



# COVID-19 In-School Health Plan

Oxford

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As the worldwide situation surrounding COVID-19 is constantly changing, our requirements will be adjusted to reflect the most current guidelines issued to educational establishments by the UK Government and guidance from Public Health England (PHE). We shall communicate directly with both new and returning students and families and update you every step of the way.

We review and adapt our school procedures and policies to ensure the welfare and safety of all students and staff. We understand that the uncertainty of this situation presents challenges for students and families, but we want to reassure you that the welfare and safety of our school community is our priority. A completed certificate of health will be required from home and vaccination status will be required. We shall continue to follow government advice and review our procedures accordingly.

We hope the following FAQs will provide you with assurance you need regarding our health protocol in school.

## FAQ

### **What is the campus arrival process like?**

Students should arrive on campus in line with the published school calendar. Year 1 students will arrive before Year 2 students for 'Welcome Week'. We shall offer online learning options for students whose arrival is delayed due to visa delays and/or any travel related bans implemented due to COVID-19 at that time.

### **What are the requirements for students to be allowed to enter campus?**

Students will be required to complete a Health Certificate. A negative COVID-19 test result prior to leaving home for travel to the UK may be required by the UK Government or Airline so please check prior accordingly. Students may receive further periodic testing in accordance with UK Government guidance. We may stagger students' arrival to campus to ensure our safety measures are implemented appropriately without overwhelming staff or students. Students will receive detailed instructions on our required in-school protocols upon arrival to campus.

### **What will be required of students in terms of personal hygiene in order to ensure the health of the entire school community?**

Students may be required to wear a mask when out of their residence room and in communal areas. There will be ample

amounts of soap, paper towels and/or hand dryers available in public restrooms and frequent handwashing will be highly encouraged. Students should not share or lend out personal equipment to room-mates or classmates, such as books, laptops, phones.

### **How will the school support student health and wellness?**

Trained staff are available 24/7. To minimize the risk of community spread of any illness, we will follow the latest UK government advice and directives for schools and students will receive guidance on good hygiene practice as well as what to do and who to see if they feel unwell. Social distancing measures will be implemented if required across the school and in accordance with UK government guidance and directives.

Enhanced cleaning regimes will continue to be implemented in line with UK government guidance for schools in force at that time.

The school is committed to ensuring that students' wider welfare and wellbeing are fully supported. Promoting positive student mental health is a priority.

**What happens in the event of a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19 on campus?**

We shall follow the latest guidance and directives issued by the UK Government, Public Health England (PHE) and local healthcare authorities.

If there is a student or staff member suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19, they will be moved to an isolation room immediately for the UK government recommended period. 'Close contacts' may also have to isolate. Meals will be delivered to isolating individuals, and daily wellness checks will be performed. Medical assistance will be summoned immediately if required. During isolation, if students are well enough, they will be encouraged to continue their studies online. Students will not be reintroduced into the school population until such time as we are assured that they do not pose any further risk.

**How will campus life change to minimize risk of contamination and community spread?**

Students and staff will receive regular updates with regards to 'staying well' and these will be delivered via assemblies, meetings, and digital messaging boards as well as poster and notice displays around the campus.

**Will there be monitored access to campus by external suppliers?**

Cleaning, catering and grounds staff will be required to follow the same practices that our school staff and students are required to follow.

Entry and exit points, as well as staircases, corridors and elevators will be clearly marked to create safe moving patterns and ensure suitable social distancing if deemed necessary at that time.

**What guidance and measures will be put in place for school staff?**

We will continue to monitor guidance and directives issued by UK government, Public Health England and the Department for Education as well as local healthcare authorities. Training for staff and Risk Assessments will be put into place to safeguard the welfare and safety of our whole school community. If deemed necessary at the time, staff may be required to wear face masks as students do when circulating in communal areas. All UK adults have been offered three vaccination doses, which should further minimize any transmission risk.

**What will be done in case there is a major "further wave" COVID-19 outbreak and/or renewed lockdowns?**

We will continue to monitor recommendations from World Health Organization (WHO), UK.Gov, Public Health England (PHE), Department for Education (DfE) in addition to local authorities. Should any of our existing plans change, parents will be notified directly.

**If you have questions about your son or daughter's enrolment for the 2022-2023 school year, please contact your Admissions Consultant in your home region**