

To the members of the school community of the
European School Frankfurt

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Dear members of the school community,

Yesterday afternoon the State Education Authority informed us that the "Eighth Regulation" has been withdrawn with immediate effect - probably also in view of the recent decreasing incidence rates in the City of Frankfurt. This decision entails the following changes for us as a school:

Nursery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No significant changes • masks are not compulsory (6-year-old children are also exempt until they start school) • no self-testing
Primary School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mask obligation in the building all the way to the seat • No mask obligation outside and during sports lessons • As of Monday, 20 September: 2 self-tests per week (Monday and Thursday)
Secondary School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mask obligation in the building all the way to the seat • No mask obligation outside and during sports lessons • As of Monday, 20 September: 2 self-tests per week (Monday and Thursday), vaccinated and recovered pupils are exempt
Positive COVID-case in the class	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Masks mandatory also at the seat for 2 weeks and daily self-tests • The class is not sent into quarantine in general, only close contact persons, according to the decision of the Health Authority • Vaccinated and recovered persons are generally exempt from quarantine

Even though we are all very happy about the less strict regulations, we still have to handle the situation with common sense and caution. The pandemic is not over yet and the protection of our health must remain our top priority. Even if masks are no longer compulsory in certain areas, they should of course continue to be worn, especially where distances cannot be kept.

Furthermore, from the week of 27 September 2021, we will receive new self-testing kits that are slightly different from the ones used so far. We will practice the use of the tests again with the pupils, but we also ask you to watch the video with your children you will find at the following link:

<https://www.clinitest.siemens-healthineers.com/de/clinitest-self-test>.

The development is heading us all in the right direction. We can and must all make our contribution and stay healthy and optimistic.

Kind regards,



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