



# International School Bangkok

## Information about COVID-19: Weekly Update (Communication 41)

Dear ISB Community,

### Government Update - International Schools

In our last communication (14 May) we wrote that given the improved COVID-19 situation in Thailand and the reopening of certain sectors, we were hopeful that permission might be given for international schools to open their campuses in June to students. We know that the Office of the Private Education Commission (OPEC) will likely make a proposal to this effect, but we still do not know if and when permission will be given and what the requirements will be.

Should government approval be given with sufficient notice, ISB would aim to open the campus to students from 8-11 June at maximum 50% student capacity. The focus would be on providing closure for students, reconnecting them to the school environment, and letting them say goodbye to teachers and friends who are moving away.

Significant planning has been completed around the health and safety measures necessary for a reopening of our ISB campus whether this is in June or August. These procedures will be posted on the ISB website once we know if we are planning for June 8th or August 10th as some procedures will be different.

### Webinar with ISB Administration - 26 May at 1:00pm

We will hold our third webinar Q&A with the ISB Administration at 1:00pm on Tuesday 26th May. This webinar provides an opportunity for parents to hear from ISB's Administration through a Q&A format. You can access from phone, iPad or computer. To join, you will need to register - please click [here](#). You will be able to type your questions live into the Q&A function and we will do our best to answer as many as possible.

### Opening of School on August 10th 2020

A reminder that ISB is planning to start the school year according to our currently published [2020-2021 calendar](#) - with the first day of school for students on **August 10**.



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We will keep you informed should this change depending on the situation in Thailand and any directives from the government.

Work will continue in order to ensure that all of the systems and processes provide the safest and healthiest environment possible for everyone on campus.

## **Tuition Payments for 2020/21**

A reminder that tuition payments for the first semester of the 2020/21 school year are due by 30th June 2020.

Given current circumstances, we realize that families might be facing financial challenges. Therefore, if you have issues meeting this due date, please reach out to Marc de Vries ([marcd@isb.ac.th](mailto:marcd@isb.ac.th)) and we will try to find a solution.

## **Refunds Transportation and ES Lunches**

Refunds have been calculated for Montri transportation and ES lunches. Our Finance Department has emailed you (or your employer) with details about how to receive the refund. If you have any questions, please contact [invoice@isb.ac.th](mailto:invoice@isb.ac.th)

## **Important Reminders**

- Should someone in your household (or someone you have come into close contact with) test positive for COVID-19, please notify the school immediately
- Should your family choose to temporarily leave Thailand, we ask that you complete the survey that is linked in the [Parent Portal](#).
- This is a reminder that we have a responsibility to fellow members of our ISB, Nichada and global community to practice [social and physical distancing](#) at this time.
- In these difficult times please know that our teachers, administrators, counselors and psychologists are here to support you.

We thank you for your ongoing support of your children's learning and for ISB. If you have any questions please feel free to contact any of us.

Kind regards.

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