

COVID-19 Safe Plan 2023

COVID-19 safe measures will be in place in our schools in line with Tasmanian Public Health Service advice to keep our students and staff as safe as possible. These measures build on what schools are already doing.

Facemasks

- Students, staff and visitors are not required to wear masks, but they will be supported if they choose to wear one.

Hygiene

- Do not come to school if feeling unwell – this applies to all staff, students and visitors;
- Staff, students and visitors are encouraged to follow all COVID-safe behaviours
- Hand sanitizer is available at all schools

Rapid Antigen Test:

Students and staff will continue to have access to Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs). Parents and carers are advised to use a RAT on their child if they have COVID-19 symptoms and contact the school for a replacement.

Vaccination

Tasmanian Public Health Service advises that vaccination is the best way to reduce the severity of COVID-19 symptoms and the likelihood of contracting the virus.

Ventilation

- Where possible, teachers will ensure all doors and windows remain open, and air-conditioning is to be left on to provide maximum air circulation.
- Schools will continue to identify further opportunities for outdoor learning spaces and enhance existing outdoor learning areas.

Vulnerable students

CST will continue to support students and young people with disability and those who are medically vulnerable on an individual basis, working closely with parents and carers. Parents can contact the school to discuss their child's learning plan.

School Activities

All schools activities can occur as long as the risks associated with COVID-19 are managed. This includes excursions (day and night), school camps, fairs and carnivals, productions, assemblies and prize nights.

Proportionate adjustments were made to the Plan during 2022 and will continue to be adjusted in response to changes in community transmissions and emerging issues. As changes to the Plan occurs, these are communicated to stakeholders, including students, parents, carers and staff. Communication with students and families will come from their school.

Refer to the [Tasmanian Government Department of Health](#) for more COVID-19 information.