

## **Questions & Answers Covid-19:**

### **February '22**

**1. What to do when you need to be tested?**

Inform the school by using [Covid19@esmol.be](mailto:Covid19@esmol.be). Stay home and quarantine until you have the result of the test. Make a list with all the students, teachers, staff,... you had close contact with (unprotected by the mask for longer than 15 minutes in a non-ventilated room).

**2. What to do when a member of my family (who I live with) needs to be tested?**

Inform the school by using [Covid19@esmol.be](mailto:Covid19@esmol.be).

- Primary school: You can attend school in situ if you have no symptoms. You have to be vigilant for symptoms for the following 14 days and avoid contact with vulnerable people.
- Secondary school: You can attend school in situ if you have no symptoms. You have to be vigilant for symptoms for the following 14 days and avoid contact with vulnerable people.

**3. What do I have to do when I am tested positive?**

Inform the school by using [Covid19@esmol.be](mailto:Covid19@esmol.be). Stay home and quarantine for at least 7 days.

**4. What to do when my family member is tested positive?**

Inform the school by using [Covid19@esmol.be](mailto:Covid19@esmol.be).

- Primary school: You can attend school in situ if you have no symptoms. You have to be vigilant for symptoms for the following 14 days and avoid contact with vulnerable people. When you develop symptoms, stay home and have a PCR test performed.
- Secondary school: You can attend school in situ if you are fully vaccinated and have no symptoms. You have to be vigilant for symptoms for the following 14 days and avoid contact with vulnerable people. Wear a FFP2 mask indoor at all times.
- Secondary school: If you are not vaccinated you have to quarantine for 10 days. Return to school is only possible after 7 days with a daily negative self-test.

**5. When can I return to school after a family member was tested positive?**

Every students that does not test positive with a self-test or does not show any symptoms can continue going to school in situ.

Except students who are not vaccinated (+12). They have to quarantine for 10 days and can only return to school with daily negative self-tests from day 7 until day 10.

**6. What do I have to do when I am high risk contact?**

All contacts in school will be considered as low risk contacts.

**7. When can I return to school after a high risk contact outside the family?**

Every students that does not test positive with a self-test or does not show any symptoms can continue going to school in situ.

**8. When can I return to school after a family member was tested negative?**

After the negative result of the test you can immediately return to school.

**9. Am I obliged to communicate the result of the test?**

Yes, you have to inform the school about the result of the test.

**10. How does the school handle this personal information?**

Only staff members who need to be informed about the situation will be informed. In communication we will not use names, only class groups.

**11. What is a low-risk contact?**

Protected contact with another person, both wearing masks. Even when the distance of 1,5m was not respected. You have to vigilant for symptoms for the following 14 days.

**12. What is a high-risk contact?**

Unprotected contact with another person, not wearing masks. Unprotected with another person in the same room without ventilation and more than 15 minutes. Sharing material during lessons. Sitting close to each other (less than 1,5m or across) during lunch.

**13. When will a class be quarantined?**

In school classes will no longer be quarantined. Who tests positive or shows symptoms stays home. All others can continue classes in situ.

In exceptional cases is might be impossible to keep the class, year group or school open due to "Force majeure".

**14. When will the school organise self-testing in Secondary school?**

In case of 5 infections in one class/group within 1 week, a self-testing will be organised by the school. Parents will be informed and can do the self-test at home if they want to.

**15. What with students who recently recovered from Covid-19?**

Students who tested positive less than 5 months ago are considered as fully vaccinated.

**16. Who is considered fully vaccinated?**

Students between 12 and 18 that have received 2 doses.

Students over 18 who received a booster shot less than 5 months ago.

Everyone who has recently (less than 5 months) recovered from Covid-19.