

1 August 2021

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Families,

Regarding the NSW Public Health Order and the Queensland Stay at Home Order, we have received the following current information regarding student attendance. Please understand this advice is subject to change and further advice will be issued if the situation changes.

**Students who are New South Wales residents who themselves, or a member of their household, have visited Queensland since 21 July 2021**

Students who are NSW residents and who have visited South East Queensland since 21 July 2021 can continue to attend NSW schools as education is deemed as a reasonable excuse to leave your home.

It is important to understand that when you are not leaving your home for a reasonable excuse as per the Public Health Order, you are subject to the same Stay at Home for all Queensland residents. Details of the NSW Public Health Order can be found [here](#).

From 6pm Saturday 31 July 2021, anyone who resides in NSW and who has been in any of the 11 affected LGAs in Queensland since Wednesday 21 July 2021 must stay at home and only leave their residence with a reasonable excuse. Everyone who is living in the same residence as a person who has been in one of the 11 LGAs is also required to follow the stay at home rules and to only leave home with a reasonable excuse.

**Students who are Queensland residents**

Students who are Queensland residents can attend a NSW school if their parent/carer is undertaking essential work or volunteering or the student needs to attend because of vulnerable circumstances. It is recommended that families seek advice through [QLD Health](#) to confirm necessary arrangements. Students that cannot attend NSW schools for education due to the Queensland Stay at Home Order will be supported to learn from home. Details of the Queensland Stay at Home Order can be found [here](#).

Queensland residents coming to NSW, including children, will still need to complete the NSW declaration for entry form from Queensland every 72 hours. They will also need to complete a declaration form for NSW to re-enter Queensland from NSW. Families and students will need to make sure they have all border declarations in place.

**Students who are NSW residents and have not visited Queensland since 21 July 2021**, you are able to attend school as per usual.


**All students**

If your child is unwell or has any cold and flu like symptoms, please get a test and stay at home until a negative test result is received.

I ask you to keep in your thoughts and prayers those who may be unwell at this time and all involved in responding to the COVID-19 situation. Thank you for your understanding and continued support as we navigate this evolving situation.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child/ren's school.

Yours sincerely,



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