



St Joseph's
College
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COVID Update #6 – Term 1, 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

As you are aware, the Premier has recently announced significant changes to Queensland's current face mask requirements and other COVID-19 measures in a variety of settings from 4 March. The most significant of these changes which impact upon our College are:

- Face masks will not be required from 6pm on Friday 4 March.
- Restrictions on large gatherings, assemblies and excursions no longer apply.
- All visitors (including contractors) are able to return to schools.

Whilst it is great news that these restrictions are being removed, we would still like to remind all families about a few key priorities to continue to provide the most safe environment for our staff and students as possible:

- **Students are not to attend the College, if they display COVID-19 symptoms.** Each morning it would be helpful for students to conduct a self-check in relation to their health. If students have any acute symptoms, they should not attend school for the health of the whole St Joseph's College community. The symptoms that would be included in the self-check would include:
 - Fever, sore throat, runny nose, cough, shortness of breath, headache, fatigue, vomiting or nausea, diarrhoea loss of smell or loss of taste.
- **Get tested if they display COVID-19 symptoms.** If they test positive (or are a close contact as defined by Queensland Health) they will be asked to remain away from school until they are well or until the expiry of the designated isolation period.
- **Notify the school if they test positive to COVID-19** or if they are identified as a close contact within 2 days of attending St Joseph's College for more than a 4-hour period. Please complete this [form](#).
- Practice active hand hygiene and maintain safe social distancing.

Reporting COVID-19 cases to the community

As it is likely that the school will continue to be impacted by cases of COVID-19 in the future, we will continue to update the community about further developments on a daily basis by including information about the presence of cases within the school community via our SJC website. SJC > 'Current Parents' > 'COVID Updates' page - <https://www.sjc.qld.edu.au/current-parents/covid-updates/>.

We thank you once again for your ongoing support.
Regards

Kort Goodman
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best future, *together.*



