

TEACHERS' SALARIES AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE COMMITTEE (SCHOOLS) MANAGEMENT SIDE

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Dear Colleagues

Coronavirus (Covid-19) Guidance for Schools and Educational Settings in Northern Ireland

The Department of Education issued the fourth edition of the above guidance to all schools yesterday. Schools should note that this edition makes a number of important amendments and additions to the previous version of the guidance issued on 29th September 2020.

The Key Changes to the guidance are outlined on pages 5 and 6. A copy of the updated guidance can be found at the link below:

<https://www.education-ni.gov.uk/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-school-and-educational-settings-northern-ireland>

Management Side takes this opportunity to remind all our schools that they must fully comply with the guidance as issued. In circumstances where a school encounters an issue with any aspect of operational compliance, the school must immediately contact its Cross Organisational Link Officer (COLO) for further advice.

We recognise this continues to be an exceptionally challenging time for our school leaders, teachers and the wider school community and we continue to work with our Trade Union colleagues to address issues of concern. We acknowledge the huge commitment of the entire school workforce in their collective efforts to keep our schools open and ensure the delivery of learning for our children and young people.

Full compliance with the provisions of the revised guidance will ensure that this is achieved as safely as possible.



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