

PASSAGE TO LEVEL 2 OF THE HEALTH AND PEDAGOGICAL PROTOCOL

Why did the LFSL make the decision to move from Level 1 to Level 2 of the health protocol?

We were informed this weekend of a confirmed Covid case concerning a Lycée student and suspicions (symptoms and tests in progress) concerning other students. At the same time, the sanitary situation is worsening in Sweden where the increase of contamination cases is very important in Stockholm. According to our protocol, as the circulation of the virus is now "localized" and not limited (level 1), it was necessary to go to level 2.

How was this decision made?

An exceptional Comité Hygiène et Sécurité was held on Monday, November 9 in the presence of a parent elected to the CE to validate the passage to level 2 of the protocol. As a precautionary measure, the Headmaster/Chief of School took the decision this Sunday to set up distance learning for the students of Lycée level on Monday, November 9 to avoid the development of a cluster in the Annexe.

What are Level 2 protocol measurements?

- Elémentaire : In-class teaching
- Collège : In-class teaching with compulsory wearing of masks in confined spaces, and playground
- Lycée : Distance learning until 18/12/2020, maintenance of Swedish national exams
- Canteen: Arrangements of services and flow (Elémentaire, Collège and Lycée) in order to allow for distancing

Why did you set up a distance learning system for the 6 classes of the Lycée level?

To avoid the birth of a cluster and a situation of contamination, given the cramped premises that the annex represents and the age of the students, we wanted to stop this contagion for 10 days. This decision was supported by the Infection Control of Stockholm (Smittskydd Stockholm) that we contacted this week. The Lycée level is not closed, it is a distance learning program for 06 classes.

Isn't it possible to envisage a return of the students to in-class teaching before December 18th?

On November 19th, after the restrictions announced by the City of Stockholm, we will meet again in the Comité Hygiène et Sécurité to decide if a in-class teaching can be considered for the 6 classes of Lycée level. A resumption of classes with 50% in-class teaching could be envisaged from Monday 23rd November 2020 depending on the decisions taken by the committee, the Swedish and French recommendations and the evolution of the health situation.

What are the French and Swedish recommendations regarding distance learning in high school?

The French and Swedish authorities agree on the possibility for Lycée to combine distance learning and in-class teaching in order to limit the flow of students within the school. The modalities are up to each school.

Could we be informed of the class in which the cases occurred?

One case has been identified and several cases of suspicion have been brought to our attention. Nevertheless, the guidelines are clear that there is no obligation for a school to communicate the identity of covid cases but for the person themselves to do so.

If a partial return to in-class teaching is envisaged, what would be the modalities?

This point is still under discussion, but according to the first exchanges with the pedagogical teams and in particular during the Conseil Pédagogique of November 10, 2020, we could consider welcoming 2nd students in week Q1 and 1e and Tle students in week Q2 in order to limit the flow and presence of students in the Annexe premises. This return to the classroom would be done with the compulsory wearing of masks in the classrooms and traffic areas.

A modification of the timetable would be envisaged concerning the lunch time in order to reserve a canteen service exclusively for lycée students between 13h15 and 14h00.

How are distance learning courses currently organized for the high school?

Everything is indicated in the pedagogical protocol which was validated at the beginning of the school year. Teachers, students and families are required to refer to this protocol. All courses and homework will be indicated via Pronote. Contacts and exchanges (video or chat) will be done via Teams.

How will the evaluations for the first trimester for Lycée students take place?

Each teacher, within the framework of his or her pedagogical freedom, will be able to organize distance evaluations. These marks will be counted in the average.

How to avoid the slackening of some students who have more difficulties at distance?

Teachers are available in the subject slots provided in the timetable to answer students' questions. If you feel that your child has other difficulties, you can also contact the school life team or the health team who will be able to follow up more closely.

What is the role of parents in distance education?

Everything is specified in the pedagogical protocol. Parents have access to all courses and homework via their Pronote account. They can therefore follow up on their child's work.

What will be the rhythm of the videoconference courses (Teams)?

We have asked the teachers to make at least one visual contact per week with their class on a slot in the discipline's timetable.

Is it possible for a student to borrow a computer from the LFSL?

Yes, as last year, you can make your requests at covid19@lfsl.net.

Can high school students have access to the annex?

Access to the Annexe during this period is only for two reasons:

- Participation in the Swedish national exams
- To come and get things from your locker

Opening hours have been reduced, so please come by between 8h30 and 11h30 in the morning and between 13h30 and 16h30 in the afternoon.

Isn't this distance learning likely to make it difficult for students to prepare for exams?

The French Minister of National Education indicated this Thursday the cancellation of the common evaluations (formerly called E3C) planned in première and terminale which will be replaced by the continuous control thanks to the taking into account of the marks of the school report card.

What about the right to disconnection?

During this complex period and considering distance education, it is important to recall our policy regarding the right to disconnection. Teachers are not required to respond to requests outside of regular working hours (i.e. late evenings and weekends).

It is also important for students to schedule times each day off the screens.

SYMPTOMS AND CASES OF CONTAMINATION

Has the LFSL made contact with Infection Control Stockholm (smittskydd Stockholm)?

Yes, we had telephone contact with Smittskydd Stockholm on Tuesday, November 10.

What is Smittskydd Stockholm's opinion on contagion in schools?

Smittskydd Stockholm insisted on the fact that given the health measures put in place in schools, it is generally not the school environment that is most at risk. Contamination between students is more of a risk during non-school time. The recommendation is therefore to carefully and pedagogically inform and support social distancing outside school time.

What action should be taken in the event of a "contact case"?

If a student or his family has been in contact with people who have tested positive for Covid-19, the LFSL asks families to stay at home for a few days and to remain vigilant by being very attentive to the symptoms.

What should be done if a student has symptoms?

Parents should ensure that their children are healthy before going to school by taking a temperature reading at home in the morning. Students must stay home as long as they feel sick and be symptom-free for two days before they can return to school or go for testing.

What should be done if the student or a family member tests positive for Covid-19?

If the student tests positive for Covid-19, the student must stay home 7 days after the test results.

If a family member tests positive for Covid-19, the student must stay home for a few days as well. It is up to the person who has tested positive to contact the people with whom he or she has been in close contact. It is not the responsibility of the school to communicate the identities of Covid cases.

What is the position of the LFSL if a Covid case is discovered in a classroom?

If we discover a cluster (several infected persons at the same time) in the same classroom, we may consider a switch to distance learning for the class(es) concerned, for a limited period of time, to stop the contamination.

What is Smittskydd Stockholm's position on wearing a mask?

It is not forbidden for schools in Sweden to ask students to wear masks.

What should be done on an individual basis in order to keep face-to-face teaching as long as possible?

Smittskydd Stockholm has emphasized the individual responsibility of each person to limit the spread of infection by following the guidelines for the city of Stockholm, including the recommendation not to organize or participate in private gatherings.

The health measures currently in place at all levels must be respected to the maximum to limit the spread and we ask families to be vigilant about their child's health status and not to send a child with symptoms to school.

What about the recommendation to limit travel on public transportation?

This recommendation primarily concerns people who have other options for travel or who may be able to limit their travel. It is not indicated that it is intended for school children. Your child is always free to wear a mask on public transportation to ensure maximum safety.