

Coronavirus Hygiene Plan for Dresden International School

(07.09.2022 version)

Categories	Preschool (PK1-K5)	Primary (G1 to G4)	Secondary (G5 to G12)
<p>General</p>	<p>1. This Corona Hygiene Plan serves as a supplement to the standard school hygiene plan. This plan will be made available to authorities as required. The hygiene plan is based upon the requirements of the Saxony state authorities. DIS has an obligation to follow these regulations.</p> <p>2. It is not permitted for any staff, student, or visitor to enter the school who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● has a SARS-CoV-2 infection. ● currently shows symptoms i.e. exhibits at least one of the following symptoms: general feeling of illness, fever of 38 degrees Celsius or higher, diarrhea, vomiting, odor disturbances, taste disturbances, cough that is not occasional. Entry to campus for students is possible after a period of 48 hours symptom-free, <p>3. In case of signs of illness (e.g., fever, dry cough, breathing problems, loss of sense of taste/odor, sore throat, aching limbs, abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea) stay at home. If children or staff show comparable symptoms to COVID-19, e.g., due to allergies or similar, these symptoms should be verified by a parental letter or self-declaration (staff) (SMK 23.04.)</p> <p>4. The obligation to attend school applies to all students. Students not attending school due to they or a family member being at a high risk of COVID infection must present a Doctor's certificate. The School shall determine the provision of learning activities for students at home when on-campus learning will operate.</p> <p>5. In the event of an acute illness at school children who fall ill must be placed in a separate room and be collected by parents at the earliest possible time. If students show at least one symptom of Coronavirus infection, they shall not be allowed access to the facility until two days after the last occurrence of a symptom.</p> <p>6. Students are taught in grade level classes (K1 to Grade 5) on campus and-grade level classes (Grade 6-12).</p>		
	<p>7. The classification of employees as belonging to a so-called risk group and any protective measures taken by the employer must be determined by the company medical service on request in each individual case. Pregnant staff members will not work on campus. The recommendation of the company medical service is subject to compulsory service. The corresponding duties are regulated as usual by the school management.</p> <p>8. Students, parents and staff are expected to understand their obligations towards health and hygiene rules at DIS during the coronavirus pandemic. Failure by any student to respect and follow the rules may result in their suspension from classes held on campus. By sending your child back to campus, you indicate your agreement as a family to follow the requirements in the DIS Corona Hygiene Plan.</p> <p>9. All adults, including school administrators, teachers and parents, are expected to set a good example and at the same time ensure that students take the hygiene instructions seriously and implement them.</p>		

10. The school follows the standards of DIN 77400 (Cleaning services for school buildings - requirements for cleaning). It defines principles for contractual, environmentally conscious and hygienic school cleaning. In schools, the focus is on the cleaning of surfaces. Routine surface disinfection in schools is not recommended by the RKI in the current COVID pandemic. If disinfection is considered necessary in individual cases, it will generally be carried out as wipe disinfection with a cold solution. This will be carried out by cleaning staff (School Campus) or school staff (Preschool). A thorough daily cleaning is sufficient. The RKI recommends that it is not necessary to use disinfectant solution.

11. Sufficient liquid soap dispensers and disposable towels will be provided in all toilet rooms and classrooms with sinks and are refilled regularly. The appropriate collection containers for disposable towels and toilet paper will be provided.

Notification procedure in cases of actual or suspected Coronavirus infection

The most recent guidance on notification in cases of illness or suspected illness are:

1. Staff, teachers and other persons employed or engaged by the school, even temporarily, who show any one symptom of SARS-CoV-2 infection (e.g., shortness of breath, new-onset cough, severe cold, fever, and loss of smell or taste) shall report this immediately to the relevant Principal, and not attend campus duties and arrange a test for SARS-CoV-2 (antigen quick test or PCR test).

2. Persons employed at or working on the premises are obliged to inform the relevant Principal without delay if they are attending school that is proven to be infected with SARS-CoV-2.

