

# Guidelines for school camp providers

Based on the advice of the Chief Health Officer, camps can recommence in Term 2 with some additional requirements.

These guidelines have been prepared to support camp providers with their planning for school camps.

Schools will implement a range of practices to reduce the risk of their students and staff attending camps while COVID-19 positive. They will also develop procedures to enact in the event of a student or staff member developing COVID-19 like symptoms or testing positive while at camp.

## Pre-planning

1. Provide the school with a copy of your COVID-19 Safety Plan and any other relevant documentation, to confirm:
  - density and capacity limits
  - ventilation systems have been checked and operate properly, and provide adequate ventilation in shared facilities
  - cohorting and physical distancing requirements for planning, such as mealtimes, bathrooms and camp activities
  - cleaning of shared equipment occurs before and after use and cleaning of high contact surfaces occurs multiple times per day in line with [Infection prevention and control advice on cleaning and disinfection in the workplace](#).
  - good hygiene practices are in place for catering staff, including serving of meals.
2. Provide the school with room layouts for sleeping arrangements and mealtimes, with the ability to cohort during communal mealtimes where possible.
3. Provide the school with information regarding options to maintain physical distancing when on site such as in ablution blocks.
4. Signage promoting COVID-19 safe protocols is displayed around camp site such as masks wearing, physical distancing and hygiene.

## Testing, isolation and quarantine requirements

1. Camp providers to be familiar with the Department of Education's *Respond to a COVID- 19 case/outbreak at camp* (schools to provide).
2. Ensure there is a suitable location for individuals to isolate at the camp site that meets expected criteria. This includes single rooms, ability to accommodate multiple positive cases and close contacts including overnight if necessary, and considerations of cohorting if multiple schools are booked onsite.

## Public health and social measures

1. Site staff observe current public health and social measures.
2. Maximise ventilation in bedrooms by opening windows and doors (where it is safe to do so) and using air conditioning.
3. Site staff to maintain physical distancing, where practicable.
4. Camp providers have a process to record visitors to the camp site.

Should requirements change between the planning and delivery of the school camp, camp providers and schools should work together to ensure any increased requirements will be met, if relevant. All changes to requirements must be clearly understood by all parties in advance of the camp taking place.