**COVID-19 CASE at UC SSC LAKE GINNINDERRA**

Today we were notified by ACT Health that UC SSC Lake Ginninderra has been identified as a COVID-19 exposure location. A person with confirmed COVID-19 was on the school grounds while unknowingly infectious.

ACT Health have determined that the individual was present on the campus at the following dates and times:

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| **UC SSC LAKE GINNINDERRA** | | | | |
| **Location** | **Date** | **Time In** | **Time Out** | **Classification** |
| UC SSC Lake Ginninderra gymnasium and canteen/cafeteria area | Monday  9 August 2021 | 10.00am | 1.30pm | Close contact exposure location |

Any staff, students or visitors who attended the gymnasium or canteen/cafeteria area at UC SSC Lake Ginninderra at the times listed above, is required to follow the ACT Health directions for a close contact. This includes being required to quarantine immediately and get tested over the coming days. You should also complete the [ACT contact declaration form](https://actredcap.act.gov.au/redcap/surveys/?s=NYTXNPJF8X). This form will be available online from tomorrow (Wednesday, 18 August 2021) from midday. Please complete a separate form for each person that attended the location.

If you have attended the UC SCC Lake Ginninderra campus at this time but **not** the gymnasium or the canteen/cafeteria area, we ask you to monitor for symptoms for fourteen days since you were at the exposure site. If you develop symptoms, please get a test.

[**Close contacts**](https://www.covid19.act.gov.au/stay-safe-and-healthy/quarantine-and-isolation/quarantine/quarantine-for-close-contacts) are required to get tested in coming days and quarantine for a total of 14 days since they were last at an exposure location. You will need another test at day 12 or 13 of your quarantine period. The last day that you were at an exposure location is counted as day zero (0). For example, if you were at the gymnasium or canteen/cafeteria area on Monday 9 August, you are in quarantine until Monday 23 August.

Household members of close contacts will also be required to quarantine as secondary contacts. Secondary contacts do not require testing, unless they have symptoms.

Information, advice, and resources about what it means to be in quarantine are available on the [ACT COVID-19 website](https://www.covid19.act.gov.au/stay-safe-and-healthy/quarantine-and-isolation). For details on testing locations, please visit the ACT COVID-19 website.

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

ACT Health will continue to work closely with the Education Directorate to provide regular updates and support.

The coming days are likely to be challenging for us as a school community and I thank you in advance for your family’s cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

Melissa Planten

Principal, UC SSC Lake Ginninderra

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