# Information to the guardians of grade school students ahead of the new school year

As the summer holidays draw to a close, we are looking forward to seeing our students again on 18 August. At this point in time, all classes will be held in school – meaning that remote classes are no longer relevant for either grade school or upper-secondary school classes.

In terms of the spread of COVID-19 in Karlshamn, levels are low at present and it's our ambition to keep it that way. Schools will continue to comply with the Public Health Agency's recommendations and we ask that all students and guardians help us by doing the same.

### **COVID-19 recommendations**

- Stay at home even though you are only feeling slightly ill since there is no way of knowing if your condition is related to COVID-19. This applies even if you have had COVID-19 earlier or have been vaccinated.
- The Public Health Agency recommends that adults and children aged 13 and older who have COVID-19 symptoms test themselves through a PCR test. This recommendation applies even for those who have been vaccinated. While waiting to be tested and for your test results, you should act as if you have contracted COVID-19. This means that you should stay at home, avoid close contact with others and wash your hands frequently.
- Guardians of children between the ages of 10 and 12 who have COVID-19 symptoms should contact the healthcare clinic where the child is registered for testing.
- Healthy children and young people may attend school, after-school care centres or uppersecondary school as usual while waiting for the test results for family members.
- Everyone in the household, both sick and healthy, should stay at home if anyone has contracted COVID-19, except for those who are vaccinated or who have no symptoms. Your healthcare provider will contact you and give you further instructions.
- Students who are 16 years old and have an appointment to get a COVID-19 vaccination will be permitted to leave school to get vaccinated after notifying their class mentor.
- Students who have been abroad prior to the start of the new school year are recommended to take a PCR test after being abroad. Click the link below for more information and contact the school.

https://www.folkhalsomyndigheten.se/the-public-health-agency-of-sweden/communicable-disease-control/covid-19/if-you-are-planning-to-travel/recommendations-for-those-travelling/

• The recommendations to stay at home when you are ill, maintain a safe distance and wash your hands still apply.

# *Unikum* and the *Unikum* family application

Grade schools in the municipality of Karlshamn use *Unikum* for proficiency follow-ups (assessments) and to send important information from the school to the guardians. By installing the *Unikum* family application on your device, guardians can receive notifications and conveniently access the school's website to, for example, view the schedule. The link below provides more information and help on how to download the application to your device (information in Swedish only). Info Unikum att skicka till vh - utskrivbar - Google Docs

#### Self-service

For your convenience, we have placed the most common forms and e-services (available in Swedish only) on the municipality's website under <u>Grundskola - självservice - Karlshamns kommun</u>.

#### **Dexter**

Guardians can report a student's absence in Dexter. Refer to the class list and change your contact details.

If your child is ill and cannot attend school, please report the absence before the school day begins. To report the absence, guardians can use Dexter online (use your electronic Bank ID) or the IST Dexter application.

Please note that if you are unable – for whatever reason – to report the absence via Dexter, you must contact the school to tell them that your child is ill.

You will need an account to login to Dexter. Go to Dexter's website to apply for an account under the heading "Kontohantering" (account processing). Information in Swedish only. <a href="Dexter-Loggain (dexter-ist.com">Dexter - Loggain (dexter-ist.com)</a>.com)

## **Comments and complaints**

If you have comments or complaints about something in the school, please contact the staff at the school first. The link below provides more information (in Swedish only) about how to do so. Synpunkter och klagomål på förskola eller skola - Karlshamns kommun

We look forward to a new school year and a productive cooperation between guardians and school.

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