# To ensure a safe community at Al-Bayan International School Clarification of close contacts and quarantine requirements



The health and safety of our students and staff is always our highest priority. Please review this important information so we can work together to keep everyone as safe as possible. **Keeping students home from school when they are sick or when they have been (or may have been) exposed to COVID-19 is essential to keeping our school community healthy and safe.** 

Please reach out to the nurses for counsel and advice if students were a close contact of a positive case or feeling unwell. BIS Nurse Phone: 22052822 Ext. 8019 or 8049 – BIS Reception: Ext. 8000 – KG/ES Admin: Ext. 8014 – MS/HS Admin: 8257.

### If a student tests positive:

- Please inform your child's teachers.
- A letter will be sent out to the parents of that class stating that all students will be in quarantine for 10 days.
- Students will switch to online instruction, and all classes will continue.

### If a staff member tests positive:

- Contact tracing will be completed and reported by the nurses.
- The students that are considered a close contact based on the definition below would be in quarantine and would begin online instruction.

#### A close contact is:

- Per the Ministry of Health, you are a close contact only when you were in the proximity of a positive case with your mask removed for a period of 15 minutes or more and within 2 meters distance.
- As a precaution for BIS, persons who are in the same class (including the teacher/assistant) for more than 2 periods will also need to quarantine and teach online.
- Siblings of the positive case will also need to be in quarantine and contact tracing completed and reported by the nurses.
- Siblings of students who are in quarantine but are not confirmed positive, are not considered close contacts, they are secondary contacts and should continue coming to school.
- Close contacts should be monitored for symptoms, and if the quarantined student develops symptoms, all siblings should wait for a PCR results and then determine next steps (i.e. negative results, resume classes; positive result, they would be considered a close contact and should not attend school).

## Please Stay Home ...

If a member of your family is positive for COVID-19 or has symptoms for COVID.

- Call your doctor.
- Contact the school nurse.
- Test and rest.

If the student has flu (fever, runny nose or cough).

- Call your doctor.
- Contact the school nurse.
- Return to school after recovering and no fever within 24 hours.

If the student has COVID symptoms (fever, runny nose, cough, shortness of breath, congestion, vomiting or diarrhea).

- Call your doctor.
- Contact the school nurse.
- Test and recover.

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