

RISK ASSESSMENT

Risk Assessment for:	Covid-19 Risk Assessment for Schools In Step 4 Droylsden Academy	Date:	10 th December 2021
Assessor:	TMBC H&S & Droylsden Academy Covid-19 Committee	Review Date:	January 2022

Sources:	Schools COVID-19 operational guidance (publishing.service.gov.uk) COVID-19: cleaning in non-healthcare settings outside the home - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) 6. COVID-19 infection prevention and control guidance: aerosol generating procedures – procedures that create a higher risk of respiratory infection transmission - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)
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What are the Hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	Risk Rating	Current Control Measures	Risk Rating with Control Measures in place	Are risks adequately controlled for work task to go ahead, or will further control measures be required? (Detail any additional measures)	Action required by Whom	Date action required by
Direct or Indirect transmission of COVID -19 virus from being in close proximity to people with the virus. i.e. person to person transmission (hand to hand, hand to	School employees parents, pupils and the general public Ill health (e.g. Respiratory symptoms, fever, cough, shortness of breath	H	Attending the setting No child or adult will attend the Academy if; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> they have any symptoms of COVID 19 or live with someone who is showing symptoms of COVID 19 (including a fever and/or new persistent cough) have tested positive in the last 10 days or are living with someone who has They have arrived from a red list country in the last 10 days 	M	These controls will be reviewed whenever there is an update in guidance from the UK government All staff are strongly encouraged to get the vaccines and booster vaccine	PW/WL HR	Aug 2021

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mouth, hand to body). Or from contact with contaminated surfaces.	In more severe cases, infection can cause pneumonia, severe acute respiratory syndrome, kidney failure and even death)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> They have not been double vaccinated in the UK and have returned from an amber list country in the last 10 days <p>No child or adult will attend the academy if;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> they have any symptoms of COVID 19 have tested positive in the last 10 days <p>No adult (over the age of 18) will attend the setting if;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> they have not been double vaccinated in the UK and have been identified as a close contact of a positive case in the last 10 days <p>From 13th December no meetings will be held on the site unless they are essential. Parents or other visitors will only attend by prior appointment and will be strongly encouraged to take a Lateral Flow test before attending the site.</p>	<p>This risk assessment will be shared with all members of staff</p> <p>Any contractors/visitors will be advised of any control measures they are required to adopt whilst on site.</p>			
		<p>Hand and respiratory hygiene All staff and pupils will be instructed to continue with regular, thorough handwashing/sanitising</p> <p>Good respiratory hygiene practices will continue to be encouraged through the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach</p>			Pastoral Teams	Sept 2021
		<p>Cleaning regimes Cleaning is carried out in line with the guidance COVID-19: cleaning in non-healthcare settings outside the home - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cleaning staff will regularly clean high frequency touchpoints/surfaces Equipment which is used by multiple classes, and can be cleaned, is cleaned at least daily 			WLY / LJO	Aug 2021

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		<p>Ventilation Where it is possible to do so, windows are open to increase ventilation.</p> <p>Where it is safe to do so internal doors are opened to increase ventilation and air flow.</p> <p>Fire doors which protect escape routes are not propped open.</p> <p>Mechanical ventilation systems have been set to only circulate fresh outside air.</p>		Poorly ventilated areas are to be identified and consideration given as to how fresh air flow can be improved	Staff	Aug 2021
		<p>Additional PPE (beyond that which would normally be used regardless of covid 19) From 19th October staff and pupils will be required to wear masks when moving round school. Face coverings will not be required when pupils are sat at their desks in classrooms, eating or whilst outside. Additional PPE is also required in school;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> if an individual child, young person or student becomes ill with coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms and only then if a distance of 2 metres cannot be maintained <p>The PPE that should be used in the following situations when caring for someone with symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a face mask should be worn if a distance of 2 metres cannot be maintained if contact is necessary, then gloves, an apron and a face mask should be worn eye protection if a risk assessment determines that there is a risk of fluids entering the eye, for example, from coughing, spitting or vomiting 			WLY	Oct 2021
		<p>Asymptomatic Testing – Staff Staff will be instructed to continue to carry out twice weekly LFT testing at home until further notice.</p>			GSM	Aug 2021

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			Any staff testing positive on LFT will self-isolate and get a PCR test				
			<p>Asymptomatic Testing – Pupils</p> <p>Further testing of students will take place On 5th and 6th January Following this students should continue with twice weekly Lateral Flow testing at home.</p> <p>Any pupil testing positive on LFT will self-isolate and get a PCR test.</p> <p>LFD Testing for Household Contacts</p> <p>Staff and students who live with someone who has Covid-19 should complete daily lateral flow tests before coming into school unless exempt. Testing should start from either the day the household member became unwell with Covid-19 or tested positive. They should continue this testing for 10 days.</p>		This will be reviewed at the end of September	GSM	Jan 2022
	H		<p>Child or adult becomes symptomatic on site</p> <p>Any child or adult who displays symptoms whilst on site will be;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sent home and advised to get a PCR test • advised to self-isolate pending the result of their PCR test <p>Whilst a child is awaiting collection, they will be moved, to an enclosed area where they can be isolated.</p> <p>Where it is not possible to isolate them they will be moved to an area which is at least 2 metres away from other people.</p> <p>The isolation area, and any bathroom facilities they may have used whilst waiting to be collected, will be cleaned and disinfected</p>	M	Advice is given to families/staff not to travel home on public transport if symptomatic.	Student Services	Aug 2021
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			using standard cleaning products before being used by anyone else			
	H	Educational Visits Educational Day Visits and Domestic Residential Visits are organised with consideration of hygiene requirements and other controls to reduce the risk of transmission of covid 19. International visits will not take place until further notice. .		M	Visits have their own separate risk assessment The school reviews the measures in place for any service on an educational visit (day or residential) provided by a 3 rd party supplier	BWA Sept 2021
		Contact Tracing Contact tracing will be undertaken by NHS Test and Trace The school will co-operate with NHS T&T if contacted by them for assistance in identifying close contacts. Close contacts of a positive case will be advised to take a PCR test Close contacts of a positive case who have not been double vaccinated in the UK and are over the age of 18yrs and 4 months will be required to isolate for 10 days Children under the age of 18ys and 4 months will not be required to isolate if identified as a contact of a positive case. Adults who have been double vaccinated in the UK will not be required to isolate if identified as a contact of a positive case.				NHS Sept 2021
	H	Outbreak In the event of several positive cases in the school setting the school will liaise with the DfE and Tameside Public Health		M	If instructed by the Director of Public Health, The school will implement the measures (as	PW/WL Aug 2021

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					deemed applicable) within their Covid 19 risk assessment which has been in place prior to step 4 of the roadmap		
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Review Date	Reviewed By	Amendment
26 th July 2021	WJL	
18 th October 2021	WJL	
10 th December 2021	WJL	

Risk Ratings	Example impact (Including but not limited to)
High	Likely to happen and likely to result in the fatality of one or more individuals. Potential for a frequently occurring serious and life threatening injury
Medium	Unlikely to happen but if it did it would certainly result in at least minor illness, injury or equipment damage. Could occasionally result in a serious injury, illness or equipment damage. Although rarely, could result in death or serious and life threatening injuries.
Low	Unlikely to occur but if it does it is likely to result in minor illness, injury or equipment damage and could, but is unlikely to, result in a significant injury, illness or equipment damage with over 3 days absence