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To the members of the  
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Dear members of the school community,

Last week, the Hessian Ministry of Education and Cultural Affairs adapted the "Hygiene Plan for Schools in Hesse (valid from 8 November)" and the Coronavirus Protection Regulation, as of 11 November 2021. Furthermore, in a letter dated 9 November to all School Directors, the Hessian Ministry of Education and Cultural Affairs informed them that the testing frequency (3 tests per week) would be maintained after the prevention weeks. There are no changes for the Nursery School.

Considering the national and international developments, the situation at the school is relatively calm. Nevertheless, we must take great care and caution to do everything possible to avoid infections with the Coronavirus. In the first week after the autumn holidays, the following cases of infection were recorded at the school (total since the beginning of the school year in brackets)

Nursery School: 0 (1)

Primary School: 5 (14)

Secondary School: 1 (12)

Teachers and staff: 0 (3)

As announced in my letter of 18 October, the measures during the 2nd prevention week remain in place, however, we already know that the testing frequency for primary and secondary school staff and students will remain three tests per week as of 19 November. Vaccinated and recovered individuals are exempt from mandatory testing if they are asymptomatic. In case of symptoms such as dry cough, fever, loss of sense of taste and smell, testing is compulsory. Of course, all vaccinated and recovered pupils can take advantage of the school's self-testing offer at any time. According to current information, the requirement to wear a mask at the seat will be discontinued after the prevention week as of 22 November 2021, even though we will continue to recommend the wearing of masks even at the seat due to our complex school system.

For the procedure to be followed in case of a positive case, please consult our website under [COVID-19](#) and the FAQs section. In general, only students tested positive (confirmed with PCR test) have to go into quarantine, in the affected class/learning group all students are tested daily for 2 weeks and the mask requirement is also in place for these groups at the seat. Seatmates are no longer generally sent into quarantine. All measures are coordinated with the health department.

Access to the building is still only possible with a mouth-nose covering and a currently valid negative test (3G rule: complete vaccination, proof of recovery, antigen test max. 24 hours after testing; PCR test max. 48 hours after testing).

Please consult the hygiene plan on our website and the continuously updated FAQs regularly.

I thank everyone for their efforts to do everything we can to limit the spread of the pandemic. Only together can we control the pandemic and defeat it as soon as possible.

Please take care of yourselves and others and stay healthy.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'F. Patscheider', written in a cursive style.

Ferdinand Patscheider

Director