to make this a stronger and healthier New York," he said in a news release.

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