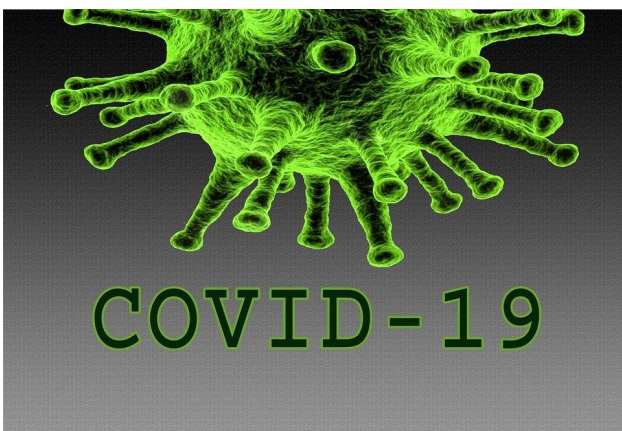


EMS AL KHOR REOPENING GUIDELINES 2020-21



GUIDING PRINCIPLES

KEY IDEAS TO GUIDE PRACTICE



We will keep everyone safe by strictly adhering to the guidelines published by the EMS group and government.
 We will seek to minimise entrance on to campus, and movement around campus.
 We will not do anything that doesn't support or enhance the learning experience of the students.
 We will have a specific focus on the needs of our staff, our students and our school families.
 Welfare is a combination of the social, psychological and medical.

We need to prepare for three (3) core scenarios - continuation of online learning, the movement to blended learning and the return to the classroom for all.

100% learning always
50% in our classrooms sometimes
100% in our classrooms eventually!



ONLINE we will continue to deliver our curriculum online until it is deemed safe to bring students back to school.

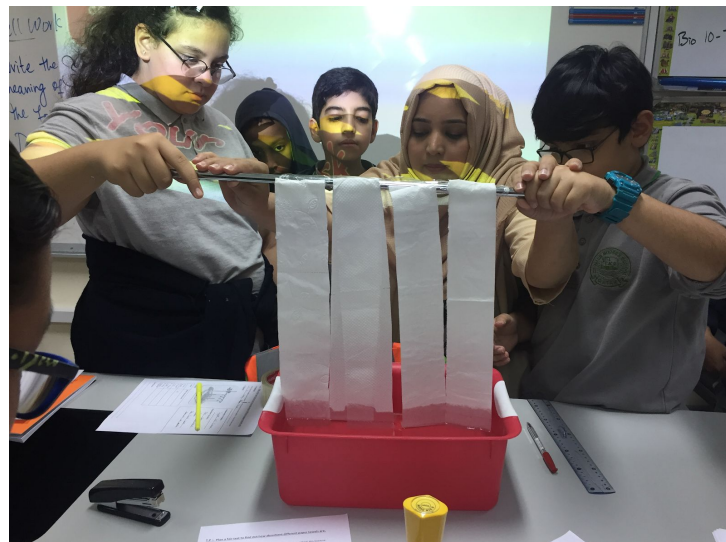
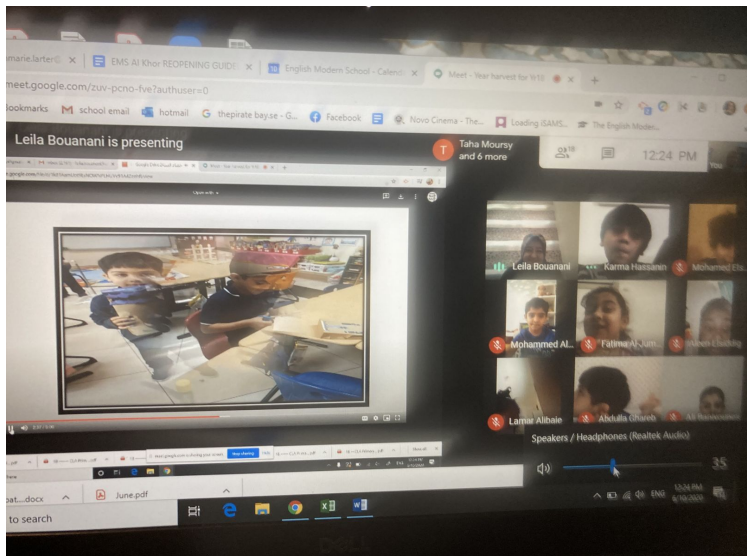


BLENDED LEARNING Movement back to school will occur gradually. We will start with 50% and increase.



CLASSROOM Safe return to the classroom for all is the ultimate goal. Safety is the priority.

-EMERGING SAFELY-



100% LEARNING ALWAYS

ONLINE LEARNING - 100% AT HOME

BLENDED LEARNING - 50% in the Classroom / 50% at Home

(+300 daily new cases of coronavirus; no vaccine)

Student return to school will be phased. This is largely to achieve the physical distancing target of around 1-2 metres between students. This can be achieved with class sizes of around 12-13 students.

ECE:

- KG1& KG2 attend every day until 9:30 for the first week and then gradually extend it.

Primary & Secondary Divisions:

- All Year levels attend every day. ½ of the students from each class attend on Sunday and Tuesday. Second ½ class attends Monday and Thursday. Groups will alternate on Wednesdays. Students will continue working online on days they are not in school.

As much as possible, families will attend school on the same day - based on siblings. This will allow older family members to accept responsibility for younger siblings.

