

Dear Parents and Caregivers

This is to let you know that there has been a positive Covid case identified within Geraldine High School and the student had attended Awaken Youth Ministry on Thursday 24th February. The student and their family are currently undergoing 10 days of isolation at home. According to the District Health Board and Local School policies, it is safe for students to come to Awaken Youth Ministry if they are well. There is no need for students to isolate if they are not in household contacts with anyone that has tested positive for Covid 19.

We ask that you please monitor your child for symptoms of Covid-19 and if they are unwell, please keep them at home. It may be necessary to have a Covid test - phone Healthline - 0800 611 166 if you are unsure. Symptoms include:

- A new or worsening cough
- Sneezing and runny nose
- A fever
- Temporary loss of smell or altered sense of taste
- Sore throat
- Shortness of breath

Less common symptoms include diarrhoea, headache, muscle aches, nausea, vomiting, chest pain, abdominal pain, joint pain, or confusion/irritability.

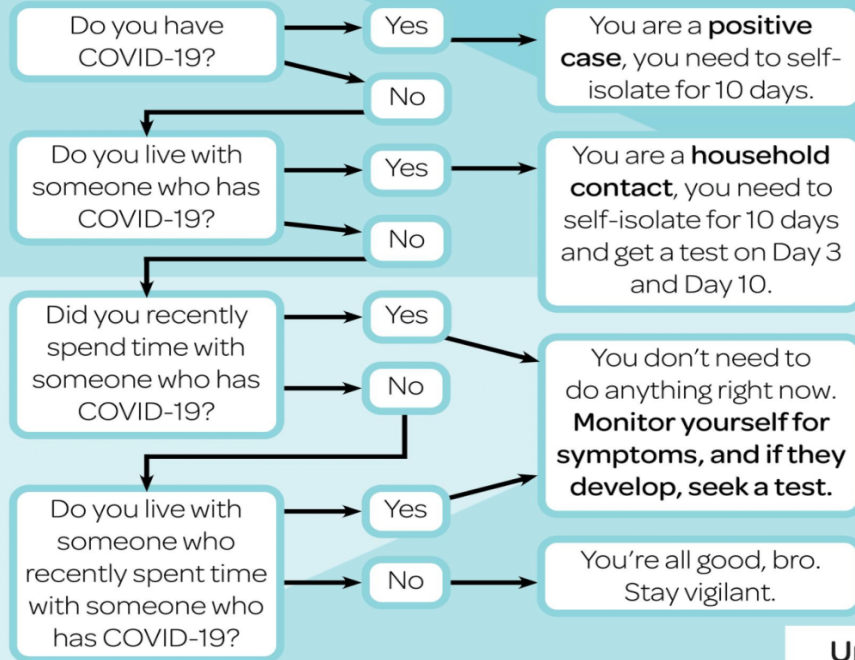
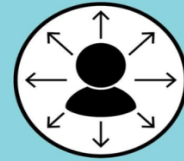
Please let us know if someone in your household tests positive for Covid. All information will be treated confidentially. As this can be a challenging time for families we ask that you be respectful of the privacy of families who are dealing with Covid in their household.

To keep things manageable, we will not notify you every time there are further cases within the youth ministry. Please refer to the sheets below for further information.

For Further information on what to do if you or someone in your household get Covid please visit the Ministry of Health website. <https://www.health.govt.nz>

Kind Regards
Maia Rae

What type of **contact** are you?



Updated guide to self-isolation



You will need to self-isolate from others if you:

are positive for COVID-19

live with a positive case

You must isolate at home or in suitable alternative accommodation. If you test positive for COVID-19, a health professional will help you decide if managed isolation is suitable for you.

Isolate for 10 days from when you test positive

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No further tests required unless directed to

Tests on Day 3 and Day 10

Financial support may be available - check our website to find out what you may be eligible for: [Covid19.govt.nz/financial-support/](https://www.Covid19.govt.nz/financial-support/)

This information is accurate as at 24 February 2022. However, it may be updated if phases of the Omicron response change. For the most up to date information, please visit our website at www.Covid19.govt.nz

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