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## <mark>YEAR 11</mark>

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Dear Year 11 Students, Parents & Caregivers,

Wyndham College will continue to operate under Level 4 of the Department of Education COVID19 Framework. The College will continue to operate through online teaching and learning until at least Friday 28 August 2021. 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.

Last Friday, the Premier announced the addition of Blacktown and Cumberland local government areas (LGAs) to the list of LGAs that have additional COVID restrictions. These restrictions are still in play from Monday 2 August 2021.

This means that residents in these LGAs can only leave their homes for a reasonable excuse. Our school is in the Blacktown LGA and this order applies to our school's families.

Given these new restrictions, I want to repeat our earlier advice to strongly encourage all parents and carers to keep their children learning from home. Our school will remain open only for students who need it. We will continue to operate with minimum staff on site.

The NSW Department of Education has some great resources to support students learning from home. There are also some helpful tips and toolkits for parents and carers. Make sure you tune in to the #EducationLIVE sessions at 10am daily or catch up on past videos.

The NSW Department of Education continues to work with NSW Health to support the continuity of education in our schools.

Please visit the NSW Government website for more information on the current stay-at-home orders.

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 - <u>Anna.Jakymin@det.nsw.edu.au</u>

For the week beginning 2 August 2021, the College Office hours will again be Monday to Thursday 7.30am to 12pm and 7.30am - 11am on Fridays.

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.

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' -

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

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 11 students and their families, that the well-being of our students is paramount. The College will ensure no student's education will be disadvantaged. If there is anything the College can do to assist our students and their families, please do not hesitate to make contact.

Please take care.

Karen Smith Principal