

This plan is subject to health advice at the time. The **health and safety** of students, staff and their families are the priority.

| Commencing Friday 12 November (Week 6, Term 4) |   |
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| <b>General requirements</b>                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Vaccination</b> - All eligible students and staff are strongly encouraged to get vaccinated. Vaccination requirements apply to all people working in schools that cater for under 12 year olds.</li> <li>• <b>Contact Tracing</b> - All staff and visitors must check in using the Check in CBR app. Timely and accurate student attendance (roll marking) is to be completed for every class in the regular manner.</li> <li>• <b>Physical distancing and hygiene</b> - Staff, students and visitors must not attend school campuses if they are unwell and will be sent home if they have symptoms of COVID-19. All staff, visitors and students will be required to physically distance where possible, and maintain appropriate hand and respiratory hygiene. Density quotients will apply in non-student areas (one person per square metres in non-student areas).</li> <li>• <b>Cohorting</b> - Schools will limit unnecessary physical interaction between students on school grounds and the mixing of student cohorts (those not routinely learning together) in line with public health directions. This may include staggering breaks and dedicated entry and exit points for different year groups based on school-specific requirements. Student cohorts will have identified shared areas and use of shared spaces will be staggered. Limiting interaction between students does not apply to siblings. Where possible, mixing of staff cohorts will be minimised by assigning or staggering the use of common areas, such as staff rooms and facilities. These restrictions will gradually ease over time.</li> <li>• <b>Masks</b> - Staff and visitors at all schools, and students in Years 7-12 must wear a face mask when indoors, unless exempt, when eating or drinking, when communicating with a person who is hard of hearing, when exercising vigorously, when outside alone, or in an emergency. Masks may also be removed when performing tasks where wearing a mask may present a health and safety risk, however must be put back on when the tasks are completed. Students in Years 3 to 6 are encouraged to wear a mask at school if they are comfortable doing so and is at the discretion of the student and their parents/carers. Children in preschool to year 2 should not wear masks as they are likely to be worn incorrectly and may present a choking hazard. Masks may not be suitable for students with disabilities. Schools will make allowances for those students to not wear masks if required.</li> <li>• <b>Cleaning</b> - Cleaning plans for each school must ensure regular cleaning of high touch surfaces (such as handrails and desks), frequently used objects (such as desk-top computers), common areas, toilets and play equipment.</li> <li>• <b>Ventilation</b> - All schools will have been assessed with plans in place to increase fresh air circulation. Ventilation systems will be adjusted to increase the fresh (external) air being supplied to classrooms that are connected to HVAC systems. Classrooms that are not connected to large HVAC systems typically have external ventilation and split system AC units so the fresh air source can be readily controlled. Use of outdoor areas for learning will be maximised.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Support</b>                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Supporting Students</b> - Schools will continue to support learning from home for students who are medically vulnerable to COVID-19. Existing processes will be implemented to support students who cannot learn on campus due to illness or medical vulnerabilities. All students continue to have access to school counsellors. On-campus wellbeing and learning supports will return in line with the phased return to on campus learning.</li> <li>• <b>Supporting Staff</b> - School staff are essential workers. Children of school staff are therefore allowed to attend their regular school for on campus supervision in Term 4 until their year level returns. All staff have access to priority vaccination and wellbeing supports will be prioritised for staff in term 4. Teachers will not be required to deliver remote and on campus learning to the same class at the same time.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Facilities &amp; hire</b>                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community use of school facilities can resume outside of school hours with COVID-safety measures in place and cleaning of high touch surfaces between bookings.</li> <li>• Canteens and uniform stores can resume counter services with a COVID safety business checklist in place, and one person per four square metres.</li> <li>• School Councils can run contactless fundraisers can go ahead on school sites with COVID safety measures in place, with minimum number of volunteers necessary to be on site.</li> <li>• <b>All activities on school sites must comply with density requirements of one person per two square metres in non-student areas, in line with public health social measures.</b></li> </ul>   |
| <b>Visitors</b>                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Visitors are allowed on campus for scheduled extra-curricular activities with COVID safety measures in place.</b></li> <li>• <b>Parents and carers can attend school sites for scheduled appointments and events. COVID safety measures must be in place to manage onsite visitors, including check in, physical distancing requirements and wearing of face masks indoors.</b></li> <li>• NDIS providers/therapists and allied health professionals can attend schools.</li> <li>• Preservice teachers can undertake placements and clinics. AST, HSC and IB supervisors can attend during these exams.</li> <li>• Tradespeople will be restricted from school grounds during school hours where possible. This does not include emergency maintenance and repairs or pre-approved works that are required to continue throughout the day.</li> <li>• Masks are required for all visitors as outlined above.</li> </ul>  |

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| <b>Excursions and school activities</b>        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Essential excursions involving individual classes or year groups are allowed, particularly where these form a core component of the curriculum.</li> <li>• Essential activities that are required as part of curriculum delivery can proceed in line with public health and social measures.</li> <li>• Specialist tutors (e.g. music tutors) are permitted on site with additional risk mitigation measures in place where required.</li> <li>• Indoor and contact sports involving individual classes or cohort groups can resume on school sites</li> <li>• School sporting teams can train together and participate in community sporting competitions.</li> <li>• Students from individual classes or cohort groups can participate in a dance class indoors.</li> <li>• Students from individual classes or cohort groups can participate in a school choir, band, or orchestra. Singing and playing wind instruments can resume indoors, with appropriate physical distancing to be maintained.</li> <li>• Extracurricular activities can resume for individual classes or cohort groups in line with public health directions.</li> <li>• School performances can go ahead outside of school hours in forward facing, fixed and tiered seating venues, with 100 per cent of fixed seating capacity for each space. One person per two square metres to be applied to any unfixed seating areas (excluding staff).</li> </ul> |
| <b>Transitions</b>                             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Onsite transition visits can occur between schools with arrangements in place to minimise mixing between students from different schools during school visits, including staggered visit times.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>End of Year Functions</b>                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• End of year events, including formals, graduations, performances, and assemblies can go ahead in line with the ACT Chief Health Officer's End of Year Events Guidelines.</li> </ul>  |