

# **FACE COVERINGS - COVID-19 POLICY**

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Victoria's Chief Health Officer has advised that everyone in Victoria will now be required to wear a face covering when leaving home. Any face covering will be acceptable – it does not need to be a surgical mask.

#### At Irymple Secondary College:

- All students must wear a face covering during the school day, including on the way to and from school. This includes students under 12 in year 7 who are attending on-site learning.
- All on-site school staff will be wearing a face covering during the school day, except when
  they are teaching on-site classes. However, teachers may still decide to wear one while
  teaching.
- Students or staff who have a medical condition including problems with their breathing, a
  serious skin condition on the face, a disability or a mental health condition are not required
  to wear a face covering. Please contact Jo McQuinn, Principal on 0429 041 819 if you wish to
  seek an exemption from wearing a face covering under this condition
- Parents/carers will be required to wear face coverings for school drop off and pick up.

## **FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES**

- DET Coronavirus (COVID-19) website:
  - o https://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/Pages/coronavirus-advice-schools.aspx
- DHHS Coronavirus (COVID-19) website:
  - o https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus
- DET Infectious Diseases Policy:
  - o <a href="https://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/health/pages/infectiousdis">https://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/health/pages/infectiousdis</a> eases.aspx
- DET Health Care Needs Policy
  - o <a href="https://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/health/pages/healthcarene">https://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/health/pages/healthcarene</a>
    <a href="eds.aspx">eds.aspx</a>
- Talking to your child about COVID-19:
  - o <a href="https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/department/covid-19/talking-to-your-child-during-coronavirus.docx">https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/department/covid-19/talking-to-your-child-during-coronavirus.docx</a>
- Department of Education and Training COVID-19 Advice Line 1800 338 663
- Department of Health and Human Services Coronavirus hotline 1800 675 398 (24 hours, 7 days a week)

## **REVIEW**

This policy was last updated on 31/07/2020 and will be reviewed weekly until the end of Term 3