3. If a person wishing to enter or is present in a DIS school campus shows symptoms of SARS-CoV-2 infection he/she can be refused access to the facility or requested to leave. Students who show symptoms during lessons, school care or other school events shall be accommodated in the First Aid Room (School Campus) and the Main Office (Preschool Campus). Parents or an authorised person shall arrange to collect the child without delay.

Quarantine rules:

Please find the updated quarantine rules on our website: <https://www.dresden-is.de/en/dis-community/corona-update>

PK1 to K5: In the event of a positive corona case, only the student in question will be isolated at home. Quarantine of other asymptomatic children and teachers in the group is not necessary.

Grade 1 to Grade 6: In the event of a positive corona case, only the student concerned is isolated.

Grade 7 to Grade 12: In the event of a positive corona case, only the student in question will be isolated at home.

	<p>Short-term encounters (<15min, mainly with distance >1.5m and ventilation) indoors with other children, e.g. in sanitary facilities, pose a low risk with regard to transmission. In outdoor areas, mixing also poses a low risk.</p> <p>Information to parents: Parents of a class or daycare (group) in which a student/child has tested positive for Corona will be informed of a suspected Corona case.</p>
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<p>Segregation: dealing with Corona infections at school</p>	<p>Segregation of the person tested positive Further regulation on segregation written in the <u>Allgemeinverfügungen der Landkreise und Kreisfreien Städte</u> No further segregation of symptomless students School informs after-school care (if needed) with the name of the person affected. School will inform staff and parents/guardians of the class/course, without naming the person tested positive Hand out information sheet on segregation in Saxony School provides student with proof of positive testing (as a prerequisite for a professional antigen or PCR test - both test results are proof of)</p>
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<p>Personal Hygiene</p>	<p>The novel coronavirus is transmissible from person to person. The main transmission route is droplet infection. This occurs mainly directly via the mucous membranes of the respiratory tract. In addition, transmission is also possible indirectly via hands, which are then brought into contact with the mucous membranes of the mouth or nose and the conjunctiva of the eyes.</p> <p>The most important measures are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Avoid touching the face as much as possible, especially the mucous membranes, with your hands, i.e., do not touch the mouth, eyes, or nose. - Touching, hugging, or shaking hands with other persons is to be avoided. - Thorough hand hygiene (e.g., it is advised after entering school, before and after eating, before and after going to the toilet, and before putting on and taking off a protective mask). Hand hygiene is achieved by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) washing hands with soap for 20-30 seconds in school washroom areas or classrooms (see also https://www.infektionsschutz.de/haendewaschen/) or, if not possible, b) hand disinfection available in public areas for staff and visitors only. - If possible, do not touch publicly accessible objects such as door handles with your full hand or fingers; use elbows if necessary. - When coughing and sneezing, the mouth and nose must be covered with bent elbows or paper tissues; the used tissues must be disposed of (for example in a small plastic bag brought along to the work areas or in designated waste containers). When coughing or sneezing, keep the greatest possible distance from other people and preferably turn away.
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<p>Masks</p>	<p>Note: The State of Saxony requires wearing a mask (mouth-nose-cover or MNB) in general in certain situations e.g. public transport. The risk of infecting another person by coughing, sneezing or speaking can be reduced in this way.</p> <p>The wearing of masks in school by students, staff and parents is no longer compulsory. The wearing of a mask is still recommended.</p> <p>FFP2 masks and disposable medical masks are available in the divisional School Offices for teachers and office staff who require them at any time. There is a two-hour limit on the use of disposable medical masks but the FFP2 masks can be worn for a maximum time of 75 mins before a break of 30 mins.</p>
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	Preschool (PK1-K5)	Primary (G1 to G4)	Secondary (G5 to G12)
<p>Testing for Covid</p>	<p>Staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A staff member may return to school according to the current quarantine rule: without proof after 5 days and 48 hours without symptoms. <p>Student:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student may return to school according to the current quarantine rule: without proof after 5 days and 48 hours without symptoms. 	<p>Staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A staff member may return to school according to the current quarantine rule: without proof after 5 days and 48 hours without symptoms. It is recommended to perform a test on the last day of quarantine. <p>Student:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student may return to school according to the current quarantine rule: without proof after 5 days and 48 hours without symptoms. • Testing on a voluntary basis at school • Only on justified grounds (suspected case, possible illness) • Tests are provided by the school 	<p>Staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A staff member may return to school according to the current quarantine rule: without proof after 5 days and 48 hours without symptoms. It is recommended to perform a test on the last day of quarantine. <p>Student:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The student may return to school according to the current quarantine rule: without proof after 5 days and 48 hours without symptoms. • Testing on a voluntary basis at school • Only on justified grounds (suspected case, possible illness) • Tests are provided by the school

