

To all parents, guardians and legal representatives

Unfortunately, it is a common occurrence at present that sick children are attending school/kindergarten. In this information letter, we let you know in which cases your child is not allowed to go to school/kindergarten:

When does your child need to stay at home?

Your child must stay at home in any case if he/she has tested positive for Covid-19 or has had contact with a person who has tested positive for Covid-19. In this case, your local health authority will advise you about what exactly you have to do. It **is imperative** that you follow your local health authority's instructions!

Your child also needs to stay at home if he or she has any of the following symptoms of illness:

- fever of 38.0 °C and over or
- cough, sore throat or
- an impaired sense of smell and taste
- runny nose, if one of the previously mentioned symptoms of illness is also present

Please contact your family doctor or paediatrician **by phone** if your child is displaying symptoms.

If you and/or your child have been in a risk area in the last ten days, you must (see https://www.rki.de/DE/Content/InfAZ/N/Neuartiges_Coronavirus/Risikogebiete_neu.html) report this to the municipal public order office. In this case, your child has to go into quarantine for **at least ten days**. The duration of quarantine depends on the area you have entered from. During quarantine, your child is not allowed to leave the house and you are not allowed to have any visitors.

When can your child go back to school/kindergarten?

If your child is in quarantine, he/she is not allowed to go back to school/kindergarten until the quarantine period specified by your local health authority has expired.

If your child shows symptoms of illness but is not in quarantine, he/she may only return to school/kindergarten once he/she has had no symptoms for 48 hours. However, a prerequisite is always that you have spoken to your family doctor or paediatrician about this!

If symptoms of illness occur during school hours, you must pick up your child immediately and take him/her home directly and without making any detours.

We urge you to comply with the Infection Protection Act and the currently applicable coronavirus regulations. By doing so, you will help to ensure that the coronavirus does not spread any further, that we are all protected in the best possible way, and that we remain healthy.

Kind regards,