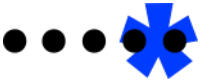




Private School Reopening Policies and Guidelines

ADDENDUM





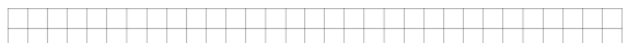
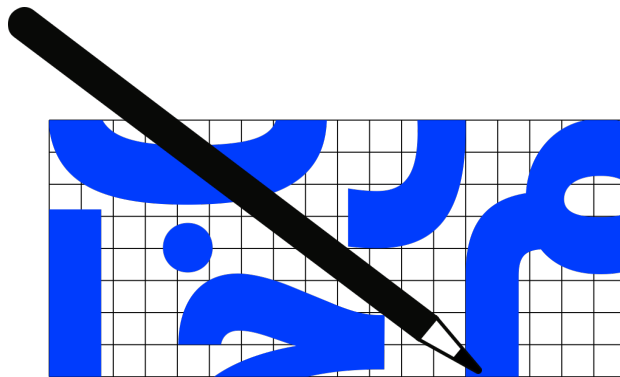
AMENDMENTS TO THE PRIVATE SCHOOL REOPENING POLICIES AND GUIDELINES (PSRPG)

Since the issuance of the PSRPG on July 20, 2020, the Abu Dhabi government has issued changes to policies regarding school reopening.

All amendments to the PSRPG have been outlined in this addendum and are relevant to:

Section 1. Safe Operations

Section 2. Teaching & Learning



2. Maximum Class Size

The maximum number of students per class is 15 with social distancing at 1.5m and mandatory masks for Grade 1 and above. Any larger classroom spaces may only be used by more than one class if total physical separation (physical barrier and no entry of one group into the space of another group) of the groups is possible. Bubbles for KG remain at a maximum of 10. *The maximum of 15 only applies to areas where the students are social distancing and wearing masks.*

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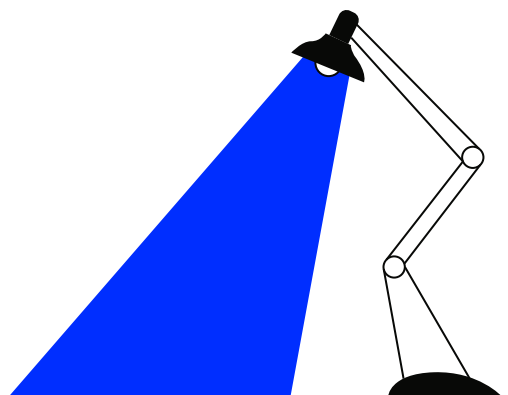
1.5.2. Classrooms (pg. 16 from PSRPG)

- ⦿ ADEK is not stipulating an absolute maximum number of students per class given the social distancing configuration – however, this should be small enough that every student can effectively hear the teacher and participate fully in the class. The maximum capacity for each classroom/teaching space should be clearly indicated on the door.

3. Macro-bubbles

The school should be divided into 3-4 macro-bubbles (i.e. all staff and students across grades). There should be absolutely no mixing of spaces outside of these macro-bubbles (ie. an art teacher may teach both grade 1 and grade 3 classes and therefore would be assigned to a larger macro-bubble encompassing other grade 1 and grade 3 teachers and students). If there was an incident, this would allow for the isolation of only that macro-bubble for testing and further action.

This policy is an addition to [Section 2.4 Student Grouping \(pg. 39 from PSRPG\)](#)



6. Parent Choice for Children to Physically Attend School

The learning mode for the upcoming term (distance learning or physical attendance to school) is now optional for parents. ADEK recommends 2 weeks of flexibility before asking them to commit to a learning mode for the term. If parents choose to send their child to school physically, they will need to sign a physical return declaration that they will not do so if their child displays any COVID-19 symptoms.

Requires underlined amendments:

2.1.1. Student Attendance (pg. 34 from PSRPG)

- ⦿ Exemptions may be granted to students whose parents choose to keep them at home for any reason (medical, living with vulnerable persons, unease until situation improves in the UAE, etc.)

1.3.7. Guidelines for Daily Health Screening Prior to Leaving Home (pg. 12 from PSRPG)

- ⦿ Schools shall communicate that parents are strongly advised to check their children's temperatures and screen for symptoms before leaving the house. Children who exhibit symptoms or who are feeling generally unwell are required to stay home as per the physical return declaration signed by parents.
- ⦿ Staff are strongly advised to check their own temperature and screen for symptoms before leaving the house. Staff who exhibit symptoms or who are feeling generally unwell are required to stay home.

