

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)



Education Restart – Update to Coronavirus (COVID-19): Guidance for Schools and Educational Settings in Northern Ireland

From: Education Restart Programme

To: All Schools,

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Dear Colleague

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A further update of this guidance has been published to reflect:

- a. the recent strengthening of restrictions agreed by the Executive on public gatherings;
- b. additional public health guidance on when to self-isolate and how to deal with those pupils or staff who refuse to test and /or self-isolate; and,
- c. Minister's decision taken in October to pause educational visits

The updated guidance is attached and the key changes made in this updated version are set out in page 5. Schools are encouraged to review their existing COVID-19 measures and amend them as necessary to reflect the good practice set out in this guidance

In addition to the new guidance the Department has also published an updated flow chart on how to deal with COVID-19 Positive Case in a School Setting.

Coronavirus guidance for schools will continue to be reviewed and amended to address any future scientific and medical evidence that arise.

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Regards

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