**UPDATE – UCSSC Lake Ginninderra**

**COVID-19 END OF QUARANTINE TESTING**

Dear Staff, Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your ongoing patience and cooperation during this challenging period.

As outlined by ACT Health in the last communication, it is important for all close contacts and all members of their households to remain in quarantine for the full 14 days since they were last at a close contact exposure location - even if you have received an initial negative COVID-19 test result.

All close contacts need to be tested before they, and their household (secondary contacts), can be released from quarantine.

Testing wait times across the Territory have significantly reduced in the last few days. On Saturday 21 August 2021, many testing facilities had less than one hour wait.

Given this, ACT Health will not be opening a dedicated facility for UCSSC Lake Ginninderra families and instead encourage you to get tested at any of the centres listed below.

**Sunday 22 August 2021**

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| **Testing Facility** | **Address** | **Opening Hours:** |
| Brindabella Business Park drive through testing centre | Molonglo Drive (entry off Brindabella Circuit), Pialligo | 08:00hrs-16:00hrs |
| EPIC drive through testing centre | EPIC, Flemington Road and Northbourne Avenue, Mitchell | 08:00hrs-late |
| Kambah drive through testing centre | Jenke Circuit, Kambah | 08:00hrs-16:00hrs |
| Gold Creek School – senior campus gymnasium | Entry via Nicholls District Playing Fields car park | 08:00hrs – 16:00hrs |
| Weston Creek  Walk in Centre | 24 Parkinson St, Weston | 07:30hrs-22:00hrs |
| Capital Pathology Holt | Units 1 and 2  10 Holt Place,  Holt | 08:00hrs – 16:00hrs |
| Your GP Crace  \*By Appt only\*  Phone (02) 6109 0000 | Your GP@Crace 1/5 Barrata St, Crace | 08:00hrs – 16:00hrs |

For the latest on waiting times at testing facilities, please review ACT Health social media updates.

ACT Health wishes to remind those who did not attend UCSSC Lake Ginninderra gymnasium and canteen/cafeteria area between 10am and 1.30pm **DO NOT** require testing *unless* symptomatic. **Only close contacts need to be tested.**

Day zero of quarantine was Monday 9 August 2021. If the close contact receives a negative result from their end of quarantine testing, then they may leave quarantine **Monday 23 August 2021 at 11:59pm.**

If the test is positive, quarantine will continue until a negative test result is received.

If you have been at another exposure location after Monday 9 August, you may need to stay in quarantine longer.

**Further information**

More information, advice, and resources are available on the [ACT COVID-19 website](https://www.covid19.act.gov.au).

You can also access [frequently asked questions for schools](https://www.covid19.act.gov.au/stay-safe-and-healthy/faqs-for-schools).

If you have any further questions that have not been addressed after reading the ACT Health information, please contact the ACT Education Directorate Parents and Carers Hotline on (02) 6205 5429.

ACT Health will continue to work closely with the Education Directorate to ensure the health and safety of all students and staff is maintained.

Yours sincerely

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