



## KAPUNDA *High School*

### **School Bus Bushfire Procedures**

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#### **On days of forecast catastrophic fire danger rating for the Mid-North district:**

Kapunda High School will remain open.

- All school bus routes travelling to Kapunda High School will be cancelled.
- Parents/caregivers of students who travel on school buses will be contacted via an SMS message to their mobile phone or a direct call to their landline (where a mobile has not been given to the school). This will generally occur the night before.
- Kapunda High School will additionally 'broadcast' using Facebook and the website [www.kapundahs.sa.edu.au](http://www.kapundahs.sa.edu.au) to remind families of bushfire procedures.

#### **If a bushfire is reported in the area during the day:**

- Affected bus runs will not leave the school until the roads are declared safe by emergency services authorities.
- Parents/caregivers will be notified and students will be supervised at school until buses can run, or until parents/caregivers are able to collect their children.

#### **If during a bus run, the bus driver sights a bushfire and there is concern that it may affect the routes ahead, then the bus driver:**

- Has the authority to abandon the bus run and return to school, or
- If safer to do so, drive to one of the pre-planned emergency areas (or CFS safer places) and activate the emergency bus procedure.

#### **To support student safety, parents/caregivers are requested to:**

- Ensure that Kapunda High School is informed of any changes to phone numbers
  - Follow weather announcements through the media.
  - Ensure that they do not put themselves at risk when coming to collect students from school.
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