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## Re-opening plan 2020/2021 – Live Webinar

**10:00am Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

**(a recording of the webinar will also be shared with parents)**

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Reopening Plans August 2020



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Questions

KHDA Approved Plan

Questionnaire

Follow-up Videos

# Regulations for the Reopening of Schools in Dubai



GFS is committed to reopening the school for face-to-face lessons. However, at this time we must follow the guidelines and regulations in relation to;

### **Health & Safety**

- Sanitisation and cleaning schedule
- Physical/Social distancing
- School Transportation
- Access to areas of the school



### **Class size**

- Groups of no more than 10 students in Foundation Stage and Year 1
- Physical distancing allows approx. 16 students in each classroom for Years 2 to Year 12.
- Year 13 learning spaces will accommodate all Year 13 students to attend on a daily basis.

# GFS – KHDA approved ‘Blended Learning Model’

**Blended Learning – A combination of digital delivery along with ‘on-campus’ instruction.**

- Option 1 – Take advantage of in-school learning opportunities and access lessons remotely on days when at home.
- Option 2 – Full-time remote learning at home.

# Health & Safety @ GFS

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1. Entry onto school site
2. Screening and Emergency Plan
3. Cleaning
4. Restrictions & Physical Distancing Arrangements
5. Food & Beverages
6. School Transportation
7. School Premises





# Reopening Plan

## **Foundation Stage & Year 1**

Groups of no more than 10 students in each class/group  
10 day cycle – Day 1 all remote  
Days 2 to 10 – 1 day out of 3 in school

## **Year 2 to Year 12**

10 day cycle – Approx 50% of class in school on alternate days

## **Year 13**

All Year 13 students may attend school full-time, accessing lessons through their own devices with face-to-face support.

*Approved reopening plan will be shared in full on D6*

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# On-Campus Learning

- Students will remain in one classroom, corridor or learning space throughout the day
- Following full timetable in real-time
- Specialist teachers will move around to deliver their lessons
- No practical PE lessons
- Students may need to access some live teaching through their devices online
- When devices are brought to school, please ensure these are fully charged every day.



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# Remote Learning

- All lessons will be delivered synchronously
- Full timetable, in real-time
- Access to live teaching (classrooms fitted with webcams)
- Interaction with teacher and classmates
- Resources available through MS Teams/Seesaw
- Regular updates on child's progress
- Project based if applicable



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# Remote Learning Evaluation

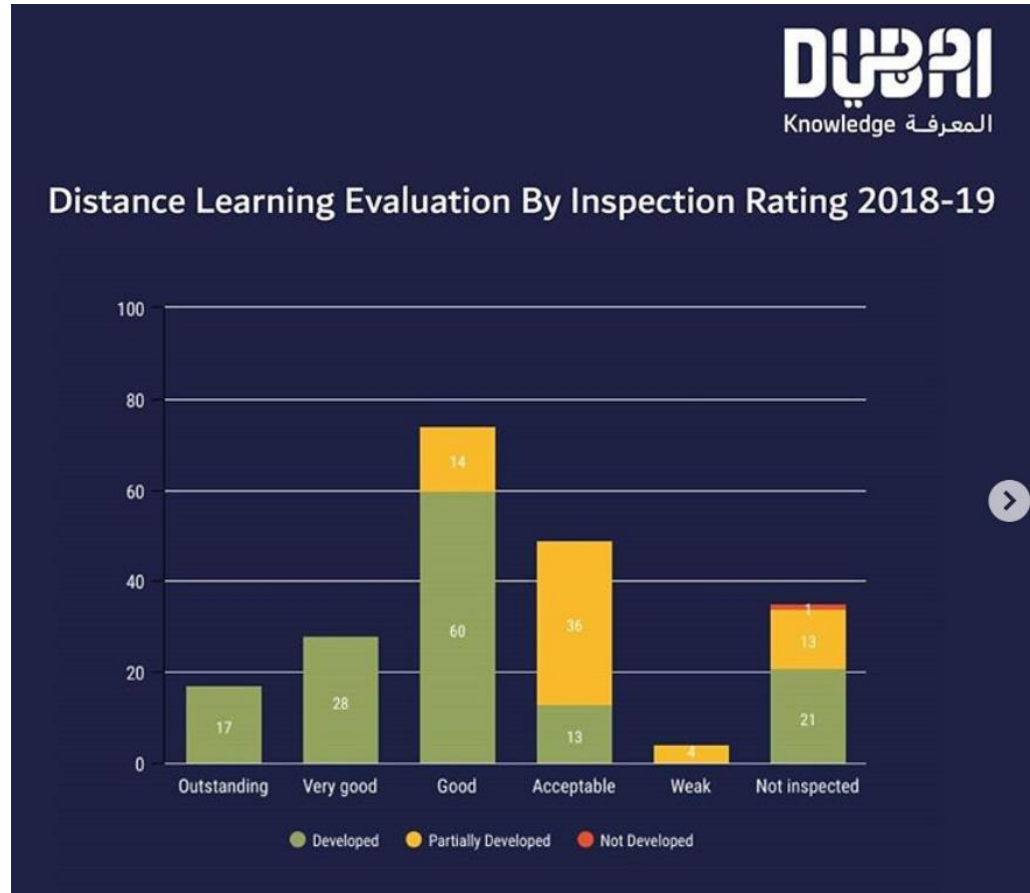
## GFS - Developed

A	B	C
Students' distance learning and wellbeing	Teaching and monitoring students' learning	Leading and managing students' learning
Attendance and participation	Planning and delivery	Agility
Safeguarding	Sharing intended learning outcomes	Contingency
Learning opportunities	Distance learning programme	Communication and engagement
Equity of access	Monitoring and assessing learning	Resources management
Wellbeing		

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# School Timings

- 7:00 – Gates & doors to the school open – registration opens
- 7:40 – National Anthem
- 7.45 – Registration closes
- 7:50 – Lessons begin
- 2:20 – End of school day
- 2:30 – Buses depart



**Parents of Foundation Stage students may take advantage of an extended day when their children are in school.**

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Wellbeing

# Wellbeing

GFS understands the importance of both physical and mental wellbeing for students, parents and school staff.

- Please take your child's temperature every morning before they come to school and do not send them if they are unwell or have a temperature above 37.5°C
- Ensure your child brings plenty of water to last them all day when in school. We also recommend they bring their own lunch and healthy snacks.
- Facemasks are compulsory for all staff and students over 6 years of age. Please ensure your child understands how to wear and store their masks safely.



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# Wellbeing

- While there are no practical PE lessons, teachers may take students outside for short periods, weather permitting.
- Uniform must be worn when attending school, however neckties are not required.
- Teachers will carefully monitor the amount of screen-time with text books and workbooks should be kept at home to support remote learning
- Opportunities for organised, small group interaction through online portals under teacher supervision.
- Access to school counselors and child safeguarding leaders
- Zero tolerance of bullying or negative behaviour in school or online.
- Revised Parent School Contract to reflect the Blended Learning  
· KHDA directives. (Parents must agree to all)



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