



Mougins British INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

CÔTE D'AZUR

# **COVID Policy 2021**

#### Introduction

This is a guide which applies to Staff, Students, Parents or other members of the Mougins School Community who test positive, show symptoms or become unwell with Covid-19. It is in all our School community interest to be vigilant and prevent the spread of infection, especially Covid-19.

All members of the school community, including staff, students, families, visitors and others must be vigilant in monitoring for symptoms of illness and protect others by staying home when they are feeling ill and following Covid-19 specific exclusion and self-quarantine guidance when appropriate.

# **Essential points**

The Designated staff responsible for responding to Covid-19 concerns are the Head of Pastoral Care, Mr Robert Cooke (<u>r.cooke@mougins-school.com</u>) and the School Health and Well-being Officer, Mrs Alison Vibert (<u>a.vibert@mougins-school.com</u>). They will coordinate with local health authorities (L'Agence Régionale de Santé and The Préfecture of Nice 06 – see below - where necessary.

In the first instance please contact Mrs Alison Vibert (<u>a.vibert@mougins-school.com</u>) Health and Well-being Officer.

# **Closing of classes and contact-tracing**

The rule of closing the class for a period of 7 days from the first positive case will continue to apply in schools.

This rule will apply to all primary classes.

In secondary school, a reinforced contact-tracing protocol will be implemented to identify students who have had contact with a positive case. High-risk contact students who do not justify a complete vaccination will continue their distance learning for 7 days. Contact pupils at risk with a complete vaccination will continue the face-to-face lessons.

Reentry to school 2021/2022- Health protocols have been defined by the Ministry of Education in conjunction with the health authorities. It includes the creation of a graduation of 4 levels according to the evolution of the epidemic at territorial and national level.

Level 1/ green level

Level 2 / yellow level

Level 3 / orange level

Level 4 / red level

Reentry level in mainland France September 2021 has been set at Level 2 / yellow level

The below protocol is set for this level and may change as the health situation evolves.

https://www.education.gouv.fr/annee-scolaire-2021-2022-protocole-sanitaire-et-mesures-de-fonctionnement-324257

#### **Mougins school protocol**

All staff and students are required to wear category 1 'general public' masks when inside.

# The school will:

- Ensure we follow all French Covid-19 protocols for schools;
- train staff and students on good Covid-19 hygiene and social distancing at school;
- communicate openly and transparently with staff and parents;
- ensure the safeguarding and health of all members of Mougins School Community.

If a member of staff, a student or a parent shows Covid-19 symptoms or has tested positive for Covid-19:

#### A teacher must:

- immediately inform their HOD, the Health and Well-being Officer (<u>a.vibert@mougins-school.com</u>), Alison Vibert and the Head of Pastoral Care, Mr Robert Cooke;
- self-isolate immediately, stay at home or go home immediately;
- seek medical advice and inform the school nurse of the date of the test and if positive self-isolate for a **minimum of 10 days** and until symptom free.
- inform Alison Vibert of those with whom they have been in close contact.

- If a staff member has been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for Covid-19. They must self-isolate for 7 days from the last time they were in contact with the person who has the virus, even if they have a negative test result. If you live with the person who has the virus, they must self-isolate for 17 days. Contact a test centre to make an appointment.
- After the test, go straight home and self-isolate until you have the result.
- If you are fully vaccinated and have a negative test result, you do **not** have to self-isolate any further.

#### A student must:

- immediately tell their teacher if they are feeling ill or feel they have a new high temperature or cough;
- go straight to Alison Vibert, who will contact their parents to collect them.
- follow the instructions of their teacher and the Social Distancing protocol;

#### Parents must:

- Undertake not to send their child to school if they have a fever (38 degrees Centigrade) or if symptoms suggestive of Covid-19 appear in the pupil or his family/household.
- Inform the school of any household sickness, or positive test result, or close contact related to Covid-19;
- Inform their family doctor and arrange for a test if necessary;
- Keep children at home if a member of the household is ill with Covid-19.
- Respect the school's Coronavirus protocol and help your children understand the importance of good social-distancing behaviour.

