



CARINE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

A reminder to all students regarding changed COVID restrictions. Masks are no longer required during the school day however students may opt to wear them if they want to. They are required by all students at all times on public transport and on school buses. If a student is a close contact, they must be masked at school, return a negative RAT each day prior to coming to school and notify student services if they become symptomatic throughout the school day. Parents please continue to report COVID positive and close contact cases to the school by SMSing the absentee line on 0437 284 421.

Close contact

A close contact is defined as:

- a household member or intimate partner of a person with COVID-19 who has had contact with them during their infectious period
- someone who has had close personal interaction with a person with COVID-19 during their infectious period, where they spent greater than 4 hours of cumulative contact with them in a residential setting in any 24-hour period, (i.e. a home, accommodation facility) where masks have been removed by both people during the period of contact
- someone who is directed by WA Health that they are a close contact.

Asymptomatic close contacts are not required to isolate but do have to follow testing and mask wearing requirements. Refer to the [WA Government](#) information on close contacts.

Students who have had COVID in the last 12 weeks cannot become close contacts and therefore, do not need to wear a mask but may still choose to do so. However, when travelling on a school bus or using public transport, they do need to be masked.

Kind regards,

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