



What you need to know about our return to school in Term 4

We're excited about our return to face-to-face learning and welcoming students and staff back onsite where we know the best learning happens. This is a short summary of what our parents and students can expect.

- Students are required to wear masks indoors and outdoors. Please send your daughter to school with a mask and a spare in their bag.
- If unwell, please get tested and stay home. A negative test result must be provided upon return to school
- All students are required to social distance and maintain hygiene
- All students are required to remain within their own cohort and not mingle with other cohorts where possible
- Please consider driving your daughter to school rather than the use of public transport as we are unable to maintain social distancing and ensure safety on crowded buses
- All staff at Beverly Hills Girls High School are fully vaccinated
- The school will provide appropriate ventilation where possible to meet the Covid safety guidelines
- Uniforms will be available to purchase through the online ordering system
- The canteen will be available from the 25th October.



Key dates for our staged return

While we know there is excitement about the return to school it's important that we stick to the staged return to give us time to be ready to welcome back students onsite. Students will return to face-to-face learning in the following order

- from 18 October – Year 12 will have access to their teachers if required
- from 25 October – all remaining year groups.



Our school's COVID-safe operations

Our COVID-safe return to school plan is NSW Health approved and includes numerous effective practices to support the health and wellbeing of our students and staff. These practices include vaccinations, mask wearing, reduced mingling of student groups and staff, ventilation in classrooms and continued good hygiene and cleaning.



Keeping student groups together

As we return to school students will be kept in their cohorts to minimise opportunities for transmission of COVID-19 and to enable effective contact tracing and containment. This means minimising interaction between students on school grounds and keeping cohorts together where possible.

- When students return to school they will receive a new timetable which has adjustments to accommodate changes to rooming and break bell times so as to minimize cohort interaction.
- Year groups will be directed to use designated areas of the playground for use before school, at recess and lunchtime.
- Student use of the library will be limited to recess and lunch and will be on a rotational basis. The library will not be available for student use before or after school until further notice.
- The school canteen will be operational however online ordering will be required and students will be given a pick-up point according to their year group.
- Students will be required to remain outdoors during break times and outdoor learning spaces will be fully utilised by all year groups.



Mask wearing for students and staff

Masks are required to be worn on school site by staff indoors and outdoors and required for students indoors and outdoors unless eating or exercising

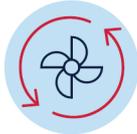
Students are required to ensure they wear a mask to school daily and ensure they pack a spare.



Vaccinations

All staff required on site supporting the return to school will need to be fully vaccinated from 18 October. Then from 8 November all staff, contractors, volunteers and students on student placement on a school site will need to be fully vaccinated, including Outside of School Hours Care staff.

We are encouraging our school community to take up a vaccine as soon as possible, vaccines are available for eligible students from 12 years of age.



Ventilation

Having open or well-ventilated spaces reduces the risk of transmission of COVID-19 because infectious particles are more quickly diffused in the open air. The department will continue to work with NSW Health to provide us with advice and guidance on maintaining good ventilation in our school and we will make use of our outdoor spaces wherever practical.



School activities

During Term 4 many school-based activities will remain on hold until NSW Health advise otherwise. This includes large celebrations like assemblies, presentation days and graduations, arts and sports events.

All end of year celebrations will occur within a virtual environment. These dates will be made available on our calendar and website.



Covid Communication

Parents and students will be notified if a decision is made to close the school due to a confirmed case of COVID-19. During this time we will continue to provide learning from home activities and we will let you know when we can return to face-to-face learning.

Our usual channels to communicate with parents and students will include SMS messaging and the Sentral parent portal. Please also remember to download the School Safety App and to join our Facebook page.



Orientation and transition to school

Onsite orientations and transition programs are not currently allowed in person on school sites until we are advised differently by NSW Health. We'll share more information in the coming weeks about our school's virtual orientation and transition program.

Year 7 2022 orientation will take place virtually during Term 4, 2021. We will continue to communicate relevant information on our website and social media platforms.



HSC student revision and support

Teachers of HSC subjects can be available for revision and support during their usual timetabled HSC classes. Schools will make arrangements to monitor these students while they are on the school site.

Students must stay within their study bubble groups and not mingle with other groups. Study bubbles are limited to a maximum of 5 students – the same 5 students are to stay together in their group while at school and can be in the school for up to 3 hours a day.

Students will follow their allocated timetable structure and they will need to swipe in at the beginning of their school day and swipe out at the end of their school day. Swiping in and out will allow us to monitor and keep our students safe such as Covid tracing or in the event of an evacuations.

Students will have access to the library. Students accessing the library as a resource must maintain a 1.5m distance where possible, wear masks at all times and practise good hygiene.

The canteen will not be in operation until 25 October. Year 12 are encouraged to bring their own lunch. Students will not be permitted to leave the school for lunch.



HSC exams

We are putting in place and preparing COVID-safe arrangements for exams to minimise mixing between students. These plans include appropriate spacing for students and that exams are conducted in well-ventilated rooms and spaces, mask wearing for students and staff onsite. We are also organising alternative venues in the event we need to relocate the exams.

HSC Examination commences 9 November and finishes 3 December 2021. A comprehensive timetable of HSC Exam dates and times, can be accessed through the following link: [HSC written exam timetable | NSW Education Standards](#). HSC results will be released 24 January 2021

More information about the HSC will be available to our students and parents when our students return to school through our website and social media.



Additional information:

Yr12 reports: Released Week 2, Term 4.

Yr12 Graduation: At this stage, a virtual Graduation is scheduled 9 December 2021. More information will be released in Term 4.

Year 12 Formal: At this stage, the formal is scheduled on 22 December 2021. More information will be released in Term 4.

Educational Access Scheme: Applications close 17 December 2021.