



# NORTH ALBANY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear NASHS Families,

Education across the state is continuing to remain open to serve their communities albeit in a very different environment. NASHS is moving towards an online/remote learning environment both at the school site and in our family's homes. Students who attend the school will be "socially distanced" as much as possible, and be working online to complete the same work that is being expected of students in isolation at home.

Thank you to those families who have chosen to retain their children at home to isolate. For those not in a position to be able to do so, please be assured that the staff at NASHS are committed to trying to keep students, and themselves, safe and healthy. The Health Department guidelines for social distancing and hand washing have been specifically taught to the students and staff are encouraging these practises as much as possible.

The recent announcement banning interstate travel has resulted in the cancellation of this year's Canberra Trip. We are reconciling the deposits that the school has paid for the travel and accommodation and will soon be in a position to refund families. Please email your bank account details to [Kelly.DentonEaton@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Kelly.DentonEaton@education.wa.edu.au) if this affects your family. Parents can choose to have any money paid transferred to school fees or future events by emailing this request to the same address.

Thankyou to those in our community who have expressed their gratitude and support for the teachers and essential school staff. I believe you can be very proud of the staff of your high school. Throughout this crisis they have demonstrated resilience and respect towards each other and the NASHS families and remained committed to the education of our students.

Please stay safe and healthy,

Yours Sincerely,

**Peter Hurlle**  
Principal

## How to minimise the spread of COVID-19

- Frequently washing your hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and water, or using an alcohol based hand gel
- Refraining from touching mouth and nose
- If coughing or sneezing, covering your nose and mouth with a paper tissue or flexed elbow
- Dispose of the tissue immediately after use and perform hand hygiene
- Avoiding close contact with anyone if you, or they, have a cold or flu-like symptoms (maintain a distance of at least 1 metre).

## Who cannot attend school – advice as at 16 March 2020

The Prime Minister has introduced measures placed on international arrivals into Australia. This means a mandatory 14 day self-isolation requirement will be placed on all international arrivals into Australia.

Students or staff who have been tested for COVID-19 should follow the advice of the WA Department of Health and stay away from school whilst awaiting results.

Students or staff also need to self-quarantine if they have been informed by public health authorities that they have been in close contact with a confirmed case of coronavirus. They must isolate themselves for 14 days after the date of last contact with the confirmed case.

## COVID-19 symptoms

People with COVID-19 may experience:

- fever;
- flu-like symptoms such as coughing, sore throat and fatigue; or
- shortness of breath.

For the latest health information and health related enquiries please visit [WA Department of Health](#) or access the helpline 1800 020 080.

## COVID-19 testing

The WA Chief Health Officer, Dr Andrew Robertson, has advised people should not go to be tested for COVID-19 to either COVID Clinics or GPs unless they are currently experiencing symptoms and meet the testing criteria.

To be eligible for testing people must:

- be currently experiencing symptoms such as fever, cough or sore throat AND have
- returned from overseas travel in the last 14 days
- OR be currently experiencing symptoms, and be a contact of a confirmed case
- OR be currently experiencing symptoms and believe they have been in close contact with a person infected with COVID-19.