SUNWAY EDUCATION GROUP

COVID-19 ADVISORY 55: TRANSITION TO ENDEMICITY #REOPENING SAFELY UPDATES

"The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members" - Coretta Scott King, author

Dear Students, Parents & Staff of the Sunway Education Group Community,

- Recently, the Minister of Health announced updated COVID-19 Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)
 which will come into effect from 1 May 2022. These updates mark a significant step in Malaysia's transition
 to endemicity.
- In addition to the recent announcements in Advisory 54 (on SEG's COVID-19 Booster Vaccination Drive and updates to Student Events/ Activities), the SEG COVID-19 Management Committee wishes to provide the following updates which shall govern our campus operations.



3. Positive Cases:

- a. Individuals who are COVID-19 positive must quarantine for 7 days.
- b. Quarantine may be ended earlier, subject to the following:



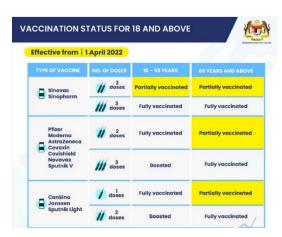
- i. Testing **negative** on a **supervised** RTK-Ag COVID-19 from Days 4, 5 or 6.
- ii. The **RTK-Ag test must be supervised** by a registered healthcare professional, who will upload your result onto MySejahtera. You may end quarantine once your MySejahtera status is updated to show that you are no longer positive.
- iii. If you test positive, you must continue your quarantine until Day 7 and will be able to end your quarantine once your MySejahtera risk status is updated.
- c. If you choose not to test at all, you must quarantine until Day 7 and will be **able to end your quarantine once your MySejahtera risk status is updated**.
- 4. Close Contacts: In our hope to keep our campus environment safe, we request the following:
 - a. Asymptomatic individuals (i.e. not exhibiting symptoms such as fever, flu, sore throat or loss of smell/ taste) are not required to quarantine but must take an RTK-Antigen self-test on Days 1 and 3 as a precautionary measure.
 - b. **Symptomatic** individuals (i.e. experiencing symptoms such as fever, flu, sore throat or loss of smell/ taste) to self-quarantine for at least 3 days and to take an RTK-Antigen self-test on Day 1 (onset of the symptoms) and Day 3 (or 2 days after onset of symptoms). If the RTK-Antigen self-test is negative on Day 3, you will can return campus.
 - c. **Observe Preventative Measures**: All close contacts are encouraged to strictly observe preventative measures for at least 5 days from the date of exposure to the positive case. Preventative measures entail:
 - i. Wear face mask when in public spaces;
 - ii. Avoid crowded places;
 - iii. Ensure physical distancing;
 - iv. Be in well ventilated areas.

5. Wearing of Face Masks & Physical Distancing:

- a. The wearing of face masks for all individuals entering campus grounds (including classrooms, lobby foyer, field for non-sporting reasons, cafeteria etc.) will continue to be **COMPULSORY** at all times.
- b. Masks may be taken off in certain situations (i.e. when eating, exercising, playing sports, giving a speech or performing on stage).
- c. All physical spaces will be allowed to be used at 100% capacity.

6. Vaccination Status:

- All individuals, regardless of vaccination status, are allowed to enter campus.
- b. However, students/ staff who are not fully vaccinated or boosted will still be required to conduct weekly RTK-Antigen testing in order to enter campus for teaching and learning purposes, as guided by the National COVID-19 Testing Strategy.



7. MySejahtera Check-In:



- a. As of 1 May, MySejahtera Check-ins are no longer mandatory to enter our Sunway campuses. However, you **must show your MySejahtera status** to the security personnel at the entry points. Individuals with 'High Risk' status on MySejahtera or those under Home Surveillance Order (HSO) are prohibited from entering campus.
- b. Staff and students are required to continue to scan their Sunway IDs at the terminals upon entry.

CONCLUSION

- 8. While these update SOPs bring us ever closer to pre-COVID-19 times, it is important that we continue to observe them diligently and ensure that we maintain good hygiene practices.
- 9. Self-regulation and being mindful of community interests are also vital aspects of the new SOPs. For instance, despite the wearing of face masks in outdoor spaces being made optional, you are strongly encouraged to wear face masks when you are around high-risk individuals (including the elderly, immunocompromised or those with comorbidities).
- 10. Allow me to take this opportunity to wish our Muslim staff and students a Selamat Hari Raya Aidilfitri. Eid Mubarak and Maaf Zahir Batin. Safe travels to those travelling back to their hometowns and wishing everyone a good break.

Thank you and take care. #LindungDiriLindungSemua #ReopeningSafely

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