



Dealing with infection cases at schools (as of: 1st February 2022)

Dear Sir or Madam, dear parents and legal guardians,

Comprehensive protective measures are in place at schools in Bavaria through masks, regular testing and the hygiene requirements of the framework hygiene plan.

Due to the high level of protection, the procedure for cases of infection at schools has been further simplified. We would like to briefly inform you about this.

What happens to pupils who have tested positive?

- As before, pupils who have tested positive for Covid-19 are not allowed to attend classroom teaching.
- If an infection is detected at school, the pupil must go home immediately and/or be picked up by the parent or legal guardian. The school will inform the public health office. A positive self-test must be confirmed by a PCR test (e.g. at the test centre); the public health office provides information about the further procedure.
- The isolation of the pupils who tested positive usually lasts 10 days. It can be terminated **after seven days** with a negative test (rapid antigen test carried out by a health professional or a comparable person trained for this purpose, or PCR test) if the child has no symptoms typical of Covid-19. The isolation ends with the transmission of the negative test result to the public health office.

What applies to the remaining pupils?

- **The remaining pupils in the class who have tested negative will continue to attend classes.** The tests in the class are extended again for five days.
- If there is a serious accumulation of infections in a class and classroom teaching can no longer be maintained, the school management and, if necessary, the public health office will take additional measures.



- The school management orders **distance learning for the whole class for a total of five weekdays**.
- The public health office can also classify all pupils of the affected class as close contacts, so that they are always quarantined according to the AV [general ruling] Isolation; no individual order by the public health office is required. The school informs those concerned about the decision of the public health office. The quarantine for close contacts resulting from the AV Isolation can be terminated **after five days** with a negative test (rapid antigen test carried out by a health professional or a comparable person trained for this purpose, or PCR test) if the child has no symptoms typical of Covid-19. Any test to get out of quarantine is placed on individual responsibility of the legal guardian. The quarantine for close contacts ends with the transmission of the negative test result to the public health office.
- Pupils who are **exempt from the quarantine obligation¹** are advised to **limit their social contacts as much as possible** during this period.

Important: For more information on isolation and/or quarantine, please visit

<https://www.stmgp.bayern.de/coronavirus/>.

Once again, we thank you and your family for your support in coping with the Corona pandemic and wish you all the best!

Your State Ministry for Education and Cultural Affairs

¹The following persons are exempt from the quarantine obligation according to the *general ruling quarantine of contact persons and of suspected persons, isolation of persons who tested positive for the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 (AV Isolation)* since 25th January 2022:

- Boostered persons with 3 vaccinations (without time limitation)
- Persons with two vaccinations ("freshly vaccinated" from the 15th day until the 90th day after the 2nd vaccination)
- Recovered persons ("freshly recovered" from the 29th day until the 90th after positive PCR test)
- Recovered persons after PCR-confirmed infection and at least one subsequent vaccination (without time limitation)
- Persons with specific antibody detection and at least one subsequent vaccination (without time limitation)
- Vaccinated persons with at least one vaccination who subsequently recovered from COVID-19 disease (without time limitation)