



# CATHOLIC REGIONAL COLLEGE CAROLINE SPRINGS

23 June 2022

Dear Parents and Guardians

As you would be aware, following advice from the Acting Chief Health Officer, the Victorian Government recently announced changes to the pandemic orders.

There will no longer be a mandated vaccination requirement for staff working in mainstream schools. This change will come in from 11.59pm Friday 24 June, so in effect from the start of Term 3 2022.

With almost 100% of school staff now vaccinated across Victoria, this will cause little change to our school.

As part of the changes, from 11.59pm Friday 24 June 2022, parents and guardians who have COVID-19 can transport their non-COVID-19 children via private vehicle to their primary or secondary school when an alternative person is not available to assist. This will include school holiday programs held on school grounds.

This means that parents and guardians can leave COVID self-isolation to take their non-COVID-19 child to school or school holiday programs via a private vehicle.

The parent or guardian must travel directly to and from the school only. They must remain in the vehicle at all times, unless it is reasonably necessary to leave the vehicle to walk the child to and from the entrance of the school safely. They must wear a face mask at all times.

Family members are asked to continue reporting positive COVID-19 cases to both the Department of Health and our College office on 9217 8000.

You must also let the school know if your child is a close contact. Students who are close contacts and want to attend should still take five rapid antigen tests (RATs) over seven days and wear a face mask whilst indoors if they are aged eight years or over. Students should continue to stay home if they are unwell, even if they test negative on a RAT.

Thank you for your support as we make these adjustments.

Sincerely,

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