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Update of Illness Policy of the International School Braunschweig–Wolfsburg (last issued 28th September 2020)



Symptoms of an ordinary cold (headache, running nose or coughing) are quite common in Germany at certain times of the year. However, under the impact of the Covid-19 virus, we do monitor our students' health carefully. The RKI (Robert-Koch-Institute) has recommended some new measures with regard to the increasing number of Covid-19 cases which are also reflected in the update of the Illness Policy of the International School Braunschweig–Wolfsburg.

Students with any symptom of Covid-19 virus need to stay at home. Parents need to contact their doctor who will advise the next steps. Symptoms of Covid-19 may include:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

Please be aware that a sick child needs to stay at home. Under no circumstances should a child with symptoms be sent to school!

Please keep your child at home for some rest and observe his/her symptoms. **Please do not forget to inform the school office by 8:15 am if your child is not able to come.**

Students should be free of any symptoms without the aid of any medication for 48 hours before sending them back to school.

Should your doctor decide that you or your child or a close family member have to take a Corona test, you need to keep your child at home and wait for the test results.

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Staff members are not allowed to administer any medication to your child unless in emergency situations.

Should staff members notice any symptoms of sickness during the school day, they will separate a sick child from the other students and inform the parents. For your child's wellbeing and the health of others, please pick up your child as quickly as possible.

Parents need to inform the Head of School about any infection with the coronavirus in your family immediately. Due to the Coronavirus Notification Regulation in Germany, the International School has to inform the local health authorities about justified suspicion of the disease and the occurrence of COVID-19 cases in school. **The next steps are advised by the local Health Authorities, like quarantine of students, classes, cohorts, staff members or logdown of the entire school.**

Your child is much better already, but you still need to observe his health status at home? **Please contact us, and we will discuss how to arrange participation in online lessons for your child.**

Stay healthy.

Regards,

Anne Köneke

Head of School