(+600 daily new cases of coronavirus; no vaccine)

As English Modern School prepares to gradually reopen its campuses to faculty, staff and students, new health policies and hygiene procedures are being implemented to ensure the highest standards of health and safety for our learners, parents and staff members. Please help keep our community safe by adhering to our guidelines.

The alternative binary daily schedule - Day 1 / Day 2 - provides a fuller day and fewer logistical challenges

CLASSROOM LEARNING - 100% in the classroom

(+30 daily new cases of coronavirus; or an available vaccine)

When it has been determined to be safe, all students return to the classroom with heightened hygienic et practices.

DECISION TO ATTEND

- ❖ Particularly vulnerable children and staff will be given the option to work/learn from home.
- ❖ Parents, who are making the ultimate decision on whether or not their children attend, will be asked not to bring/send students who are displaying COVID-19 symptoms (as per WHO guidelines). Parents will be asked to sign a declaration form agreeing to this.
- ❖ Please see the chart below for more details on deciding to come to school.

ENTRANCE TO SCHOOL

- ❖ All staff, students (over 12 years) and visitors must show an up-to-date green status on the EHTERAZ app on their phone.
- ❖ Everyone entering the campus will have their temperature at the gate. Anyone showing a high fever or symptoms (in line with WHO guidelines) will not be allowed on campus and must NOT return to school until they are FEVER FREE for at least 48 hours.
- ❖ Students and faculty/staff will be required to wear masks covering their mouth and nose upon entering the campus.
- ❖ All staff and students will be required to sanitise hands on entry to the school.
- ❖ Parents will only be able to enter school campus for official business or if they have a prior appointment.
- ❖ There will be no late class. All children will stay in homeroom classes until they are dismissed to parents.

BUS SERVICE

- ❖ Students will be appropriately spaced while riding the bus.
- ❖ Bus drivers, bus assistants and students **must** wear masks on the bus.
- ❖ Buses will be provided with hand sanitizers and all staff and children will need to use this before entering and leaving the bus.
- ❖ Bus drivers will have disinfectant supplies and will disinfect the bus after each use.

LEARNING ENVIRONMENT PRECAUTIONS

- ❖ Desks will be placed 1 or 1.5 meter distancing, with two students per table.
- ❖ Each student has their own Ziplock bag for belongings which is kept in the class.
- ❖ No backpacks, only lunch boxes.
- ❖ Tabletops, Chromebooks, chairs, doors, door handles, will be cleaned thoroughly at regular intervals throughout the day.
- ❖ There will be limited transitions and specialist teachers come to the classroom.
- ❖ A flexible seating plan will be implemented within the classrooms.
- ❖ All non-essential furniture, including carpets, will be removed from the classroom.

COMMON AREAS

- ❖ Hand sanitisers will be available in all classrooms and throughout the school. Children and staff will be encouraged to wash their hands regularly.
- ❖ Students and staff will be required to wear masks in common areas when on campus.
- ❖ Physical distancing protocols will be managed in line with the appropriate guidance, in classrooms and common and closed areas, such as hallways, entrance ways, library, bathrooms, etc.
- ❖ Students will not be permitted to gather in groups inside the school premises (including play areas).
- ❖ Students will go directly to classrooms and exit the school directly after the end of the school day.
- ❖ Arrows will be displayed on the floor, directing traffic.
- ❖ Separate stairwells will be designated for going up and down.



EMOTIONAL SUPPORT FOR STAFF AND STUDENTS:

- ❖ The Counsellor will provide social-emotional support for staff and students.
- ❖ The Counsellor will provide Individual counselling to students, practising physical distancing.
- ❖ The Counsellor will provide an online referral system for students and teachers.
- ❖ The School Counselor will provide a Wellness Survey to staff 1/week.
- ❖ The Counsellor will train and educate staff on safeguarding measures and follow up for risk factors as a result of physical distancing during the lockdown.

NON-CLASSROOM EXPERIENCE

- ❖ Students will be permitted break times with appropriate physical distancing measures in place, supervised by staff.
- ❖ Collective activities such as assemblies and extra-curricular activities will only take place online.
- ❖ Students would be required to bring in their own snacks/lunches. Cafeteria will not be available.
- ❖ Water fountains will only be used to refill reusable bottles. Students must bring their own refillable water bottles.
- ❖ Students from each class will be permitted to use bathroom facilities one at a time. Entrance to the bathrooms will be limited to 2 students at one time. Bathrooms will have markers on the floor for physical distancing and will be monitored and cleaned regularly.
- ❖ Everyone is encouraged to frequently and thoroughly wash their hands with soap and water for a minimum of 20 seconds.
- ❖ Prayer room physical distancing: 1 student at a time. Students must bring their own prayer rug.

COVID-19 EPISODE

- ❖ A Nurse will be available and an appropriate isolation room, close to the entrance of the school will be in place for any students or staff who display symptoms whilst on school premises. The Nurse will follow the guidelines provided by the MOH including the use of PPE equipment.
- ❖ Any student needing to go to the nurse must request a clinic pass.
- ❖ If a student who has attended school during this period is tested positive for COVID-19, we will inform our school communities.
- ❖ If any faculty, staff or students experience fever or other symptoms of COVID-19, whilst at school will need to remain in a designated quarantine room until they can be picked up by their parents or guardian, or suitable safe arrangements can be made to take them home/hospital.
- ❖ In the event of suspected Covid-19 infection, the MOE regulations must be followed, including the numbers of days of isolation. Faculty and students must be cleared by their doctor prior to returning to school, and produce a doctor's letter for the nurse before their return to school.

FLOW CHART:

WHEN IS IT OK TO COME TO SCHOOL?

