

# Managing Infectious Illnesses in the Boarding House

The following diagram aims to outline the relevant processes for boarding students who display symptoms of infection illnesses at PLC, this includes colds, flu, gastro or COVID.

## Course of action if student is experiencing any of the following viral or respiratory symptoms as listed by WA Health:

Fever, dry cough, shortness of breath, fatigue, loss of taste and/or smell, diarrhoea, headache, sore/scratchy throat, muscle aches, runny nose, chills/night sweats & vomiting

Mild symptoms  
(ie sore throat, runny nose, mild sinusitis)

### Precautions until symptoms ease:

- Wear mask in common areas
- Hand sanitise
- Use physical distancing measures

BH may administer RAT the next morning unless close contact

Students may use their own tests at other times

*Students may rest in HC and will be assessed over the day in liaison with parents*

Moderate/severe or infectious symptoms  
(ie fever (38C+), persistent cough, fatigue or dizziness, vomiting or dehydration)

Arrange with parent/guardian to leave Boarding House.

Health Centre to consider viral swab

*Accommodated in short-term stay area until student can be collected – recommended within 4 hours in consultation with parents*

Positive RAT

Arrange with parent/guardian to leave Boarding House

*Accommodated in short-term stay area until student can be collected – recommended within 4 hours in consultation with parents*

If symptoms persist or worsen, arrange with parent/guardian to leave Boarding House

*Accommodated in short-term stay area until student can be collected – recommended 4 hours in consultation with families*

## RETURNING TO SCHOOL & BOARDING

Cold, flu or other upper respiratory illnesses

Student must be symptom free or cleared by a GP to return to the Boarding House and School.

Positive RAT Result:

Student must isolate for 5 days and be symptom free before returning to the Boarding House. May attend school if symptom free and following school guidelines.