

## Press release

### Amsterdam elementary schools closed for the next 3 weeks because of Corona virus

In the last week more Corona patients were diagnosed in Amsterdam. The unrest among parents and employees in schools is therefore increasing. Last Friday several schools were already working with half of their forces because many children and teachers were absent. Social pressure to close schools is increasing. Yesterday afternoon, the advice of the Federation of Medical Specialists was added to this immediately. Today, the Amsterdam Primary Education School Board met and decided to close the schools for the next three weeks. This applies to almost all primary schools in Amsterdam.

The schools will be using the next three weeks to develop scenarios in case a longer closure is necessary. The schools in Amsterdam feel the social responsibility to provide child care, especially for those whose parents/guardians work in vital sectors. The schools will consult all parents about this.

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