



2022 COVID-19 Update # 8

Dear Parents/Guardians

Thank you for continuing to be diligent regarding your child's health and wellbeing during this past week as Covid case numbers have continued to grow in WA. Our Covid hotline has been working very well and we have been able to continue to maximise learning opportunities for our students.

As part of our continued planning to continue to provide the best educational services for families we have made the following difficult decisions:

Year 10 work experience (Week 1, Term 2) has been cancelled
Parent/Teacher interviews (4 & 5 May, Term 2) have been postponed.

Close contact procedures

If we are notified that a Kennedy student has tested positive, we will investigate and identify any close contacts at the College. Once a student is identified as a close contact they need to be collected from school and complete a Covid test. They should then quarantine for seven days. During those seven days, if they are asymptomatic, they may

- continue attending school;
- attend school-based sporting or cultural training, practice, or events organised through Kennedy and held immediately before or after school at Kennedy;
- travel between the student's usual place of residence and their school; and
- they do not participate in off-site activities whilst they are at school for these seven days.

At all other times, asymptomatic close contacts should be in quarantine. As with other close contacts, children who are identified as close contacts should be tested on Day 1 and Day 6 (if a PCR test) or 7 (if a RAT).

These arrangements **do not** apply to children who are 'household close contacts' or who are experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms. If a member of your household is COVID-19 positive, then the whole household are deemed household close contacts and the testing and isolation protocols apply. If your child is unwell, they should stay at home and get tested.

Please continue to encourage your children to be responsible to protect themselves and others.

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