Chi Yun School 2021-2022

Arrangements on "Vaccine Bubble" &"LeaveHomeSafe"

25th January, 2022 Dear Parents / Guardians,

The Government announced on 4 January 2022 that the implementation of "vaccine bubble" arrangement would be expanded to cover more venues from 24 February 2022 and schools would be covered in the "vaccine bubble" arrangement. The Education Bureau (EDB) informed the school of the details of the "vaccine bubble" arrangement on 20 January 2022.

Implementation Details

Starting from 24 February 2022, save for those exempted¹, all teaching and non-teaching staff, persons providing on-campus services and visitors² of kindergartens, primary and secondary schools (including special schools and the boarding sections and schools offering non-local curriculum), and private schools offering non-formal curriculum (commonly known as "tutorial schools") will be required to present vaccination records of at least the first dose of COVID-19 vaccine prior to their entry into school premises. The aforesaid "vaccine bubble" arrangement does not apply to students.

For those exempted personnel who have not received COVID-19 vaccine, they are still required to conduct COVID-19 tests once every three days. The specimens must be obtained from combined nasal and throat swabs, and not collected through self-testing kits. Results from deep throat saliva tests or rapid antigen tests are not accepted. In other words, guardians who are exempted must show their valid medical certificate and negative test result in 3 days before entering the campus.

¹ Exemption from the requirement will be granted to (a) those who are medically unfit for COVID-19 vaccination as supported by a valid medical certificate; and (b) pregnant staff with prior exemption granted by schools on a case-by-case basis.

² Teaching staff include principals, teachers and teaching assistants. Non-teaching staff include but are not limited to school executive and clerical staff, janitors, cooks, school bus, school light bus drivers and escorts (commonly known as nannies), laboratory technicians, brailling staff, teacher assistants, workshop attendants, artisans, social workers, educational psychologists, speech therapists, physiotherapists, occupational therapists, occupational therapy assistants, nurses, wardens, the related grades of boarding section staff such as social work officers, social work assistants and welfare workers. Persons providing on-campus services include, for example, interest class instructors, contractors and maintenance workers. Visitors to school campuses include, for example, volunteers, parents and caregivers.

Upon implementation of the above-mentioned arrangement, all teaching and non-teaching staff, persons providing on-campus services and other visitors to a school must comply with all the requirements under the related arrangement (also covering exempted personnel who have to undergo regular testing and provide proofs), or else they will not be allowed entry to the school premises.

Other Administrative Arrangements

For the time being, the EDB request our school to promptly set up QR codes for "LeaveHomeSafe". All teaching and non-teaching staff, persons providing oncampus services and other visitors to a school should use the mobile application each time they enter school premises by 24 February and thereafter (except for exempted personnel to use "LeaveHomeSafe"). Students entering school premises can be exempted.

We hereby advise that all guardians should install the "LeaveHomeSafe" in order to enter the school. Thank you for your attention. If you have any further enquiries, please feel free to contact class teacher (Tel: 2386 2010).

Yours faithfully,

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