



Wednesday 18 August 2021

Dear Interstate Families of Geelong Grammar School (GGS),

COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) – Update #39 as at 4.30pm on Wednesday 18 August

Exemption to Travel to Victoria for Quarantine – GGS Exemption Application Form

We thank those interstate families who have already indicated their interest in participating in a coordinated exemption programme between the School and the Victorian Department of Health (DoH). As indicated in yesterday's [Update #38](#), families are now invited to complete the [GGS Exemption to Travel to Victoria for Quarantine Form](#) as the next step in the timetable for these applications.

Please continue to refer to the [September Holiday Exemption Guide](#) on the Hive as you progress the steps as outlined.

The DoH will require the completion of a full fourteen (14) day quarantine period. This period cannot be reduced for those parents or families who are vaccinated; this may be a consideration at a future time but not for the forthcoming quarantine period.

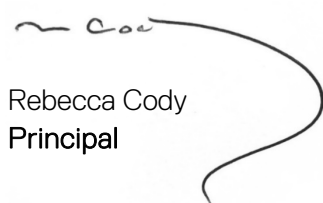
We have been contacted by some families who have expressed an interest in seeking an exemption to enter Victoria for quarantine either towards the end of the School holidays or for the commencement of Term 4. The present exemption process is intended to support families to achieve the exemptions required to be in Victoria with your children for the commencement of the holidays. At this time our focus is to manage these initial exemptions.

Should it be required, a further exemption process may be coordinated through the School for travel to quarantine across the latter part of the School holiday period. That said, families should note the School's reluctance to recommend this approach for our Senior School students given the scheduling of VCE trial examinations and the limited amount of class time remaining in the year.

We await timely receipt of responses to the GGS Exemption to Travel to Victoria for Quarantine Form; this information needs to be expediently provided to the DoH. We also request that families continue to refer to the Guide and follow the steps outlined therein. Any queries may be directed to c19questions@ggs.vic.edu.au.

As mentioned yesterday, we are hopeful that our efforts will result in a positive outcome for GGS families: please be mindful though that as with most COVID related matters, much is outside our locus of control; as ever, we will do our very best to support you and your child.

Yours sincerely,


Rebecca Cody
Principal