

Covid Outbreak Management Plan

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1. Introduction

In response to the continuing COVID-19 situation in the UK, all education and childcare settings should have an outbreak management plan (also known as a contingency plan) outlining how they would operate if any of the measures described within the Department for Education (DofE) Contingency Framework were recommended in their area for any reason.

The contingency framework describes the principles of managing local outbreaks of COVID-19 in education and childcare settings. It covers all types of measures that settings should be prepared for.

This plan is based on the [contingency framework for managing local outbreaks](#) of COVID-19 and the [schools operational guidance from step 4.](#)

We will only implement some, or all, of the measures in this plan in response to recommendations provided by our local authority (LA), director of public health (DsPH), Public Health England (PHE) health protection team or the national government.

It may be necessary to implement these measures in the following circumstances, for example:

- To help manage a COVID-19 outbreak within the school
- If COVID-19 infection rates in the community are extremely high, and other measures have failed to reduce transmission
- As part of a package of measures responding to a 'variant of concern' (VoC)

2. Testing

If recommended, we will increase the use of home testing by pupils and staff. If it is advised that we reintroduce an asymptomatic testing site (ATS) at our school, we will consult with the director of public health (DsPH) to discuss any further support we need to do this.

Testing will be offered to all students onsite on their return to College in September.

We will stagger the first test over three days: Wednesday 1st September, Thursday 2nd September and Friday 3rd September. Test 2 will take place three to five days apart and within the college day. After test 2, students will be provided with home testing kits. We will inform parents on the day these are sent home together with details of how to inform college of results.

If a student is 11 years of age, they must be accompanied by a parent or guardian for their first lateral flow test.

We shall maintain a small ATS provision within College for those students who are unable to test at home.

3. Face coverings

If recommended, pupils, staff and visitors who are not exempt from wearing a face covering:

- Will be asked to keep on or put on a face covering when arriving at school and moving around indoors in places where social distancing is difficult to maintain, such as in communal areas

And/or:

- Will be asked to wear a face covering in classrooms or during activities, unless social distancing can be maintained or a face covering would impact on the ability to take part in exercise or strenuous activity

4. Shielding

We will adhere to national guidance on the reintroduction of shielding, which would apply to those on the [shielded patient list \(SPL\)](#).

We will speak to individuals required to shield about additional protective measures in school or arrangements for home working or learning.

5. Other measures

If recommended, we will limit:

- Residential educational visits
- Open days
- Transition or taster days
- Parents coming into school
- Live performances
- After school clubs / activities
- External visitors

If recommended, we will reintroduce:

- Bubbles, to reduce mixing between groups
- Face coverings in communal areas and classrooms for staff and visitors (unless exempt)

6. Attendance restrictions

Attendance restrictions will only be recommended as a last resort. If recommended, we will implement the measures in this section.

a. Eligibility to remain in school

In the first instance, we will stay open for:

- Vulnerable pupils
- Children of critical workers
- Year 10 and 11 pupils
- Any other pupils due to take external exams this academic year

If further restrictions are recommended, we will stay open for:

- Vulnerable pupils
- Children of critical workers

b. Education and support for pupils at home

All other pupils will be required to stay at home and will receive remote education.

We will aim to deliver remote education that meets the same quality and quantity of education that pupils would receive in school, as outlined in our Remote Education Plan

<https://www.christscollege.surrey.sch.uk/1200/covid-19-update-home-learning>

The school will continue to provide meals or lunch parcels for pupils eligible for benefits-related free school meals while they are not attending school because of COVID-19 isolation guidelines.

Whilst the College remains open, packed lunches will be provided by the College Catering team, to be collected by parents/guardian from 11am each day.

7. Safeguarding

We will review our child protection policy to make sure it reflects the local restrictions and remains effective.

We will have a DSL on site at all times.