



Parents' Guide

How does KABS ensure my child's safety?

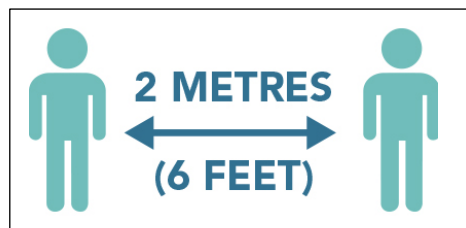
KABS will firmly maintain the safety measures following the Kuwait Ministry of Education (MOE) reopening guidelines for the academic year 2021-22.

Safety measures:

- Physical Distancing
- Masks
- Hand Hygiene
- Watch for COVID-19 Symptoms
- Food and drinks
- Student Groups
- Moving to online learning in the event of COVID-19 positive cases

Physical Distancing

Students must maintain a physical distance of 2-meter from other students, staff, and visitors.



All staff members needing access to multiple student groups will maintain a 2-meter distance from others.



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Masks

Your child is expected to wear a mask throughout the school day, except if they:

- Are in Kindergarten
- Have a medical condition
 - In case of a specific medical condition, you are expected to provide a medical certificate or other relevant documentation and have your child wear a face shield instead.

Watching for COVID-19 Symptom

To stop the spread of COVID-19, KABS staff is trained and will ensure taking immediate actions if someone is found with the following signs.

- Fever or chills (temperature over 37.5° C)
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

Students showing the above symptoms will be transferred to the isolation room under the supervision of the school nurse. Depending on the severity of the case, the school nurse will decide to call parents or an ambulance.





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Hand Hygiene

Students are required to clean their hands frequently during the school day in the correct manner. It is preferred to wash them with soap and water for no less than 12 seconds or to be rubbed with an approved hand sanitizer (such as alcohol-based hand sanitizer of 70% or no less than 60%) if possible. KABS requires and encourages a strict hand hygiene routine among students. Teachers will allow adequate time for hand cleaning/sanitizing during lessons.

Food and drinks

Currently, the KABS canteen is closed, students are required to bring their healthy food and water. Students will eat in their classrooms at the study desks while maintaining hygiene and physical distancing. Additionally, they will not be allowed to share food or utensils.

Student Groups

To meet the legal requirement for social distancing and improve contact tracing, reduce transmission risk, and avoid unnecessary shifts to online learning, KABS will arrange Grade 5-12 students into different groups for alternating days at school and online. Each class section will be divided into half so that each student is assigned to be at school only on "A days" or only on "B days."

Moving to online learning in the Case of Covid-19 Cases

KABS will take all necessary measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19. However, KABS may move a class/classes to online learning only if COVID-19 cases are detected in school.

How will Academic Quality be Assured?

This semester, standardized assessments will be administered for students in Grade 3- 8 to identify learning gaps.

- You will be provided specific guidelines ahead of time for online and on-site assessments.
- All your child's assessments will be conducted on-site.

What about student transportation?

Currently, KABS is not providing any transportation for students.

Am I allowed to enter the school building?





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You are allowed in the school building if you have an approved appointment from the School Counselor. AT the school entrance, you will need to present the following:

- Proof of vaccination
- If you are visiting the school, with your other children.
 - Show evidence of vaccination before entering the school if they are aged 12 and above
 - Show evidence of a negative PCR test only (valid for 96 hours) if they are below 12 years of age

Students Arrival and Dismissal

To minimize large gatherings, the arrival and dismissal of students will continue to be at their designated gates. Please note down the following gates information for the smooth arrival and dismissal at KABS.

	Gate
High School Boys	6
Middle School Boys	5
Middle School Girls	4
Grade 1 to Grade 4 Boys/Girls	3
High School Girls	2
Kindergarten (KGs)	1

Pick-up/drop-off

Parents can drop-off their children in front of the building at the designated main gate from 7:00 am to 8:00 am; KABS will not accept students arriving later than 8:00 am. The pick-up time for students is from 1:50 pm to 2:05 pm.

As per the instruction of the Kuwait Ministry of Education, KABS will not allow parents to enter the school building. One parent/driver/guardian may accompany the students for drop-off/pick-up until the entry gate. However, every parent/ guardian/ driver needs to maintain social distancing, specifically when students are in line to enter or depart from the school building.



Important Checklist

- Check your child for COVID-19 related symptoms every morning and keep him/her home if he/she is not feeling well
- If your child's test is positive for COVID-19, inform the school as soon as possible to ensure adequate contact tracing
- If your children are in direct contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19, please follow the isolation guidelines provided by the Kuwait Ministry of Health.
- Please ensure that your child has a valid negative PCR test before leaving the house if the school requires it
- Please make sure that your child uniform is washed on daily bases
- Ensure that your child has extra masks
- Ensure that he/she has a personal sanitizer
- Ensure that he/she has a filled bottle of water
- If your child is attending school via on-learning, please ensure his/her access to a needed device, a peaceful learning environment, and that he/she attends and engages in all lessons

