

For legal guardians

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Are you an 'essential worker'?

In order to limit the spread of the disease COVID-19, the Government or the municipality may decide to close schools, nursery schools, after-school centres, or other educational activities. No such decision has been made at this time. We remain open as usual and healthy students shall be at the school where classes are held. If a decision on closure is made, some nursery schools and after-school centres will remain open for children whose legal guardians are so-called 'essential workers', working in businesses deemed essential to society.

You who have children up to the age of 12 need to speak with your employer now and ask whether they consider you to be an essential worker and if you are needed at your workplace in the event of a shutdown.

Currently, you do not need to contact the municipality if you are in need of childcare. If a decision on closure is made, we will send out new information. This will outline how to report your need for childcare. In the event of closure, we will need a swift response from you. In that case, it will be helpful if you have already spoken with your employer.

The employer makes the assessment whether the company or organisation provides essential services. The assessment is made based on advice and guidelines from the Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB). The employer will determine which employees are needed to keep the business activities running.

At msb.se, you can read about essential businesses and what you as a legal guardian need to do and consider.

www.msb.se/sv/amnesomraden/krisberedskap--civilt-forsvar/samhallets-funktionalitet/foreskrift-om-omsorg-for-barn-med-varnadshavare-i-samhallsviktig-verksamhet/

At norrkoping.se, you will find information on the novel coronavirus and how the municipality operates. www.norrkoping.se/information-om-det-nya-coronaviruset

Thank you for your help!

Sincerely,
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