



# WYNDHAM COLLEGE

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## COVID-19 - Advice for Families

Dear Parents & Carers

The health and safety of students and staff remains a priority at Wyndham College. To keep our families up to date with current COVID-19 advice for schools, I would like to provide you with the following information –

- Schools continue to be safe, and operations are in line with Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC) and NSW Health advice. Wyndham College is continuing with its COVID-19 safe practices of social distancing, sanitising and cleaning.
- All students should be learning on campus unless they are unwell or have a medical certificate to support their absence.
- In accordance with advice from NSW Health, parents and carers are reminded **NOT** to send students to school if they are unwell - even if they only have the mildest of flu-like symptoms.
- Students with any flu-like symptoms will need to be tested for COVID-19, through their local medical practitioner or one of the COVID-19 clinics. They must provide a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result plus be symptom-free before being permitted to return to school.
- Students, who do not undertake a COVID-19 test, will not be permitted to return to school for a 10-day period. Additionally, they must be symptom-free for at least 3 days prior to returning to school.
- Students who have seasonal allergic rhinitis or another condition that presents similarly to flu-like symptoms, are still required to get tested for COVID-19 and return a negative test result. Where their symptoms continue beyond 10 days, students should provide documentation from their GP confirming their symptoms are typical for their condition. If the student develops new or changed symptoms, they should get tested for COVID-19.

Regarding the use of face masks in a school setting –

- Staff and students are not required to wear a face mask while at school. Anyone who wishes to wear their own mask whilst at school, will not be prevented from doing so.
- When travelling to and from school, or between schools using Wyndham College's or the Nirimba Collegiate's mini-bus, staff and students must comply with the Public Health (COVID-19 Mandatory Face Coverings) Order 2021. This Order also applies during school excursions using public transport, chartered/private transport services, or the College/Collegiate mini-bus. Students are expected to supply their own face masks.
- Wearing a face mask is not mandatory for parents and carers visiting schools provided they maintain physical distancing and hygiene practices while at school.

Further updates will be provided should there be changes to COVID-19 advice.

Kind regards

Karen Smith  
Principal