

Level 3

Guidelines and Restrictions

Monday 8th November 2021



Roadmap

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Term 1, 2022

All schools will operate on updated Level 3 settings – supported by layered safety measures.

Additional activities permitted in a COVID safe manner. Currently under review and will be updated as soon as possible.



Keeping Us All Safe

- A child or staff member must no attend school or participate in any school activities if unwell, even with mild symptoms.
- Students and Staff are encouraged maintain
 1.5m physical distancing wherever practicable.
- Everyone is required to maintain good hygiene practices – i.e. washing hands regularly, sanitising
- The College will continue with enhanced cleaning, including high touch points.



COVID Safe Cohorting for Students

The benefits of student cohorting are to:

- Minimise the opportunities for COVID-19 transmission or the potential for widespread infection across the school and wider community.
- Enable the most effective contact tracing and containment measures in the event of a COVID-19 case.

The principles of student cohorting are to:

- Minimise unnecessary physical interaction between students on school grounds.
- Ensure that students learn and play only with those in their cohort, wherever possible.
- Enable learning to be delivered face-to-face to facilitate learning opportunities for ongoing collaboration for staff.





COVID Safe Cohorting for Students

Specific features of cohorting

- Restrict activities to established student groupings
- Where practical, maintain physical distancing and limit interactions between groups to reduce contact between student cohorts
- Staggered drop-offs and pick-ups are recommended where practical.
- Each cohort will be allocated a learning space, completing all lessons and break times with their cohort.
- Students should maintain strict personal hygiene and physical distancing where possible
- Transportation to and from an event or activity must maintain defined cohorts.





Maintain Cohorting

- All activities must minimise mixing and mingling between cohorts.
- Transport to or from an event or activity must maintain defined cohorts.

Travel and Public Transport

Masks are mandatory to be worn on buses for Secondary students. Primary students are encouraged to wear a mask.



Vaccinations Required

- All staff on school sites must be fully vaccinated.
- All adult visitors (i.e. parents/guardians, volunteers, providers, contractors etc.) who are permitted to come onto schools sites must be full vaccinated.

Wear Masks Indoors

- Masks are required indoors for all staff, visitors, and Secondary students.
- Masks are strongly recommended indoors for Primary students.
- Masks can be removed when eating or exercising.



Check-In

- All staff and visitors must check in when attending the College.
- The College must maintain attendance records of all gatherings.

Maximise Ventilation

- Activities and events should be held outdoors where practicable.
- Indoor spaces should be well ventilated and as large as possible for the number of attendees.



Student Attendance

- All students are expected to be at school unless they are unwell.
- Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms must be sent home and not return unless:
 - They have isolated for 10 days, when no medical certificate is available
 - They have a negative COVID-19 test result and are symptom free.
- Self-isolation periods and testing requirements differ for close contacts based on their exposure and vaccination status.
 NSW Health will advise the requirements.
- If a parent/guardian believes their child has a valid reason to not be attending school, they will need to provide a medical certificate.



Assemblies and Presentations

- Assemblies and presentations will be allowed outdoors on College grounds. Cohorts should be separated with physical distancing in place.
- Care must be taken to avoid mixing and mingling of cohorts when entering and exiting the assembly or presentation.
- Fully vaccinated visitors (including parents/guardians) are only allowed to attend if completing a specific role (such as presenting) and at the invitation of the school. All visitors must check in and show proof of vaccination.





Break Times

- Physical distancing should be encouraged, where possible.
- Cohorts will be allocated specific locations for break times.

Graduations and Formals

- Graduations and Formals will be allowed within cohorts, either in school sites or at external venues.
- Schools may hold a Year 6 or Year 12 Graduation from 1 December 2021.
- Schools have been provided detailed guidelines for graduations and formals.



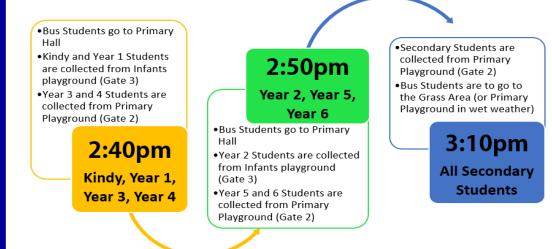


Drop Offs and Pick Ups

Drop-Offs

- Parents/Guardians will be required to drop off their child/ren at the gate.
- ⁹ Staff will welcome students and no parent/guardian is to enter (unless it is an essential matter).

<u>Pick Ups</u>





Transitions and Orientations

- Transitions and orientations will be allowed as long as they are designed to minimise mingling between transition or orientation cohorts and school cohorts.
- A COVID Safe Plan must be put in place.
- All visitors must check in
- Only one fully vaccinated parent or guardian is allowed to attend with their child.
- Proof must be presented upon entry to the school site.
- Masks must be worn in indoor settings.
- Orientation start times should be staggered to limit the number of people on site and to reduce any queueing required.



Responding to COVID Positive Cases

The College will implement Catholic School NSW's COVID response process in the event a positive case occurs on College grounds.



