



REOPENNING PLAN

AL Ittihad National Private School

2021-2022



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INTRODUCTION

Welcome Back!

would like to extend a very warm welcome back to Alittihad National Private School. We hope that you and your family are safe, well and rested. We are happy to announce that Alittihad National Private School Team were here for a little over weeks preparing for all our students to return to school this School Year 2021-2022.

We are writing to update you on the plan for reopening that should be read in conjunction with ADEK parents' guideline and the reopening school guideline regarding the school reopening plan.

Please take some time to read the guideline-

<https://www.adek.gov.ae/Education-System/Parent-Resource-Hub/Private-School-Reopening-Policies-and-Guidelines>

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INPSAA School Covid19 Task Force and School Health and Safety Team oversee maintaining and ensuring a safe and healthy environment at school.

It is important to note that your child's safety is our top priority, and we are fully committed to supporting his health, well-being and continued academic development during this time. We will be adhering to all Health and Safety regulations as mandated by ADEK and Health authorities.



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Pre-Return Requirements for Individuals attending school:

- Students should send prior of their attendance to school the following documents
 - **Students Physical Return Declaration Form (SDF)**
 - **Medical Risk Undertaking Form**
 - **Travel declaration form for those who traveled outside the country**

Please email the completed form to clinic@inpsaa.com

- If students have any medical high-risk condition, they should send or bring on the day of their attendance a physician's letter stating that student is fit to physically attend school shall be submitted alongside the form.
- student aged 16 and above, must be vaccinated then they will be authorized to enter school upon presentation of their vaccination status on the ALHOSN app.
- All students aged 12 and above must show a valid PCR (96hours) test result to enter the school.
- Students of determination are exempt from this requirement.
- students' will not be authorized to enter the school premises if the required forms were not provided.

ARRIVAL TO AND DEPARTURE

- All students should arrive to school at 7:45am, classes will start at 8:00am (no morning assemblies and national anthem will be in classrooms)
- Children and parents should wash hands thoroughly before leaving the house and check their temperature is not above 37.5°C. If it is, they should stay at home. No one with a temperature above 37.5°C is allowed on campus.
- two designated entry and exist points must be used by all students, staff and visitors seeking access to school. This designated entry and exist points will be fitted with thermal imaging cameras which will record each individual's temperature, so it is imperative that these points are used.
- A trained security officers will monitor the system throughout the day. A process is in place to manage any students identified as having a temperature greater than 37.5 degrees Celsius.
 - Gate 1 (Front of School main entrance) - Grades 5 – 12 boys, Grade 1 and KG
 - Gate 5 (Front of School- back side entrance) – Elementary and Grade 5 – 12 Girls.
 - Gate 2,3,4 – Closed
 - Door 6 (for staff accessing middle and high school grade 5 – 12 boys' section)
 - Door 7 (for kindergarten and grade 1 only)
 - Reception entrance (for Administrators and visitors)
 - Door 3 (Grade 2 – 4)
 - Door 4 (Staff for Middle and high school Girls' section)

[Click here for the school map entry and exit](#)

- All parents wishing to enter for specific reasons must present a 96-hour valid negative COVID-19 test at the security gate entrance. Please have your test result ready to display on the AIHOSN App or by SMS on your phones. Security will log the parent/guardian's name and mobile number in the Security Logbook.
- We request that students enter and exit the school premises independently. Students who require support will be accompanied by staff members if needed.
- Meetings are encouraged to take place online, unless there is a critical need for one-to-one meeting which should take place on an appointment by email basis – communication@inpsaa.com prior approval.
- To reduce crowding on leaving all students riding the school buses will be dismissed as below:
 - Kg students will be dismissed at 12:30pm
 - Elementary, Middle and high students (grade 1 to 5) will be dismissed at 2pm
- Parents should be ready to collect their children at the designated dismissal time 12 pm.
- The school buildings and all outside spaces will be closed at 4.00pm.

MOVEMENT AROUND SCHOOL

- All non-essential movements around school will be avoided.
- If group of students during lessons (PE, IT..), section supervisors will ensure that they are using the shortest route possible.
- All floors at the entrances will be marked with 2-meter markings to remind students, staff and visitors arriving to remain at a safe distance.
- The lunchroom is an area that can be used by non-teaching staff to work while maintaining appropriate physical distancing.
- Students will be reminded to walk on the right-hand side.
- Students should be conscious of physical distancing and avoid unnecessary contact with their peers.
- In elementary, middle, and high school section, only one grade will be outside in the playground at any one time
- School is identified as a single building, macrobubbles categorized as A1, A2,A3,A4 and all area macrobubble.

HYGIENE

- We have Posters explaining the protective measures in accordance to ADEK and DOH and were prominently displayed at each entrance and via school website (health and safety section). Information will be sent to staff via email regularly.
- Hand washing and other normal hygiene rules will be encouraged and facilitated.
- Ventilation will be enhanced by having windows and doors open whenever and wherever possible.
- Students are asked to provide sanitizers and extra masks
- School will provide extra PPE supplies if needed.
- All classrooms, hallways, bathrooms, and playground are provided with sanitizers and the necessary items for hygiene.

