

Ashton School

Covid-19 Guidelines Autumn 2020

1. We will follow all guidelines as advised by NPHE and as advised by the Health Protection Centre and the HSE.
2. A designated Covid officer will be present during classes. This person will ensure all necessary hygiene and other guidelines are adhered to in relation to Covid 19.
3. **Reduced Class Sizes:** Where face to face attendance is available, a maximum number of 8 or 10 students will be permitted in classrooms depending on the size of the room.
4. **Hand Hygiene & Sanitisation:** We will provide hand sanitisation stations in each classroom. All classrooms and facilities used during adult education classes will be sanitised before class. Students will be required to sanitise their desks or work area at the end of class.
5. **Face Coverings:** are recommended for personal use.
6. **Class Start Times:** for those attending at the school, there are separate start times: 7.00pm/7.15pm/7.30pm. This will reduce congestion and assist with social distancing.
7. **Health Issue/Covid 19:**
 - Anybody with a serious underlying health issue should not attend the school for classes.
 - Any adult student or staff member who is ill or displaying symptoms of Covid-19 should not attend the school for classes.
 - Adults should follow the public health advice in relation to foreign travel and subsequent attendance at night classes in Ashton.
 - Adults SHOULD NOT attend the school for classes if they have been in contact with a person who has been confirmed as having Covid-19. A period of 14 days since being in contact with the confirmed case must have elapsed before re –attending class.
8. **Teas:** No tea or coffee will be available in the school.
9. **One Way System:** for movement around the school a one way system will be in operation.
10. **Opt In:** If adults enrol for Face to Face classes in the school they do so in the knowledge that there are still daily confirmations of new cases of Covid-19 in the Community.
11. **Attendance Records:** Class tutors will maintain attendance records for all school based classes.
12. **Government Guidelines:** Classes may have to be postponed or cancelled if the Government so advises in the event of a major resurgence of Covid-19.