Families/Visitors/Contractors on campus	A valid certificate as proof of a negative Covid test is not required for entry.	Parents may visit school for meetings and face to face appointments which have been organised and agreed upon in advance. Only K5 parents are allowed regularly on the school campus.	
Arriving/Leaving campus		Students from K5 to Grade 5 enter and exit via the gate near/(exit Building A) the bike parking. At the end of the day, all students must immediately return home, except if they are in after school care or a co-curricular activity.	Secondary students (Grade 6-12) must use Building A to enter and leave campus. At the end of the day, all students must immediately return home, except if they want to work in the library during permitted hours (sign in required) or are attending a co-curricular activity or sports club.

Catering/Gourmetta/Food	The shared snack model prepared by teachers continues. Lunchroom and classroom tables must be cleaned before/after eating. Chairs are wiped down after eating. PK1+2 eat in the classroom PK3+4 each in the cafeteria.	Gourmetta catering service will operate fully in the Cafeteria without restrictions.	Gourmetta catering service will operate fully in the Cafeteria without restrictions.
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Outside spaces		Masks do not need to be worn in outside play areas by students.	Masks do not need to be worn in outside play areas by students.
Breaks			

Libraries	<p>PK2 library lessons occur in the classroom every other week.</p> <p>PK3/4 have lessons in the library in small class groups every other week.</p>	<p>- Doors and windows opened regularly to ventilate the space.</p>	<p>The Secondary library will operate as follows.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grade 11 & 12 may use the library for independent study during free periods, - Doors and windows opened regularly to help place fresh air in space.
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Offices/Staffroom/ staff workrooms	<p>Ventilation requirements apply in all meeting and working situations.</p>		
Room Cleaning/Toilet Cleaning	<p>Diaper changing mats must be disinfected immediately after use.</p> <p>If disinfection is considered necessary in individual cases (in the event of contamination with faeces, blood or vomit), the application of hygiene cleaning powder, prophylactic scrubbing and wiping disinfection with a disposable cloth soaked in disinfectant is required after removal of the contamination. Protective, disposable gloves must be worn.</p>	<p>The school follows the standards of DIN 77400 (Cleaning services for school buildings - Requirements for cleaning). It defines principles for contractual, environmentally conscious and hygienic school cleaning. In schools, the focus is on the cleaning of surfaces. Routine surface disinfection in schools is not recommended by the RKI in the current COVID pandemic.</p> <p>An accurate daily cleaning is sufficient. It is not recommended to do a daily disinfection by the RKI.</p> <p>If disinfection is considered necessary in individual cases, it will generally be carried out as wipe disinfection with a cold solution. This will be carried out by cleaning staff (School Campus). A thorough daily cleaning is sufficient. The RKI recommends that It is not necessary to use disinfectant solution.</p>	
	<p>This will be carried out by Preschool staff. Staff are informed on the use and location of equipment (in the Preschool Office) required for this cleaning activity.</p>	<p>In the event of contamination with faeces, blood or vomit, the application of hygiene cleaning powder, prophylactic scrubbing and wiping disinfection with a disposable cloth soaked in disinfectant is required after removal of the contamination. Working rubber gloves must be worn. Teaching, leadership or cleaning staff will be required to perform these duties as required. Staff will be informed on the use and location of equipment required for this cleaning activity.</p>	

<p>Classrooms</p>	<p>Regular and correct ventilation is particularly important, as this will allow the indoor air to be exchanged. Several times a day, at least during breaks and in the morning, the classrooms should be ventilated for several minutes by means of fully open windows. Tilt ventilation is largely ineffective, as it hardly exchanges any air. Windows that are closed for safety reasons must therefore be opened for ventilation under the supervision of a teacher.</p> <p>The HM airs rooms in the morning; teachers air rooms periodically throughout the day.</p> <p>Tables are disinfected before/after snack and at the end of day.</p> <p>Chairs are wiped down at the end of the day.</p>	<p>*Specialist lessons can take place in the designated specialist rooms and workshops for technology, art and performing arts, music and PE.</p> <p>* Regular and correct ventilation is particularly important, as this will allow the indoor air to be exchanged. Several times a day, at least during each break, the classrooms should be ventilated for 3-5 minutes every 20 minutes by means of fully open windows. Tilt ventilation is largely ineffective, as it hardly exchanges any air. Windows that are closed for safety reasons must therefore be opened for ventilation under the supervision of a teacher.</p>	<p>*Specialist lessons can take place in the designated specialist rooms and workshops for technology, art and performing arts, music and PE.</p> <p>* Regular and correct ventilation is particularly important, as this will allow the indoor air to be exchanged. Classrooms should be ventilated for 3-5 minutes every 20 minutes by means of fully open windows. Tilt ventilation is largely ineffective, as it hardly exchanges any air. Windows that are closed for safety reasons must therefore be opened for ventilation under the supervision of a teacher.</p>
<p>Corridors and lockers</p>		<p>No restrictions on locker use.</p>	<p>No restrictions on locker use.</p>

<p>Equipment</p>	<p>Office equipment (copy machine/printer, paper cutter, laminator) is wiped down with disinfectant morning and afternoon. Staff are encouraged to wash hands after using office equipment.</p> <p>Disinfection wipes are available in the office if needed to clean equipment before/after use.</p>	<p>Shared IT equipment needs to be cleaned before and after use as directed by IT or teaching staff.</p> <p>K5 to G2 students share classroom materials like pens, pencils, etc.</p> <p>G3 to G5 students use their own materials like pens, pencils, etc and minimize sharing of materials.</p> <p>Disinfection wipes are available in some offices and on laptop carts to clean equipment before/after use.</p>	<p>* Sharing of IT equipment should be minimized. If a device e.g. photocopier is used by different people it is recommended that hand washing is used before/after use.</p> <p>*Shared IT equipment needs to be cleaned before and after use as directed by IT or teaching staff.</p> <p>* Students from Grade 6 and above must bring their own computer devices to school.</p> <p>Disinfection wipes are available in some offices if needed to clean equipment before/after use.</p>
<p>Assemblies</p>	<p>Student assemblies will be held according to the arrangements determined by the Principal and regulations shared by the authorities.</p>	<p>Student assemblies will be held according to the arrangements determined by the Principal and regulations shared by the authorities.</p>	<p>Assemblies may be held according to the arrangements determined by the Principal and regulations shared by the authorities.</p>
<p>Specialist Subjects: Music, Drama, PE</p>		<p>Sports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is no obligation to wear a medical MNS • Hand hygiene must be possible before entering the sports hall and after physical education. • Sports equipment must be disinfected after use. • Regular and sufficient ventilation of the sports hall, including the changing rooms and sanitary facilities, is required. *Air the sports hall and sanitary and changing rooms after each sports lesson, at least 5 minutes by means of a ventilation system or free ventilation (supply of outside air) via windows/doors. • Depending on the development of the infection, it may be necessary to adapt teaching procedures in sport, e.g., methodological and content restrictions. <p>• Swimming lessons can be taught.</p>	

Co-Curricular Activities	Preschool (PK1-K5)	Primary (G1 to G5)	Secondary (G6 to G12)
	Co-curricular activities may be held without any restrictions.	Co-curricular activities may be held without any restrictions.	Co-curricular activities may be held without any restrictions.

Schooling (Presence at School for Students)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compulsory school attendance is required as of 07.03.22.
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Field trips	Field trips are permitted using public transport.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Field trips are permitted using public transport. 	Field trips are permitted using public transport.
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