

Re-Opening of Schools and Universities Measures

for the GCC Countries for the Academic Year 2020/2021

Latest Update on 26th of August 2020

The United Arab Emirates



Authority: Ministry of Education



Start date: Faculty staff August 23rd – Students: August 30th



Education System :introduce “Hybrid” Learning System , and adopt four flexible scenarios for school attendance by 70% school education and 30% e-education (remotely) , whereas school hours shall range between 5 hours and half to 6 hours.

Kingdom of Bahrain



Authority: Ministry of Education



Start date : Faculty , technical and administrative staff: September 6th – Students: September 16th



Education System :Three options have been developed to ensure the safe return of students, which are sustain remote learning system, range between regular learning and distance learning and distribute school days among classes, so that each class has one or two days per week, (blended learning),in accordance with the directives of the Coordinating Committee based on the health situation in the Kingdom of Bahrain

Kingdom of Saudi Arabia



Authority: Ministry of Education



Start date: All general education level: August 30th



Education system: Adopt Remote learning for all general education levels during the first seven weeks, however a full reassessment of the situation will be conducted to determine the education status for the rest of the first semester according to the health update and improvements. Moreover , the decided education system in universities is remotely for theoretical and technical courses and personal attendance for practical courses.

Sultanate of Oman



Authority: Ministry of Education



Start date: Faculty staff and related jobs on Sunday, September 27th - Students: November 1st



Education system: adopt Blended education system for all school , for at least 180 actual school days, and arrange the holidays of students, faculty staff and related jobs according to that. In addition , adopt integrated education curriculum for all schools, where students will attend regularly to some classes, and activate remote-learning for other classes, in compliance with the rules and regulations to be issued by the Ministry of Education in this regard.

- Continue remote learning at all higher education institutions (universities and colleges).

Qatar



Authority: Ministry of Education and Higher Education



Start date: for all general education levels: gradually from 1st of September



Education System: The Ministry of Education and Higher Education in Qatar has announced a plan for the gradual return of students in public and private schools and kindergartens for the next academic year to be partial attendance for students during the first month and continue e-learning , according to three stages as follows: 30% of students will enroll between 1-3 September and 50% of students between 6-17 September. On September 20th, 100% of students will be enrolled.

- Re-Open nurseries and childcare centers to hold a capacity of 50%.

Kuwait



Authority: Ministry of Education.



Start date : Faculty staff and related jobs on Sunday, October 4th - Students: October 4th .



Education system: Through e-learning and distance learning during the first semester and merge the second semester with the next first semester.