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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The scope and scale of the past few months, particularly in Queensland, is extraordinary. These are trying times for industry, as well as our own community – but we will get through this, together.

We know many of your young people are keen to get out to industry. Following a pulse check with almost 200 current employers, feedback shows that just over half would consider taking on a young person for work experience (WEX) in the near future, with that number growing in Term 3.

The pulse check has provided insight into the impact the current environment has had on various industries; some have managed to hold strong, while others have been exposed in response to the uncertainties of an economic crisis and government restrictions.

This is an evolving situation and our focus at this point is to get our young people through to the end of their current block. As such, we would like to clarify the following arrangements:

CURRENT INDUSTRY BLOCK

Group 1, Year 10 will continue with the *Learning From Home* Industry program until the end of block, Tuesday 19 May.

Group 1, Year 11 will receive a phone call from their Industry Consultant on Monday or Tuesday next week (11-12 May) to discuss WEX on a case by case basis if not completing TAFE Pre employment Training.

Group 1, Year 12 will receive a phone call from their Industry Consultant on Monday or Tuesday next week (11-12 May) to discuss WEX on a case by case basis. Year 12s will be prioritised for WEX placement.

If you do not wish for your young person to be out in industry for WEX just yet, alternative arrangements can be made. Please ensure your young person raises this with their Industry Consultant over the phone early next week.

CURRENT EDUCATION BLOCK

Group 2, Year 10 will continue with the *Learning From Home* Education program until the end of block.

Group 2, Year 11 will move to on-campus learning from Monday 11 May.

Group 2, Year 12 will move to on-campus learning from Wednesday 13 May.

Safety is always our first thought. Minimising the potential for virus transmission will continue to be of utmost importance and we ask for your cooperation regarding [AITC's precautions](#) that are in place.



Our young people will be the workforce needed as part of any recovery effort after coronavirus restrictions end. Many of our current employers see that an investment today's young people, will bear fruit for them in the future.

There is nothing better than watching young people flourish in their chosen industry pathway. The College remains committed to working with your young person, even post-graduation if it gets to that, to achieve an employment outcome.

We will continue to monitor the ever-changing situation and any resulting impact on industry and our community. Our choices today determine your young person's options tomorrow so we ask for your patience and support during these extraordinary times.

Yours sincerely,

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