

Critical Worker Application Form for Continued Access to Academy Provision during Closure

The government has released new guidance which defines those occupations that are 'critical workers' during this crisis. It states that:

As a country, we all need to do what we can to reduce the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

That is why the government has given clear guidance on [self-isolation](#), [household isolation](#) and [social distancing](#).

And the most recent scientific advice on how to further limit the spread of COVID-19 is clear. **If children can stay safely at home, they should, to limit the chance of the virus spreading.**

That is why the government has asked parents to **keep their children at home, wherever possible, and asked schools to remain open only for those children who absolutely need to attend.**

It is important to underline that schools, colleges and other educational establishments remain safe places for children. But the **fewer children making the journey to school, and the fewer children in educational settings, the lower the risk that the virus can spread and infect vulnerable individuals in wider society.**

Schools are, therefore, being asked to continue to provide care for a limited number of children - children who are vulnerable and children whose parents are critical to the Covid-19 response and cannot be safely cared for at home.

Many parents working in these critical sectors may be able to ensure their child is kept at home. **Every child who can be safely cared for at home should be.**

This is an offer to parents and carers and there is **no requirement for parents and carers to send their children to school if they do not need or wish to do so.**

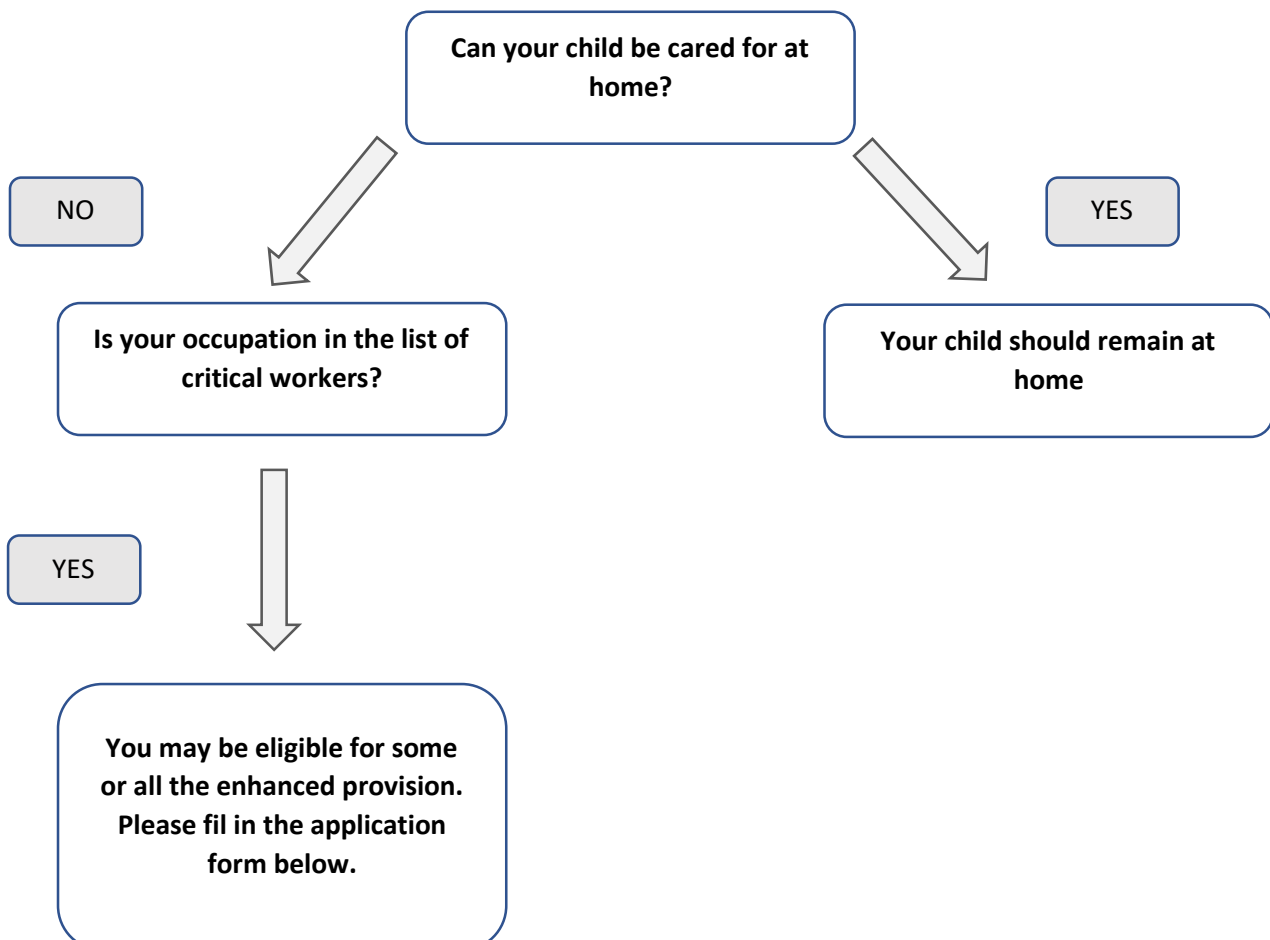
It is very important that this access is provided for critical workers and The Southwell and Nottingham Multi Academy Trust (SNMAT) has been tasked with identifying precisely who these children are, and how much access they will require.

