

What will change at the Europagymnasium Auhof on November 3rd?

Lower level classes (1st – 4th grades):

The school traffic light is on "Orange" and this has the following effects on the lower classes:

- Non-binding exercises will no longer take place, whereas binding exercises such as social learning, drama, digital basic education will.
- In music lessons singing will only be done with a mask.
- In Physical Education and sport there will be no swimming lessons; no changing before gymnastics; and movement outdoors or indoors will take place at a distance This subject is coeducational.

Instruction, i.e. the class group is retained.

- There are no school events and excursions

In addition to the previous hygiene measures (mouth and nose protection outside of class, washing hands, airing), the following rules apply:

- Please move as directly as possible to your class in the morning. Avoid gathering in front of or outside the school building. This also applies to the buffet/snack bar. Please keep a distance of two meters from other students here.
- Please keep to the right in the corridor and in the stairwell as if you were driving a car.
- Social Distancing or a mask are also recommended within the classroom if you are not sitting in your seat.
- Stay in your class unless you are headed to the lavatory, the Buffet or the next classroom. This also applies to the lunch break for the time being. Don't forget to regularly air out the classroom.
- Don't use visors!

Upper Classes (5th to 8th grades):

Basically, distance learning will be used, but there are some exceptions:

“German as a Foreign Language” will take place in face-to-face classes.

- IB courses that are not major subjects will also take place as face-to-face lessons.
- The same applies to the compulsory elective subjects in the 7th and 8th grades.

Examinations may only be given this week and the next. If necessary, preparatory lessons can be held in attendance before a school assignment in the afternoon (from 2 p.m.). The group size must not exceed 16 students.

Changeover:

On Tuesday, November 3, there will be a homeroom lesson for the upper classes during second period, in which the students will learn more about the course of the distance learning phase. For this week, a work package will be made available for each subject and from next week there will be up to three units of lessons per day via video or chat. Furthermore, they should take all teaching materials they need home with them from school. Anyone who needs a laptop to borrow from school should contact Ms. Breuer in the office

Distance learning process - a brief overview:

At the Europagymnasium Auhof we use the learning platforms Eduvidual and MS Teams interlinked. For quick communication between students and teachers we use emails and MS teams (if a course has been created). These communication channels have already been prepared and practiced with the students.

We are available to answer any questions you may have. In most subjects there will be a video conference per week and subject, which will be entered in the organizer in the class course on Eduvidual by the Saturday of the previous week. We try not to hold more than three video conferences per day and class.

In addition, there is a weekly work package for each subject with clear information on deadlines and submission options. The students are obliged to take part in distance learning and video conferences (attendance will be taken). They are encouraged to find out about the video conferences for the coming week on a weekly basis

How long do these changes last?

This procedure at the Europagymnasium is expected to apply until November 30th. Changes can result, even at short notice, with new official requirements. We will communicate this as quickly as possible and hope for your patience and cooperation in implementing new specifications. In most cases, we are working feverishly behind the scenes to organize a smooth process and high-quality lessons. Ideally, information is only sent to the school website at the end of a process of meetings, planning phases and revisions. We reserve the right to evaluate the system presented here after a start-up phase and, if necessary, adapt or change it.

We thank all members of the school community for their commitment and their willingness to master the challenges in this difficult time together with us. The positive experiences we had during the first lockdown last spring may be an incentive for us to work together in peace and with confidence for the well-being of the children and young people.