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Dear Parent/Caregiver,

As the Coronavirus is having an increased impact on our communities we feel it is important to update you about the steps that Manjimup Senior High School is taking in terms of our Vocational Education and Training (VET) programs to help our local employers, our students, our team members and communities to stay safe.

Consequently, we have taken the difficult decision to postpone all Workplace Learning (WPL) until further notice. This means that all Year 11 students that were scheduled to attend work placement next week (Monday 23rd - Friday 27th March) will no longer be attending.

The School Curriculum and Standards Authority provided communications to Principals on the 16 March, 2020 which stated:

'in the eventuality that a student cannot complete a mandatory work placement requirement, the Authority's Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE) Special Considerations process will apply'

For students required to undertake work placement as a part of the requirements of a VET qualification, the Training Accreditation Council has issued a statement regarding its approach to work place restrictions. The Australian Skills Quality Authority has not yet issued a statement, however RTOs, regardless of which regulator they are governed by, will advise schools on a suitable approach to minimise impact on student outcomes.

In the event that a student is not attending their scheduled work placements due to medical, employer or school imposed restrictions, the school attendance policy must be adhered to, which requires students to attend school unless an absence is authorised.

We are also currently ensuring that all the theory components of our Certificate Courses are accessible online. The following Certificate Courses are already being accessed through the following online platform: <https://www.aiet.edu.au/aiet-hub/>

- SIS20115 Certificate II in Sport & Recreation – Football Focus (Mr Rayson)
- SIS20115 Certificate II in Sport & Recreation – Netball Focus (Ms Giblett)
- SIS20115 Certificate II in Sport & Recreation – General Focus (Mr Ioannou)
- SIT20316 Certificate II in Hospitality (Mrs Chapman)
- CUA20715 Certificate II in Visual Arts – Graphic Focus (Mr Hart)
- CUA20715 Certificate II in Visual Arts – Engineering Focus Focus (Mr East)
- MSF20516 Certificate II in Furniture Making Pathways (Mr Simpson)

The remainder of the Certificates delivered at MSHS will be accessed through Connect. Where applicable, learner guides and assessments will be accessible by this Monday 23rd March.

- BSB20115 Certificate II in Business (Mrs Gibbs)
- AUR20716 Certificate II in Automotive Vocational Preparation (Mr Parks)
- AHC20116 Certificate II in Agriculture (Mr Ryan)
- MEM20413 Certificate II in Engineering Pathways (Mr East)

Our thoughts continue to be with those who have been affected globally. The health and safety of our staff and students is paramount and we will continue to monitor the situation and take guidance from the Government and health authorities on how to proceed moving forward.

If you have any further queries regarding any VET Courses, Workplace Learning, School Based Traineeships, please direct your questions directly to me, preferably via email.

Kind Regards,

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