- Parents must Inform the school Health and Well-being Officer (a.vibert@mougins-school.com) if a student or family member has been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for Covid-19. They must be immediately removed from school or remain at home. They must self-isolate for 7 days from the last time they were in contact with the person who has the virus, even if they have a negative test result. If you live with the person who has the virus, they must self-isolate for 17 days. Contact a test centre to make an appointment.
- After the test, go straight home and self-isolate until you have the result. If you are fully vaccinated and have a negative test result, you do not have to self-isolate any further.
- The access of accompanying persons to school buildings must be limited to what is strictly necessary and be done after cleaning and disinfection of the hands. Wearing a mask is required under the same conditions as those applicable to personnel
- Inform the school if students are returning from Travel.
- Testing and quarantine rules will apply as per government guidelines to be found at the link below.

https://www.campusfrance.org/en/travel-to-france-information-for-international-students-and-researchers

## In school:

- In School, staff or students who feel they have Covid-19 symptoms must go to the Health and Well-being Officer and begin to isolate to help protect themselves and other members of the school community.
- Parents of the student will be informed and asked to come and collect their child and seek medical advice. Students will remain isolated from other students and staff until their parent's arrival.

- Staff and students will have their temperature taken and if above 38° they will be asked to consult their doctor and to have a Covid-19 test. If positive they will self-quarantine for a minimum of 10 days and until symptom free, which is recommended by the Agence Régionale de Santé.
- Staff and students will only return to school after the 10 days of self-quarantine and symptom free.
- If a student is asked to isolate, the entire household should isolate together. Therefore any siblings at Mougins School will be required to isolate too. They must self-isolate for 7 days from the last time they were in contact with the person who has the virus, even if they have a negative test result. If you live with the person who has the virus, they must self-isolate for 17 days. Contact a test centre to make an appointment.
- After the test, go straight home and self-isolate until you have the result. If you are fully vaccinated and have a negative test result, you do not have to self-isolate any further.
- Proof of completed vaccination > 7 days from second dose / confirmed recovery within 2 months of testing positive for Covid-19 is required to continue face to face education
- Mougins School will follow government guidelines relating to dining room cleaning, seating and staggered meal times.
- Sports lessons will be undertaken as per government guidelines. At Level 2 / yellow level both indoor and outdoor sport is permitted following government guidance.
- We will work in conjunction with all the local French Agencies and authorities to ensure a safe and healthy environment for all members of our Mougins School community.

Communication is essential in helping to combat this pandemic and the school will communicate with responsibility and transparency to help protect and safeguard all our students, teachers and parents from Covid 19.

Everyone in our Community can help to prevent the spread of Covid 19 and everyone has a role to play:

# Students should:

- Tell their parents or teacher if they feel sick or have symptoms of Covid-19.
- Stay home from school and other activities if they feel sick or have symptoms of Covid-19.
- Stay home from school and other activities (called isolation) if they test positive for Covid-19.
- Follow the quarantine guidance if they are exposed to someone with Covid-19.
- From year 1 all students must wear a category 1 'general public' mask at school at all times (except when eating, during PE or when outside).
- Practise physical distancing as much as possible.
- Wash their hands with soap and water often.

## Parents should:

- Inform school of when a child or family member shows symptoms of, or tests positive for Covid-19
- Check your child for symptoms of Covid-19 every day before school.
- Take your child's temperature every day before school. If your child has a temperature of (38° C) or higher, the child has a fever. Thermometers are available in local pharmacies. If you do not have a thermometer, you should check your child's skin to see if it feels warm or is red, or ask if your child has chills or feels sweaty.
- Keep your child home from school if he or she feels sick or has symptoms of Covid-19 or a high temperature.
- Follow the quarantine guidance if your child or anyone who lives in their home is exposed to someone with Covid-19.
- Before the school year starts, tell the school if their child has a health condition that puts him or her at a higher risk for severe illness from Covid-19.
- Ensure that your child has 2 category 1 'general public' masks at school everyday.

## Teachers and staff should:

- Wear a category 1 'general public' mask at school at all times (except when eating and drinking, when outside)
- Practise physical distancing as much as possible.
- Stay home from school or work if they feel sick or have symptoms of Covid-19, ensuring they have kept their HoD, Health and Well-being Officer, HeadMaster and the Head of Pastoral care informed.
- Follow the isolation guidance from the health department if they test positive for Covid-19.
- Follow the quarantine guidance if they are exposed to someone with Covid-19.
- Prepare curriculum plans in case they have to isolate or quarantine.
- Encourage students to wash their hands with soap and water often and wear their masks.

We will work closely with the French Authorities:

HOTLINES

A toll-free hotline service (French only) can answer your questions about the Coronavirus COVID-19 non-stop, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week: 0 800 130 000 (from abroad: +33 800 130 000, depending on your operator).Please note that the toll-free hotline service cannot give medical advice.

## The Prefecture of Nice 06

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