

## Guidelines for Travelling to School on Public Transport – May 2020

From 27 April onwards, masks are compulsory when travelling to school using public transport. It is recommended that you wear a community mask, which are simple mouth and nose masks, such as self-sewn masks made of cotton. These have to be procured or produced by each student or family and will not be provided by school.

Please consider whether you really have to use the ÖPNV/ public transport or whether you can safely travel to school on foot or by bicycle.

Try to avoid crowds when entering and leaving the bus, train or tram and make sure that you keep your distance even at bus, train and tram stops. If separate boarding and alighting is not possible, the following applies: first let the passengers alight with sufficient distance and then board. If there are several students entering at one time please take your seats in an orderly fashion - start at the rear of the vehicle and sit on the window seats all the way to the front.

If possible, always leave at least one seat free between passengers, even if you wear a community mask. Avoid conversations with other people whilst travelling.

When using public transport, do not board when the corona-conditioned maximum capacity has been reached. If it is not possible to sit in a seat without being directly next to another traveller please wait for the next bus, train or tram.

Take your seat before the vehicle departs and do not leave your seat until you have reached your destination to avoid unnecessary contact with handrails and handles. Wearing gloves can be helpful.

Please follow the instructions of the operating personnel such as the driver or ticket collector.

Only operate the door opening buttons in public transport if the door does not open automatically.

Do not eat or drink anything on public transport.



Whilst travelling avoid touching other students and passengers and avoid touching your face as much as possible in order not to absorb any pathogens through the mucous membranes of your eyes, nose or mouth.

Follow the recommendation to clean smartphones / displays regularly and do not let other students handle your devices.

Whilst travelling remember to observe the coughing and sneezing guidelines. Cough or sneeze into the crook of your arm - even if you are wearing a community mask. When coughing or sneezing please turn away from other passengers.

On arrival at school please wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Remember to observe a 1.5 m distance from other students when waiting for or using the rest rooms.