

Emmanuel Christian Community School

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COVID UPDATE FOR START OF 2022 SCHOOL YEAR.

Dear Parents, Guardians and Families,

As the year ends and the school closes for Christmas and summer holidays, I write to keep you up to date about COVID for start of school in 2022.

As you are aware, the State Government has mandated that all school staff are required to be double dose vaccinated before the start of Term 1, 2022.

Please note that students are **not required to be vaccinated.**

However, if your child is on work placement from the Secondary school, they will need to comply with the industry/business requirements of that workplace.

Parents/carers are not required to be vaccinated when:

- dropping off or picking up their child from school
- volunteering at school on an ad hoc basis
- attending an event such as an assembly or parent teacher interview or
- entering the school after hours.

'Ad hoc basis' means attendance at no more than one education facility no more than once per week.

Parents/carers **are required** to provide vaccination evidence (single dose vaccinated from 1 January 2022 and double dose vaccinated from 31 January 2022) or exemption when:

- volunteering at the school more than once a week (this includes volunteering at the school canteen, uniform store or an in-class literacy or numeracy program);
- working in an unpaid capacity at the school more than once a week; or
- participating in an endorsed program at the school where parent attendance is required (such as KindiLink or playgroup).

The Health Department has provided clear directions regarding the requirement of keeping students, staff, and the community safe and we are committed to ensuring that our school remains a safe space.

When and if new directions are issued, we will keep you informed.

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Carol Davis