

Support for Northern Rivers HSC students

Fact sheet

Flood Support Program

<u>NESA's Flood Support Program</u> is being delivered to identified schools in the Northern Rivers, in recognition of the unique set of challenges facing HSC students in their final year of school.

The Program is delivered on a case-by-case basis to ensure schools are most appropriately supported and includes:

- One-on-one meetings with principals from 29 identified schools.
- Supporting schools to document the impact of the floods on practical and performance exams for illness/misadventure (I/M).
- Providing teachers with access to HSC Flood Support Packs.

- Delivering workshops to teachers from Supervisors of Marking to support students continuing with the work that they can.
- Providing access to Virtual HSC Showcases.
- Extending submission dates for practical and performance exams.
- Later in Term 3, the Program will be focussed on the Written Exams.
- Meeting with sector representatives to provide updates of NESA's support program.

Advice for teachers

HSC Flood Support Packs are available in NESA's Learning Management System (<u>register to access</u>). The support packs include:

- Subject specific advice for:
 - o Dance
 - Drama
 - Design and Technology
 - Industrial Technology
 - o Music
 - Textiles and Design
 - Visual Arts
- Support to help students continue with work where it is safe and practical to do so
- Advice to support submission of work that may be incomplete

- Advice about identifying students for the I/M process
- Updated submission dates
- Access to HSC Virtual Showcases
- Access to relevant benchmarks and sample works.

Advice for HSC students, parents and carers

We know this is a challenging time. Please be assured that NESA, your principal and teachers are working closely to ensure you are awarded the marks you have worked hard for.

Where your preparation and exam has been impacted, your school and NESA are working together to apply for illness/misadventure under the Flood Support Program.

Support applying for university

If you are planning to go to university after school, the Universities Admission Centre (UAC) can help.

Applications for UAC's Educational Access Scheme (EAS) are now open. EAS helps students who have experienced long-term disadvantage with entrance into university.

See the EAS application guide for key dates and support.

Health and wellbeing

Your wellbeing is the priority at the moment and is more important than any exam.

Remember, there are many pathways to your post-school goals, and a village of support is around you to get you there.

The <u>Stay Healthy HSC hub</u> has study and wellbeing advice and resources for HSC students, parents and carers.