

Covid Protocols for Epic

1. There will be a mandatory isolation period for all grade 10 boys going on Epic from the end of the Epic Training Week until the buses leave at 5.30am on Tuesday 23 November.
2. Screening will be done before the boys embark on our buses and head off on Epic.
3. The health of the boys will be checked every day at the various bases.
4. Masks must be worn when entering and working at the schools.
5. Masks must be worn when boys are being transported anywhere on Epic.
6. Masks do not have to be worn when doing rigorous exercise, but then social distancing must be adhered to.
7. Spare masks will be available in all base First Aid kits, but boys are expected to provide their own masks.
8. Spare masks will be available in all vehicles transporting boys, for emergencies.
9. Sanitizers will be available at all bases for boys and staff and in all vehicles.
10. Cycling water bottles will be issued to all boys. Sharing of water bottles will not be allowed.
11. Buses may be at 100% capacity when travelling under 200km. Buses travelling further than 200kms will stopped along the way, where boys will disembark, and the bus will be sanitized.
12. Gatherings outside can be up to 500 people, provided that social distancing is adhered to. On the last night (fathers/ father figures and sons will be outside and not exceed 50 per group, although two groups will be at each of the three base camps). Masks wearing is a requirement.
13. If a boy is suspected of having Covid-like symptoms/ presents with Covid-like symptoms, he will be isolated in a safe space and the Epic Director and Wildmedix should be notified immediately. The Wildmedix will collect the boy, do an assessment and, if needed, take him to Dr Jas Strauss in Clanwilliam for a further assessment and appropriate medical management, which could include a Covid test. If appropriate, the boy will then be isolated. If the test is positive, appropriate arrangements will be made for the boy to leave the Epic, which may require his parents to fetch him. All relevant staff will be informed and close contacts will be identified and appropriate medical decisions will be made about them.