



# Live-streaming lessons – suggestions from NEU members working on health and safety issues

## Teachers should:

- Be afforded professional choice; live-streaming should therefore be optional.
- Be offered alternatives to virtual teaching, eg using audio only, pre-recorded lessons or existing online resources.
- Not commence live-streaming until online safety and acceptable use policies have been reviewed and amended to reflect the current situation.
- Not commence live-streaming until relevant staff have been briefed and have understood these policies.
- Not be subjected to excessive 'screen time'.
- Participate in the risk assessment pertaining to live-streaming sessions.
- Have total control over all participants' microphones and cameras.
- Be assured that measures will be put in place to prevent students or others recording or capturing session stills during live-streaming.
- Have written consent from parents or guardians allowing children to participate in training and live-streaming.
- