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## Lydenburg High School

### Covid-19 Safety measures

#### Huis de Souza and Keethuis

Please take note of the following measures to ensure the safety of learners in the hostel during the Covid-19 pandemic.

These measures have been studied and approved by Dr J Markram [MPhar Med Pret (2018), MMed (Oet G) Orange Free State (2005), MBCHB Oranje Vrystaat (1997)]

#### 1. General

- Every person entering the hostel premises must wear a mask at all times.
- Every learner must be in possession of 2 masks. The mask that was worn during the day should be washed in the evening and left to dry in the learner's room. The second mask can be worn the following day.
- Hands must be washed on a regular basis (20 seconds) with soap or using a disinfectant.
- Learners must maintain a distance of at least 1.5 metres between one another at all times.
- No games (soccer, touch rugby, etc.) will be allowed, as it will render the safe physical distance useless.
- Learners will not be allowed to go to town. A learner may only go to town with written consent from a parent/guardian (Whatsapp), and only for a VALID reason.
- Food deliveries will be allowed, but learners must always abide by social distancing rules.

#### 2. Hostel corridors and accommodation arrangements:

- Every corridor will be provided with disinfectant at the entrance (spirits and glycerine mixture) that learners must use to disinfect their hands.
- Every learner will be allocated single rooms. If necessary, "Suid- and Weshuis" will be opened at De Souza and 'Gang 4' at Keethuis.
- Learners are not allowed to enter each other's rooms at any time.
- Only learners that stay in the hostel will be allowed on the hostel grounds. No friends or other people will be permitted.



### 3. Dining Hall:

- Every learner must disinfect their hands before entering the dining hall. A disinfection station will be placed at every entrance to the dining hall. Strict control will be exercised in this regard.
- Dining sessions will be split into 2 sessions of 20 minutes each, so that there are not too many learners in the dining hall at once.
- Only four learners are allowed per table.
- Teachers on duty will make sure that physical distancing between learners is kept while learners are awaiting the start of their dining session.
- Learners may bring their own cutlery if they so wish, but they **HAVE TO**, without exception, wash their cutlery after every meal (a basin with warm water and soap will be available in the kitchen). However, a learner that does not wash his/her cutlery will immediately lose that privilege and will have to use the hostel's cutlery.

### 4. Bathrooms:

#### De Souza:

- Only two boys may use the showers at a time. The middle shower may not be used when more than one shower is being used at a time.
- Disinfectant will be placed in every toilet cubicle. The seat, handle and hands must be disinfected after use.
- No learner may drink water directly from a tap. Learners must use their own bottles for this purpose.
- No personal hygiene items may be left in the bathrooms, e.g. wash cloths, soap, etc.

#### Keethuis:

- Only 2 learners may use the bathroom at one time and times will be regulated with timetables.
- Toilets may be used at any time, but learners must disinfect the seat, handle and hands after use. Disinfectant will be provided in every toilet cubicle.
- No learner may drink water directly from a tap. Learners must use their own bottles for this purpose.
- No personal hygiene items may be left in the bathrooms, e.g. wash cloths, soap, etc.

### 5. Study Times:

- Every learner will study in his/her own room. The teacher on duty will move between houses/corridors to ensure good order and silence.
- Learners will not, under any circumstances, be allowed to leave their rooms during study sessions. Every learner will remain in his/her room for the entire duration of each study session (2 sessions of 1 hour respectively)

6. Protocol followed when a learner presents with symptoms:

- When a learner presents with any of the following symptoms, their parents/guardians will be contacted immediately in order for the learner to undergo the necessary tests.
- A learner with symptoms **MUST** remain isolated in his/her room until his/her parents/guardians are able to collect him/her.
- Learners will only be allowed to return to the hostel if a negative Covid-19 test can be produced, or after an isolation period away from the hostel of at least 21 days.
- Should the Covid-19 test be positive, the Department of Health will advise on further steps.

**Symptoms:**

1. **Dry cough**
2. **Fever of 38°C or higher**
3. **Sore throat**
4. **Body aches**
5. **Affected sense of taste or smell**

**NB:** Any hostel learner that does not comply with any of the Covid-19 safety measures, will be given **one** warning and the parents/guardians will be informed immediately.

Should a learner disregard a Covid-19 safety regulation for a **second** time, the learner will immediately be suspended from the hostel for 21 days. It will then be the responsibility of the parents to get the learner to and from school every day.

The hostel management takes the above safety measures very seriously and we will act without hesitation in order to keep the hostel as safe as possible for every learner.

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