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COVID-19 Update #2 - Assessment and Reporting from the Principal for Parents and Caregivers

Dear Parents & Caregivers

I am writing to further update you on the changing situation in response to coronavirus - COVID-19. Please be advised that Victoria Point State High School has had zero reported cases to date.

Assessment

The school's Assessment Policy addresses expectations and conditions for the completion of all forms of assessment for all students at Victoria Point State High School.

(<https://vpshs.eq.edu.au/SupportAndResources/FormsAndDocuments/Documents/Policies/vpshs-assessment-policy.pdf>)

The Queensland Curriculum, Assessment Authority (QCAA) policy states that only assessment evidence submitted by a student on or before the due date is to be used when making judgements on student achievement. Therefore, the completion of all assessment tasks on or before the due date is expected of all students.

Assignments:

If a student does not attend the lesson on the day that assessment is due, responsibility for submission sits with the student and parent/carer via:

- Hardcopy – Printed and handed into the School Administration;
- Email – email address to be advised by the Teacher (<https://vpshs.eq.edu.au/our-school/our-staff/>);
- Electronic Submission – VPSHS Moodle: Turnitin

Exams/Practical Tasks/Oral Presentations etc.:

- (i) For known absences, requests to complete the assessment on an alternative date, must be made in writing using the AARA Student Application Form (Assessment Policy) and approved by the Curriculum HOD;
- (ii) For unexpected absences, contact must be made with the school to advise of the absence;
AND
- (iii) The assessment will be completed at a time designated by the teacher;
AND
- (iv) For Illness and Misadventure - A copy of a Medical Certificate (illness) / Bereavement Advice (misadventure) must be provided by the student at the time of the assessment.

Reporting

Victoria Point State High School will publish Term 1, 2020 Interim Student Reports via email on 2 April 2020.

School Excursions, Trips and Camps

The Department of Education has advised that all school trips, camps and excursions are to be postponed or cancelled as a further step to implement the advice on social distancing and reducing the risk of transmission in our schools and communities.

Ongoing Planning

As we have already seen across the world, this situation is likely to continue for some time and is evolving. As such, as a school and as a community, we must all prepare over the short, medium and long term.

I ask that you continue to take all necessary local actions to support your child's, and the school's, health and hygiene and act in a protective and preventative manner to help limit the spread of coronavirus.

I will continue to provide communication as Australia's response to COVID-19 evolves. Thank you for your vigilance in helping us manage this public health issue.

Yours sincerely

Scot Steinhardt
Principal