



Wilson School
COVID Safety Plan
Updated 19th September 2022



COVID-19 Safety Plan

Health measures

12th September 2022 - The government announced that Aotearoa New Zealand will move to a new long-term approach to managing COVID-19. The key change is the removal of the COVID-19 Protection Framework (traffic lights). This took effect Monday 12th September 11.59pm.

The following measures are in place at Wilson School -

Practice Basic Hygiene

Includes good hand hygiene, cough, and sneeze etiquette, avoid touching your face, and regularly clean and disinfect surfaces. Use hand sanitiser regularly.

If you are sick

Stay home and get tested. If you have cold, flu or COVID-19 symptoms, stay home. Call your doctor or Healthline on **0800 358 5453** for advice about getting tested.

Staff are to observe children on arrival, checking for symptoms. Those presenting as unwell will be asked to go home or arrange for parents or caregivers to come and pick up.

Case management

There is no longer a requirement for household contacts to isolate, instead, household contacts are asked to test for 5 days. Information on how to get Rapid Antigen Test can be found here - <https://covid19.govt.nz/testing-and-tracing/covid-19-testing/how-to-get-a-covid-19-test/>

Positive cases remain legally required to isolate for **7 days**.

[Advice and guidance on isolation can be found by clicking here.](#)

Ventilation

Indoor spaces should be well ventilated, for example by opening windows, doors, and any vents. If mechanical ventilation is used, make sure the ventilation system is regularly maintained.

Vaccination

The best way to reduce the risk of severe illness from COVID-19 is to be up to date with vaccinations. Vaccination is strongly encouraged.
[COVID-19 vaccination | Unite against COVID-19](#)

Face coverings

Masks are no longer required on public transport or in public places. At Wilson School we continue to provide medical-grade masks for use in school. Wearing these is optional.

Testing

We will continue to provide two Rapid Antigen Tests (RAT) per staff member per week for surveillance testing until our supply from the Ministry of Education finishes.

After having COVID-19 and if you have new COVID-19 Symptoms

<https://covid19.govt.nz/isolation-and-care/after-you-have-had-covid-19/#:~:text=If%20you%20get%20COVID%2D19%20symptoms%20again%20and%20it%20has,you%20no%20longer%20have%20symptoms>

28 days or fewer since a previous infection

If you get COVID-19 symptoms again and it has been 28 days or fewer since a previous infection (either from when you tested positive or you first had symptoms) and:

- you are low risk, you do not need to take another test — stay home and recover, until 24 hours after you no longer have symptoms
- you have an underlying health condition or have COVID-19-like symptoms that are getting worse, you should seek advice from a health practitioner or Healthline on [0800 358 5453](tel:08003585453).

29 days or more since a previous infection

If you have COVID-19 symptoms again and it has been 29 days or more since a previous infection, you should take a RAT. If it is positive, you must self-isolate and follow the same advice as for your first infection.

[Get a COVID-19 test](#)

[If you have COVID-19](#)

Closing schools onsite is unlikely. However, it may be considered where there is a high volume of cases in school preventing safe levels of staffing.