

Statement on the BCAL response to the COVID-19 situation (as at Monday, 23 March)

Greetings to members of the BCAL Community.

This letter is too inform you of arrangements for classes at BCAL.

- **BCAL remains open for the present, however, circumstances are changing rapidly.**
The centre will remain open till Friday 27 March. Classes will continue to be offered at the Centre this week, observing recommended practices (social distancing, hygiene, self-isolation). Programs will recommence as normal in Term 2, on Tuesday 14 April after Easter. We will keep you informed.
- **BCAL will cease face to face classes if:**
 - it is required to by a change in government policy
 - a staff member, student, or volunteer shows symptoms of the COVID-19 virus
- **BCAL is exploring alternative methods of teaching delivery**
 - Staff will explore alternative ways of delivering courses, including practical classes, involving distance education if the situation changes or a student chooses to continue their course from home.
 - Staff will contact you to make sure you are able to join online learning classes
 - BCAL will provide you with hardcopy packages, containing learning resources for your classes.

For your own health and wellbeing, BCAL staff and management urge you to observe government recommendations about good practice to limit the spread of COVID-19:

- Good hygiene – wash hands thoroughly and regularly for at least 20 seconds
- Social distancing – 4 sq metres per person
- Feeling unwell? Stay home and practice self-isolation
- Coughing or sneezing into elbows or tissues and discarding tissue
- Limit non-essential travel.

We will notify you of any significant changes affecting your enrolment. However, if you have any queries at all, please contact BCAL on 5672-3115 or info@bcal.vic.edu.au

Kind regards

The BCAL Team

