



STAY AT HOME POLICY

Purpose

Staying at home if you are sick is the best thing you can do to stop any future spread of COVID19. This policy aims to ensure students and staff feel safe and are well attended to when they are required to Stay At home

Guidelines

Staff and students will be required to stay at home and not allowed in the school premises if they fulfil any one of the following criteria:

- Having a temperature of 37.5°C or higher
- Feeling sick, or if he/she show any of the COVID-19 symptoms like fever (37.5°C or above), sore throat, running nose, cough, headache, body pain, shortness of breath, etc.
- Has an international travel history during the 14 days prior to the onset of the symptoms.
- Has been in contact with a confirmed COVID-19 case within the past 14 days.
- Has Influenza like illness without history of travel or known COVID-19 Exposure
- Is a high risk patient with high risk conditions (Specific illnesses or immunocompromised)

If a child begins to show any symptoms of COVID-19 while at school:

- They will be taken to the isolation room.
- The Parent/Guardian of the child will be notified immediately, and the parent should refer their child to the hospital to undertake a mandatory PCR Test.
- Any sibling of the child enrolled at Buds Public School will also need to be removed from school and leave with the parent.
- The child and siblings(s) will not be permitted to return to school until the child's negative PCR test result are obtained and shared with school clinic.
- If the COVID-19 is negative, but the child and sibling(s) have been in contact with someone who has tested positive, the child and sibling(s) should complete 14 days quarantine.
- If the COVID-19 PCR test is positive, the child and sibling(s) will not be allowed to return to the school until they have a DHA Medical Certificate stating that they are free of COVID-19 which must be provided to the school clinic.

Effective and revision dates

This policy is effective from October 2020 and will be reviewed in September 2023.