

Parents and Guardians

The spread of COVID-19 in Hokkaido has slowed, and the number of new cases is currently on the decline. However, the pandemic is not over, and we must still continue to be alert and exercise caution.

As schools will open for the new semester under these circumstances, we ask for your continued cooperation to protect the children from risk of infection. Please continue to check your child's temperature every morning and night, and keep them home from school if they show any symptoms.

Safety precautions will be taken both during class and other school-related activities, such as making efforts to avoid the creation of high-risk zones (places with 1) poor ventilation, 2) dense crowds of people, and 3) conversation or projected voices in close proximity). In addition, measures such as ensuring adequate air flow, proper hand-washing and cough etiquette, and requiring everyone, including the school staff, to wear masks will be taken.

We ask all parents and guardians to ensure their children wear masks to school. At the present time, purchasing masks is difficult, so we also ask for the help of each household and the PTA to either assist in the making of home-made masks, or if you are able, donate masks to your child's school. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

【References】 (From MEXT's "Children's Learning Support Site")

*Japanese only

- Let's try! COVID-19 Prevention Anyone Can Do!
<https://youtu.be/219-0tHGje8>
- How to Make Home-made Masks
https://www.mext.go.jp/a_menu/ikusei/gakusyushien/mext_00460.html
- How to Wash Cloth Masks
<https://www.meti.go.jp/press/2019/03/20200319009/20200319009.html>

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