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(令和4年5月11日)

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  
Education Division Director - Furukawa Kazuo

## Regarding Educational Activities of Elementary and Junior High school beginning May (小・中学校の5月からの教育活動について)

After a long holiday, school life began in earnest. We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for your understanding and cooperation to the Parents and Guardians who stayed in contact with the school even during this long holiday.

With regard to the Covid-19, the number of infected people who have decreased once has started to increase again, and we are facing the risk of resurgence of infection, which can be said to be the start of the "7th wave". In elementary and junior high schools of the city, the number of infected people increased rapidly from mid-April, and many children were subjected to PCR tests. Many classes were closed and many households were given an order to stay at home.

While considering the condition of infection in the city, the Governor of Gifu Prefecture has indicated the end of April "for preparation in case of resurgence of infection". Based on the guidelines of the Prefectural Board of Education and so on, we will respond as follows.

### Note

#### 1. "In time of the resurgence of infection" countermeasures (when the average number of newly infected person per day exceeds 700 people per week)

「感染再拡大時」(1日当たりの新規陽性者数が1週間平均700人を超えた場合)の対応

##### ● Standards for Class Closure (学級閉鎖の基準)

A class will be closed if any of the following situations are applicable, especially if there is a high chance that the infection has spread within the same class.

- ① If the number of positive persons, symptomatic persons (undiagnosed) and those who has been requested to stay home exceeds 20% of the class in total.
- ② If the Board of Education consider it necessary.

##### ● Period of Class closure (学級閉鎖の期間)

Class closure will be approximately 3 to 5 days including holidays. The Decision will be prior to the consultation with the Board of Education, Schools Doctors, etc.

##### ● About Testing (検査について)

Schools, Kindergartens, Nursery school, etc., basically without doing PCR Test, will be closed entirely depending on the number of infected people, closures will be decided by the schools. (Gifu Prefecture's Policy)

※People who has been requested to stay home are those who had done the following things: "conversations without masks within 1 meter", "eating and drinking facing toward each other", etc.

#### 2. "In time of the resurgence of infection" countermeasures (when the average number of newly infected people per day did not exceed 700 people per week) ⇒ no further changes as of now.

「感染再拡大時」以外(1日当たりの新規陽性者数が1週間平均700人を超えない場合)の対応 ⇒ これまでと変更はありません

※If there are multiple infected people in a class, there are chances of Class closure and PCR test to be conducted if necessary under the guidelines of the health center (*hokenjo*).

#### ◎ Regarding Swimming classes (水泳の授業について)

There will be no Swimming classes to be held this year. (Swimming classes using outside school facilities will also be canceled)

When conducting school activities without wearing masks in the future, it is necessary to put enough distance between students as basic infection prevention measure. Therefore it has been decided to cancel swimming classes since it is difficult to change clothes while maintaining distance to each other especially in such changing rooms and during Classes.