

COVID -19 Newsletter for primary and secondary schools, and parents

In this newsletter, we will address the following topics:

1. Corona measures start of school year primary and Secondary schools
2. Testing before the new school year starts
3. Testing opportunities
4. 'The stay at home or not' decision tree has been changed
5. Download these Corona apps!
6. Have doubts or questions about the corona vaccination?

1. Corona measures start school year Primary and Secondary schools

From the start of the new school year, the following national rules apply for primary and secondary education "[Start new school year primary and secondary education](#)". (Dutch) (attachment in English)

2. Testing before the new school year begins

The national recommendation is that schoolchildren, students, and education personnel be tested for the coronavirus before the start of the new school year. The testing recommendation also applies to (fully) vaccinated [Testen op corona | Coronavirus COVID-19 | Rijksoverheid.nl](#) (Dutch)

[Coronavirus self-tests | Coronavirus COVID-19 | Government.nl](#)

3. Testing Opportunities

a. Use a (free) self-test: All families in the Netherlands will receive between 10/8-1/9 a letter from the government with a unique code. With this code 2 free self-tests can be ordered per family:

[Ordering free COVID self-tests | Coronavirus COVID-19 | Government.nl](#)

Note: don't use a self-test in case of complaints, make an appointment at the GGD test street!

[Getting tested if you have symptoms | Coronavirus COVID-19 | Government.nl](#)

b. Free drop-in: From Friday 20 to Sunday 22 August, children, schoolchildren and young people attending primary and secondary schools can also be tested without complaints and without an appointment at our XL test lane at P4, Loevesteinse Randweg 110, Schiphol Airport. Opening hours from 8.00-18.00.

c. Make an appointment for a free test at one of our testing locations. For more info, see: [Testen op COVID-19 | GGD Kennemerland](#)

4. The 'stay at home or not' decision tree has been changed

Children with a cold from age 4 through grade 8 may again attend daycare and school. There are also other changes in the testing policy and the source and contact investigation of the GGD. Therefore, the decision tree has been adjusted. The new version also includes advice for children who have had corona or have been vaccinated. <https://www.boink.info/nieuws/beslisboom-nieuwe-versie-zonder-snottebellen-beleid> (the english version is coming soon)

An updated version is being worked on, it will appear on the above website soon.

5. Download these Corona apps!

[New. The GGD Contact app.](#)

The GGD Contact app helps with the contact investigation of the GGD. You can use the app if a test shows that you are infected with the coronavirus. It is then important that you warn the people with whom you have had contact as soon as possible because they may also be infected.. [Home](#) | [GGD Contact](#)

[The CoronaCheck app.](#)

The app lets you prove that you have been vaccinated, tested negative for corona, or have had a recent corona infection. You can use the CoronaCheck app to access certain locations. And to travel internationally. [CoronaCheck](#)



[CoronaMelder](#)

alerts you after you have been near someone with corona. This way you can prevent infecting people around you. [Voorkom verspreiding, download CoronaMelder](#)

6. Doubts or questions about the corona vaccination?

Kijk dan eens op

- [Corona Vaccinatie Keuzehulp \(coronavaccinatie-keuzehulp.nl\)](#) (Dutch) ofr
- [Vaccinatie tegen het coronavirus | Rijksoverheid.nl](#)
- [Dutch vaccination programme against COVID-19 | Coronavirus COVID-19 | Government.nl](#)
update: children 12 year and older can get an Corona vaccination)
- [Vaccinatie van jongeren van 12 tot en met 17 jaar | Vaccinatie tegen het coronavirus | Rijksoverheid.nl](#) (Dutch)
- Our website [Coronavirus en vaccin | GGD Kennemerland](#)

You can also call the Customer Contact Center of the GGD Kennemerland: 023 789 1631. Available from Monday to Friday from 08.30 - 20.00 hours. Saturday and Sunday from 10.00 - 17.00 hours.

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