



# **COVID-19 Policy and Emergency Health Protocols**

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## **General Guidelines for Students, Parents & Staff to keep NIS Safe**

Any member of the NIS community MUST inform the school if they tested positive for COVID. **CONTACT THE SCHOOL AT: info@nis.ac.th**

### **The school will respond to by:**

- a. Communicating with relevant families/people
- b. Results from the COVID test must be sent to the school via **info@nis.ac.th**
- c. The school will require the person to quarantine at home for 5 days

### **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)**

All members of the NIS Community (students, parents, guardians, teachers, and staff) must agree and implement the below guidelines in the MOU:

#### **Memorandum of Understanding**

As a member of the NIS Community, I have read and understood the following guidelines and will adhere to them.

- ✓ Wash hands properly with soap for at least 20 seconds regularly
- ✓ Stay home if feeling sick
- ✓ Provide ATK test results when requested by the school

## Thailand National Guidelines for Schools

The COVID-19 Health Protocols contained within this policy adhere to the latest government guidelines regarding DMHTT:

- **Distancing** – 1-2 meters
- **Mask Wearing** – when feeling sick and when showing flu-like symptoms
- **Hand Washing** – at regular intervals

All school restrictions during this period follow government protocols. Below is a brief overview of the national government guidelines for schools\*:

- o **Safe Environment:** Manage the air circulation in classrooms, cleaning systems, water quality, and waste management.
- o **COVID Contingency Plan:** The school will implement a contingency plan in the case of positive COVID tests.
- o **Transportation:** Monitor students commuting to schools (school vans, private cars, and public transportation).
- o **Healthcare Monitoring:** Monitor students, teachers, and staff who feel unwell and show symptoms of illness.

\* NIS COVID-19 Policy & Health Protocols in this document will explain how NIS will adhere to the above national government guidelines.

## NIS COVID-19 Policy & Health Protocols

### ❖ Symptoms

Should students exhibit any of the following symptoms, parents will be contacted to pick up their child to go home\*:

- A low-grade fever of 37.5 °C/99.50 °F
- Breathing problems
- Vomiting/Diarrhea
- Severe sore throat
- Running nose
- Coughing
- Extreme Fatigue
- Loss of smell and taste

**It is essential that the school has a current Emergency Contact Phone Number for each student.**

**We **strongly** request that your child stays at home until your child has no symptoms for a full period of 24 hours.**

**For more information, please refer to Appendix A.**

## ❖ Classroom Disinfecting & Air Circulation



Our cleaning staff will continue to disinfect all classrooms and student common areas on a regular basis. Teachers will open windows in the classrooms every two hours to manage air circulation. The air purifiers in every classroom will be turned on prior to students' arrival and will run until the end of each instructional day. Air purifiers are cleaned and maintained on a regular basis.

## ❖ Handwashing



The importance of proper handwashing will be presented to students. Handwashing stations are located throughout the campus. Hand sanitizer is also available in all classrooms, student common areas, as well as all entrances to the campus.

## ❖ Masks

- The wearing of masks is optional.
- Students presenting coughing symptoms and other flu-like symptoms will be required to wear masks.



❖ **Canteen Services**

Staggered eating times are implemented to adhere to social distancing measures.

❖ **Birthday & Classroom Celebrations**

Birthday and classroom celebrations in school are permitted with pre-packed food delivered via the Main Office.

❖ **Food Deliveries**

All **food delivery services are banned** from NIS campus. This includes Grab, Lineman, Tuk, Food Panda, etc.

❖ **Campus Access – Parents & Visitors**

NIS is a closed campus. All entrances are monitored and guarded. Visitors and parents will not be allowed to enter the main section of the school during the school day, except during special events. All parents and visitors must check-in at the Main Office and be escorted through campus by a NIS staff or faculty member.

If parents need to contact or schedule an appointment with a teacher, administrator, or staff member, please contact the Main Office at:

**Phone 1:** 053-110-680 ext. 0

**Phone 2:** 090-888-9462 ext. 0

**Email:** [mainoffice@nis.ac.th](mailto:mainoffice@nis.ac.th)

On days when there are sports games hosted at NIS, parents and visitors are allowed to enter campus to watch the games. They must enter only at the designated gates after 4:00 PM.

## **NIS COVID-19 Contingency Plan**

### **❖ Action for Positive Cases & Symptoms**

- A person with a confirmed positive diagnosis of COVID via either ATK or PCR must stay home for **5 days**
  
- A person with symptoms is required to remain home for **24 hours after the following symptoms are clear.**
  - A low-grade fever of 37.5 °C/99.50 °F
  - Breathing problems
  - Vomiting/Diarrhea
  - Severe sore throat
  - Running nose
  - Coughing
  - Extreme Fatigue
  - Loss of smell and taste






### **❖ ATK Testing Requirement**

- Any person with symptoms will be required to report a negative ATK result prior to returning to school.
  
- In the event of more than 5 positive cases in one class, the whole class will be required to stay home for 3 days to monitor symptoms. During this time, the school will perform deep cleaning of the classrooms. After these 3 days, students are required to report negative ATK results prior to returning to school.



## Appendix A

### YOUR CHILD NEEDS TO STAY HOME.....

				
<b>FEVER</b>	<b>VOMITING</b>	<b>DIARRHEA</b>	<b>EYE INFECTION</b>	<b>EXCESSIVE COUGH</b>
<p>Within the past 24 hours</p> <p>Temperature is 37.5 °C + / (99.50 °F +) or Higher</p>	<p>Within the past 24 hours</p> <p>Ex: If your child vomits the night before they need to stay at home.</p> <p>If your child vomits in the morning when they are in the car or in school.</p>	<p>Within the past 24 hours</p> <p>Ex: If your child's bowel movements do not stop, please do not bring them to school.</p>	<p>Redness, excessive itchiness, crusty drainage from eyes.</p> <p>(Check for Pink eye)</p>	<p>Excessive coughing that results in malaise and disrupts the classroom environment along with the student's productivity</p> <p>(Check for possible bronchial infection or upper respiratory disease)</p>

### YOUR CHILD IS READY TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL WHEN HE/SHE IS...

<p>Fever free for 24 hours without taking fever reducing medication.</p> <p>Ex: Tylenol, Paracetamol, Advil, Ibuprofen</p>	<p>Can hold down liquids and solid meals for more than 2 hours.</p>	<p>Free from diarrhea for 24 hours.</p>	<p>Evaluated by a doctor and have a doctor's note to return to school.</p>	<p>Able to not cough nor have the need to cough for 2 hours straight.</p>
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