Masks

- Masks shall be worn by any individual entering the school premises, except the following categories:
 - Students and staff who cannot wear masks due to medical conditions (supported by a medical certificate) who are expected to wear a face shield instead, KG students.
 - Teachers of younger students as well as Students of Determination that have hearing impairments, who are advised to wear transparent masks instead.
 - All students and staff during lunch and when engaged in sport activities.
 - Masks must be worn at all other times.
 - Students and staff should bring extra masks to always ensure that a spare mask is available.
 - A supply of masks is available at the entrances, classrooms and exits of the school for students who may have misplaced or damaged their masks.
 - Gloves are not recommended.

CLEANING AND SANITIZING

- A regular cleaning of all surfaces and objects after use, especially if they are touched by several people is implemented.
- All rooms will be regularly ventilated (by all staff).
- Classrooms will be ventilated for about 10 minutes before and after each session/class. In total, the office or classroom will be ventilated at least four times a day for about 10 minutes.
- Surfaces and objects (work surfaces, keyboards, telephones and working tools) are regularly cleaned.
- Electrical items wiped with disinfectant sprayed on a cloth.
- In the case of shared use, cleaning will be carried out before each change of staff.

BREAK & LUNCH TIME

- For students lunch break periods will be taken place in classrooms.
- Students will have to bring their own food and drinks
- Water cooler will be provided to fill their own water bottle
- Students are not allowed to share foods or utensils.

TRANSPORTATION

A letter was communicated via email for bus registration, please confirm your registration to reserve your child spot.

- All school buses are equipped with hand sanitizer at their entrance doors. Bus monitors are provided with sanitizing wipes and an appropriate waste bin.
- Students must sanitize their hands when getting on the bus, and once before dismounting.
- All government guidelines with respect to hygiene and social distancing will be strictly adopted
- All students who are in Grade 1 and above are required to wear a mask.
- Temperature will be taken inside the bus close to the entrance and the student will need to disembark if found to have an elevated body temperature.
- In case a student has an elevated body temperature at the time of boarding the bus from school to home, they will be asked to wait for a parent/legal guardian to pick them up.
- Student who shows Covid 19 symptoms during the trip to school, will be seated 2 m away from other students and placed in isolation upon arrival at school, parents will be informed before the bus reach school for pick up. A student showing symptoms is required to visit a SEHA Primary Healthcare Doctor to be assessed and may only return to school upon fulfilling the requirements outlined in the Guide for Private Schools COVID-19 Response Teams.

COVID-19 RESPONSE TO CASES

A COVID-19 Taskforce composed of the COVID-19 Response Team as well as relevant departments within the school (student affairs, human resources, academic affairs, community outreach, etc.)

We are prepared for any eventuality, and we have rehearsed the process if an infection is discovered. The COVID-19 response team is aware of the new protocols as per ADEK preopening announcements.

- Students having sudden onset of symptoms such as fever, shortness of breath, cough or sore throat with or without fever. The teacher will immediately inform the Response Team Leader and provide the student with a surgical mask if he/she is able to tolerate wearing the mask.
- The Team Leader must arrange for the First Responder (School nurse) to collect the student from their classroom and move them to the quarantine room while keeping 2 m distance from them and ensuring that the student avoids touching high-contact surfaces.
- Classroom will be cleaned and disinfected, especially the affected student's desk and belongings.
- Parent/guardian will be contacted by the team to have them picked up their child immediately to be taken home/to a hospital.
- In case a student reports that they have tested positive for COVID-19 or have been in contact with a positive case or suspected to be infected by the virus, the COVID-19 Response Team will follow the relevant protocols included in the Guide for Private Schools COVID-19 Response Teams shared by ADEK's COVID-19 Incident Management Team.

COVID-19 PCR TESTING & VACCINATION

PCR Tests:

- All students aged 12 and above are required to show a valid negative PCR test result to enter the school, students of determination are exempt from this requirement.
- Students, Staff and teachers will be tested every 2 weeks.
- Following each of the main holidays (Winter, spring and summer breaks as well as both Eid holidays) through the academic year, students ages 12+ , teachers and staff are required to have a PCR with 96 hours maximum validity.
- Any updates or changes on required testing will be communicated to all parents/guardian through the communication email
- Schedules for testing will be shared with you once communicated by ADEK

Vaccination:

- All our educational staff have chosen to be vaccinated, we encourage you to be a part of our safe community and vaccinate your child
- Students between the ages of 3-15 years do not have to be vaccinated to attend school
- Students aged 16+ must be vaccinated
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- All students for any reason (travel or unable to get appointment, being previously exempt) will have started but not completed their vaccination journey before August 20th, 2021 (completed Dose 1, Dose 2, or both doses but not the required 28 days) are allowed to enter school premises and must ensure the timely completion of the vaccination.
- The date of your child second dose must be discussed clearly with the school clinic

Booster doses for vaccinated students

- Students aged 16+ who have completed 6 months from the second Dose of their previous vaccine must obtain a booster dose within 30 days to maintain their ALHOSN green status and being allowed to access to school.
- Please note that if not complied your ALHOSN app will turn grey starting 20th, September 2021, unfortunately you won't be allowed to enter school
- Please check the location in Al Ain and Abu Dhabi that arranged for the Booster Doses from 17th August to 31 October 2021

<https://adek.gov.ae/en/Education-System/Students-and-Educators-Vaccination>