



**Coronavirus
(COVID-19)
Schools
Update**

URGENT UPDATE

DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL UNLESS YOU ARE AN ESSENTIAL WORKER AND YOU HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE OPTION.

Some schools are choosing to open on an emergency basis. This is not free childcare.

Only where a parent is employed in an essential job AND their specific role is critical to the country's COVID-19 response AND there is no alternative childcare option available should children be sent to school.

If there is a second parent, or other suitable non-vulnerable person in the household, and they are not an essential worker they should look after children unless families make alternative arrangements.

If families do not act on this guidance, schools that are open may be overwhelmed and children will not be safe.

Be responsible. Please do not make a bad situation worse.

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