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COVID UPDATE - Year 12 Vaccinations

Dear Year 12 Students and Parents / Carers

NSW Health, the Western Sydney Local Health District and Department of Education, Catholic Schools NSW and the Association of Independent Schools have partnered to prioritise COVID-19 vaccinations for HSC students who attend school or live in Liverpool, Fairfield, Canterbury/Bankstown, Cumberland, **Parramatta**, Blacktown, Georges River and Campbelltown Local Government Areas.

From 9 – 14 August 2021 a priority vaccination clinic will be established to vaccinate eligible HSC students at Qudos Bank Arena NSW Health Vaccination Centre, 19 Edwin Flack Ave, Sydney Olympic Park. Schools will be allocated designated times for students from their school to attend as a group.

To be eligible for priority vaccination at this clinic, students must be aged 16 years and above AND be enrolled to sit one or more Higher School Certificate subjects in 2021 (or otherwise completing year 12, including year 12 TAFE students) and attend a school or have a home address within Liverpool, Fairfield, Canterbury/Bankstown, Cumberland, Parramatta, Blacktown, Georges River or Campbelltown Local Government Area. Arthur Phillip High School will be allocated a vaccination date and time window for all appointments. The opportunity for all Year 12 students to be vaccinated in one week means there is a very tight schedule, and we will need all students to book in and be transported to the Arena in a timely way.

Today the school has been asked to provide contact mobile details for all our Year 12 students. We only have until 9.00 tomorrow morning to provide this information to the NSW Department of Education. The vaccination registration link will be sent out to eligible students or their families via text message in the next few days. The mobile phone that receives the link will need to be brought to the Qudos Bank Arena, so wherever possible this will need to be the student's phone. Alternative arrangements are being put in place for those without mobile phones or other special needs.

Thank you to those parents and students who have already been contacted and have provided their details. We appreciate this is a very short turnaround but it is important that we create every opportunity for our students to be vaccinated in order to keep our families and the school community safe.

Please contact the school on 88558100 should you have any questions. Yours sincerely Erla McMaster Relieving Principal