

Wyndham College

"Working Together to Widen Horizons"

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YEAR 12

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Dear Year 12 Students, Parents & Caregivers

The following arrangements and advice are based on the current directives. NSW Health continues to stress to the community the importance of keeping your children at home wherever possible, and to minimise mobility to stop the spread of the virus. However, schools will remain open for those who need them. The message from the Department of Education advises, that parents must keep children - of all ages, across primary and secondary schooling and early childcare - at home if they can. Students will be supported to learn from home. Schools and early childhood education and care services, including Out of School Hours Care services are open for any child that needs it.

Wyndham College will continue to operate under Level 4 of the Department of Education COVID-19 Framework. At Level 4, students are learning from home, but schools are open for students and their families who need it. For those on school sites, masks are mandatory, in all school settings, for all staff and all students in Year 7 and above.

The College will be operating through online teaching and learning until at least Friday 30 July. Regular face to face classes will not run here at the College, however, all students are expected to continue engaging with **regular timetabled classes online** through their Google Classrooms, student emails, as well as through other online platforms as directed by class teachers.

Minimal supervision will be available for students who are on site if you are not able to remain at home to continue your studies. All mainstream students who attend the College will be supervised the Boardroom in A Block. While here on site at the College, students will be required to remain in this area for all sessions, including study/free sessions.

The COVID Intensive Learning Support Program (COVID ILSP) is still operational and if any student needs additional help, please contact the Program Co-ordinator Anjani Bachu via email - anjani.bachu2@det.nsw.edu.au

If needed, students can reach out to their Year Advisers and Head Teacher Well-being and any student who requires urgent counselling support, our School Counsellor, Anna Jakymin may be contacted via email - Anna.Jakymin@det.nsw.edu.au

For the next two weeks, the College Office hours will be Monday to Thursday 7.30am to 2pm and 7.30am – 12pm on Fridays.

The Canteen remains closed, so students who come to the College need to bring their own food and refreshments each day. The Library and the uniform shop – The School Locker – are closed until further notice.

If you do not have a computer and/or internet access, contact the school front office so arrangements can be made to supply you with technology.

At this stage, we still preparing for the written HSC Trial Examinations to occur in Weeks 4 & 5 of Term 3. Under NESA guidelines, schools are able to vary school-based assessment programs. As such and in the best interests of our students, the College has determined that no written HSC Trial examination will be longer than two hours in length.

Trial HSC Dance and Drama performances will NOT proceed this week and students involved will be contacted by their respective teachers.

NESA has advised, and are reassuring all Year 12 students, that all students who meet requirements will be eligible for a Higher School Certificate this year. In order to meet requirements, we expect all students to engage in the learning provided by their teacher and complete all required work and assessments.

If you have a major work/performance as part of your courses, you are currently NOT able to be onsite to work on these projects

Work Placement and Work Experience for all courses is on hold until further notice. Students booked for these activities should continue with normal timetabled classes online. Students unable to complete a VET Work Placement, due to the impacts of COVID-19 will still be eligible for their Preliminary and HSC credit units.

Following are links regarding 'Cyber Safe Families' -

https://education.nsw.gov.au/parents-and-carers/wellbeing/technology/cyber-safety https://education.nsw.gov.au/parents-and-carers/wellbeing.html?keywords=Technology&q=https://www.digitalcitizenship.nsw.edu.au/parents-articles

As information and situations are changing rapidly, we ask that you regularly check our normal communication channels for updates – email, Facebook, Instagram, Wyndham College website.

I wish to reassure all Year 12 and their families, that the College will ensure no student is disadvantaged and the well-being of our students is paramount. If there is anything the College can do to assist our students or families, please do not hesitate to make contact.

Please take care

Karen Smith Principal