

COVID-19 COMPLIANCE -

ACT SCHOOLS - 2022

Term 2 settings for 2022 have been developed by ACT Education and informed by advice from the Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC).

Health Advice and ACT Education guidelines are regularly updated on https://www.covid19.act.gov.au and https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/covid-school-arrangements

Below are guidelines that AFL NSW/ACT will follow to manage a return to school programming under the ACT Education Term 1 plan for ACT Public Schools

OVERVIEW FOR AFL NSW/ACT SCHOOL PROGRAMMING

The following are key requirements for AFL NSW/ACT to undertake any activities within ACT Schools.

Vaccination Requirement	 Under the ACT Education guidelines all visitors on school sites who work directly with children must have been fully vaccinated in accordance with the most current public health direction. AFL NSW/ACT will assess and approve the vaccination status and evidence of all staff facilitating school programs ahead of their arrival at the program. AFL staff facilitating the program must check in at the school upon arrival using the QR code and show evidence of their vaccination status.
Additional safety measures	 Masks will be worn by AFL NSW/ACT staff when entering indoor areas at a school site when social distancing cannot happen. Disability in schools for specific purposes (SSPs), support units and some mainstream classrooms will be required to wear masks while working with students. 1.5 metres physical distancing will be maintained where practical. AFL NSW/ACT staff will stay home if unwell even with mild symptoms. All equipment used will be sanitised before use.
School Cohorts	 Cohorting is not a requirement, but AFL NSW/ACT will work with the schools directly to ensure programming occurs in cohorts if requested by the school.
Activities permitted	 Extracurricular activities and incursions can occur on school sites for individual students, classes, or cohort groups with COVID Safety Plans in place. Indoor and contact sports involving individual classes & mixed cohort groups are permitted. School sporting teams can train together and participate in community sporting competitions.
Positive COVID-19 case	 Should an AFL NSW/ACT staff member be found COVID-19 positive or deemed a close contact they must immediately advise their people leader. AFL NSW/ACT will then work closely with the staff member and ACT Health and follow all directions given.
Close Contact Requirements	 Any visitor to a school site who is a close contact is required to advise the school that they are a close contact before they come on site. The following form must be completed as per ACT Government requirements - https://www.covid19.act.gov.au/ AFL staff who are deemed a close contact of COVID-19 must notify your relevant deployment team contact immediately. Your Deployment contact will work with you to assess the suitability of your return to work, including taking RAT test/s, Mask requirements, School requirements.