

Dear Principals of Indian and Pakistani schools

Greetings

With reference to the latest announcements of closing the schools in the UAE, the academic year of all Indian and Pakistani schools will end on Sunday 8/03/2020. All Indian and Pakistani schools are expected to follow the relevant procedures as per their curriculum type:

First: Indian curriculum schools:

1. Kindergarten to Grade 9 plus Grade 11: End of academic year from Sunday 8/03/2020.

Schools are expected to calculate the average grade for students during the 2019/2020 academic year for the subjects that students have not yet set exams for.

2. Grades 10 and 12: School must make sure to finish all the Board Exams **(CBSE, Kerala, ICSE)** according to the dates specified by other examinations board. Schools must carefully follow and abide by all health and safety procedures during the period of exams as mentioned in point 3.

Second: Pakistan Curriculum schools:

1. Kindergarten to Grade 8: End of academic year from Sunday 8/03/2020. Schools are expected to calculate the average grade for students during the 2019/2020 academic year for the subjects that students have not yet set exams for.

2. Grades 9 to 12: School must make sure to finish the Board Exams based on the dates specified by other examination board. Schools must carefully follow and abide by all health and safety procedures during the period of exams as mentioned in point 3.

Third: Health and safety procedures that must be followed and applied during the Indian and Pakistani Board exams:

- Sanitize all exam halls before the arrival of students and after they are dismissed according to the approved procedures and regulations.
- Organize students within exam halls in small separated groups which should not exceed more than 15 students per hall.
- Prevent any direct contact between students.
- Dismiss students from school immediately after they have completed their exams.
- Take all the precautionary measures, that guarantee the health and safety of all students.
- Provide full time medical staff (Doctor and Nurse) during the entire period of the exam. The medical staff must monitor every student, tracking their health, and in case of any student experiencing any symptoms, they should immediately be sent home.
- Suspend all school transportation during the period of exams and have parents pick up and drop off their children.

Fourth: Future updates

Due to the potential changes in the guidance given by the relevant authorities in regard to the Covid-19 virus, all school principals must continually monitor their emails and remain up to date on any further instructions and restrictions. Immediate actions will need to be taken upon receipt of additional information.

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Best regards,