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To All Students

Educational Affairs and Student Affairs Departments

The Handling of Classes from the Second Semester Onward

Although the priority preventative measures have been lifted on September 13 in Kochi, the number of new infected people remain as high as ever. Considering the situation, we would like to notify you that we will handle classes in the Second Semester, which starts in October, as follows.

1 Style of Classes

For the Third Quarter of Second Semester, which begin on October 1st, the following measures to limit the number of students on campus will be in place until October 28th out of consideration of the status of infections in Kochi Prefecture and the impact of the highly contagious delta variant.

Although our plan is to change the style of classes to be mainly face-to-face classes regardless of the academic year on October 29th and beyond, we will make our decision by the middle of October after closely observing the level of infections inside and outside the school.

To add, even for students whose classes will mainly be held online due to these measures, there may be classes that require face-to-face attendance, such as experiments, practical courses and regular exams. Therefore, please return to Kochi 7-10 days before the start of classes, as we notified you prior to the summer vacation.

October 1st – October 28th

	Classes	Experiments and Practical courses	Notes
Classes for 1 st and 2 nd year students	Face-to-face	Face-to-face	Certain classes, such as those with many attendees, will be held online
Classes for 3 rd and 4 th year students , and graduate students	Online	Face-to-face	Experiments and practical courses that do not require face-to-face attendance may be held online

After October 29th

The style of classes will mainly be face-to-face for all academic years (planned).

- WS rooms that are not in use can be used for online classes. Also, K Hall on the 3rd floor of K wing will also be made open as a self-study space. It can also be used if the WS rooms cannot be used due to classes or other reasons.
- Even for online classes, regular exams and other class elements may be held face-to-face.
- We will send a notice at a later date regarding the style of each class, the classrooms used, and the split of the timetable in 2 at the Kami Campus to reduce congestion in the cafeteria.

2 Measures to Prevent Infections

Face-to-face classes will continue to be held using the same measures to prevent infections from the First Semester (leaving one seat in both sides when sitting for classrooms, mandated use of masks, ventilation, etc.) as a general rule.

Please also attend classes that involve discourse between students and experiments involving working in close proximity in places with splash prevention panels installed or with a face shield worn, as was the case during the First semester.

- (Only for the Kami Campus) The split of the timetable in 2 (A and B) to reduce congestion in the cafeteria will continue to be in effect.

3 Activities Outside of Classes

Research Activity

- Research activity will be carried out with sufficient measures in place to prevent infections, as was the case during the First semester.
- Upon entering the first half of the Third Quarter, seminars and other laboratory activities, will be carried out while attempting to avoid mornings, which tend to have a high concentration of face-to-face classes, as much as possible.

Extracurricular activity

- Extracurricular activity will be carried out by following the notifications below.

Infection prevention measures for extracurricular activity
(only in Japanese)

<https://www.kochi-tech.ac.jp/news/img/48de612d332d75870c81e1c951274991.pdf>

The handling of extracurricular activities due to the lifting of the priority preventative measures (only in Japanese)

<https://www.kochi-tech.ac.jp/news/img/f1795e31313d9961e75f45a11d437afa.pdf>

4 Activities Outside of Classes

Please check KUT's Response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) once again.

- KUT's Response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19)

KUT website > Response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) > KUT's Response to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

https://www.kochi-tech.ac.jp/english/news/img/210917%20_%2320%20Response%20to%20the%20Novel%20Coronavirus%20%28COVID-19%29_sf.pdf