As such, if you think that you are eligible for this access via your employment status, please follow the flowchart below. If you are qualify and wish to access this offer, please fill in the questionnaire and return it to office@gamston.notts.sch.uk

My occupation is listed below:

- NHS staff
- Teachers and support staff
- Police and community support officers
- Prison officers and staff
- Probation officers and trainee probation officers
- LA officers and LA/NHS social workers
- Uniformed staff in fire and rescue service
- Armed forces personnel and some civilian MOD personnel (ie clinical staff, MOD police, uniformed fire and defense) and some discharge personnel
- Highway agency traffic staff
- LA environmental health officers / practitioners
- Care workers
- Food/supermarket drivers and other workers

For full list, as updated on 5 May, please see appendix A



Application Form

Please answer all of the questions in full:

1. What is your name?			
2. What is your job title?			
3. Please indicate the critical worker category that matches your role (from the list on page 2)			
4. Please provide the name and contact details (email and telephone number) of your line manager.			
5. How many hours per week are you employed in the critical worker role?			
6. What is your shift pattern?	MON TUES WED THUR FRI		
7. Are you a single parent? (if yes, go to question 9)	Yes	No	
8. What is your partner's occupation (please state 'none' if they are unoccupied).			
9. Are you wishing to access continued provision at the academy at any point?	Yes	No	
10. Please specify which of the sessions you will need to access.		Morning	Afternoon
	Monday		
	Tuesday		
	Wednesday		
	Thursday		
	Friday		

Now please return this form to: office@gamston.notts.sch.uk

Appendix A: updated 5 May

Health and social care

This includes, but is not limited to, doctors, nurses, midwives, paramedics, social workers, care workers, and other frontline health and social care staff including volunteers; the support and specialist staff required to maintain the UK's health and social care sector; those working as part of the health and social care supply chain, including producers and distributors of medicines and medical and personal protective equipment.

Education and childcare

This includes:

- childcare
- support and teaching staff
- social workers
- specialist education professionals who must remain active during the COVID-19 response to deliver this approach

Key public services

This includes:

- those essential to the running of the justice system
- religious staff
- charities and workers delivering key frontline services
- those responsible for the management of the deceased
- journalists and broadcasters who are providing public service broadcasting

Local and national government

This only includes:

- those administrative occupations essential to the effective delivery of the COVID-19 response
- or delivering essential public services, such as the payment of benefits, including in government agencies and arm's length bodies

Food and other necessary goods

This includes those involved in food:

- production
- processing
- distribution
- sale and delivery
- as well as those essential to the provision of other key goods (for example hygienic and veterinary medicines)

Public safety and national security

This includes:

- police and support staff
- Ministry of Defence civilians
- contractor and armed forces personnel (those critical to the delivery of key defence and national security outputs and essential to the response to the COVID-19 pandemic)
- fire and rescue service employees (including support staff)
- National Crime Agency staff
- those maintaining border security, prison and probation staff and other national security roles, including those overseas

Transport

This includes those who will keep the air, water, road and rail passenger and freight transport modes operating during the COVID-19 response, including those working on transport systems through which supply chains pass.

Utilities, communication and financial services

This includes:

- staff needed for essential financial services provision (including but not limited to workers in banks, building societies and financial market infrastructure)
- the oil, gas, electricity and water sectors (including sewerage)
- information technology and data infrastructure sector and primary industry supplies to continue during the COVID-19 response
- key staff working in the civil nuclear, chemicals, telecommunications (including but not limited to network operations, field engineering, call centre staff, IT and data infrastructure, 999 and 111 critical services)
- postal services and delivery
- payments providers
- waste disposal sectors