

To the Parents of Minokamo City Elementary School
To the Parents of Minokamo City Junior High School
To the Parents of Minokamo City Tomika Town Junior High School Union

Minokamo City Board of Education
Minokamo City and Tomika Town Junior High School Union Board of Education

Counter-response Regarding the Extension of the “Stricter Measures Against Spread of COVID-19 Infection” to the Selected Region/Area

(「まん延防止等重点措置」区域指定期間の再延長を踏まえた対応について)

We would like to express our sincerest gratitude for your understanding and cooperation toward the school’s educational activities.

Since January, the number of Elementary School and Junior High School students also including pre-schoolers infected with COVID-19 has rapidly increased. For this reason, we have worried many of you with the closures of classes.

We would like to inform you that the period of implementation for the “*Stricter Measures Against Spread of COVID-19 Infection*” for this prefecture has been extended again. And the response measures when a student or other has been infected has been changed.

We apologize for the inconvenience and concern caused by repeated changes, but we ask for your understanding and cooperation.

【 Regarding Class Closure (学級閉鎖について) 】

○ Response in case one person is found positive in the class

Until now → All students will stay at their homes as soon as possible. (Class closure)

From now on → Educational activities will resume while thoroughly implementing infection preventive measures such as wearing masks, etc.

※If there is a possibility of close contact with the infected person he/she will quarantine if necessary.

※If multiple people are required to take PCR tests there is a possibility of home quarantine for the subjected students. (Class closure)

○ Response in cases where multiple people are found positive in the same class

Until now → the entire class will already at home quarantine (class closure)

From now on → If there is a possibility that the infection is spreading in the class due to any of the following situations.

① Multiple students were found to be infected in the same class.

② One positive person was found, and multiple students in the same class have symptoms such as undiagnosed colds, etc.

【 Regarding Junior High School Club Activities (中学校部活動について) 】

Until now → Generally prohibited

From now on → Activities will be allowed for 2 hours a day for 4 days on weekdays

※For Saturday and Sunday activities, activities within 3 hours either on Saturday or Sunday will be allowed but only if they will participate in National Tournaments, etc. Or they will participate in Tournaments that can qualify them to a national level within 2 weeks.

The subject and duration of class closures will be determined based on the situation of infection within the school.