

Balliang East Primary School COVID-19 Mandatory Vaccinations Policy



Information Collection and Recording Procedures

Balliang East Primary School follows Department of Education and Training policy in relation to implementing the COVID-19 mandatory vaccination directions issued by the Victorian Chief Health Officer:

- [COVID-19 Vaccinations – Teaching Service and School Council Employees](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccinations – Visitors and Volunteers on School Sites.](#)

Visitors and volunteers working on school sites

Under directions issued by the Chief Health Officer, we are required to collect, record and hold COVID-19 vaccination information from any person performing work on school site to ensure they meet the mandatory vaccination requirements in order to enter or remain on school site.

For school staff (being teaching service staff and school council employed staff) this information is collected by the Department. The Department also collects and manages vaccination information of certain contract providers that are managed centrally by the Department.

For all other visitors working on school site, including volunteers and CRTs engaged locally, we are required to collect, record and hold vaccination information.

The following information outlines the process Balliang East Primary School staff must follow to ensure vaccination information is collected and recorded in accordance with the mandatory vaccination directions, Department policy and Victorian privacy laws.

Procedures for collecting and recording vaccination information

- Wherever possible we will contact volunteers and relevant visitors prior to their attendance on school site, to inform them of the vaccination requirements prior to attendance. At the same time, volunteers and relevant visitors will be reminded that they must not enter the school site if they are unable to provide vaccination information or if their vaccination information does not meet the requirements relating to mandatory vaccinations.
- All volunteers and visitors arriving on site to work will be required to present to our school office where staff will collect and record vaccination information in accordance with the Department policy: [COVID-19 Vaccinations – Visitor and Volunteers on School Site](#). Information will only be collected once, unless further information is required (such as when the person requires their second dose or where the requirements change and we are required to collect further information as a result)
- Our staff must use the [Vaccination Status Register](#) to record the required vaccination information
- The vaccination register and any additional vaccination information provided by a volunteer or visitor working on school site must be stored securely in the 'Vaccination Documentation' folder in U drive of the school's admin server. Hard copies are stored in the school safe.

- If volunteers or visitors working on a school site are unable to provide the required vaccination information or the information provided does not meet the requirements relating to mandatory vaccinations, we will ensure they leave the school site immediately and report the incident to the Department's Incident Support and Operations Centre. For further information about how we will manage these situations, please refer to the Department's policy: [COVID-19 Vaccinations – Visitors and Volunteers on School Sites](#).

Parents and carers visiting school sites

Under the Department's policy [COVID-19 Vaccinations – Visitors and Volunteers on School Sites](#) parents and carers who enter school buildings must have had at least one COVID-19 vaccine and must have had two doses of COVID-19 vaccine by 29 November or have a valid medical exception, with certain exceptions prescribed in the Department's policy.

In accordance with this policy, our school will ask all parent to check-in using the QR Code, and show office staff their vaccination status or a valid medical exception. Vaccination information of parents and cares will not need to be recorded, unless they are attending the school to work on site.

If staff have any questions in relation to these procedures, contact Caryn Fox – Principal.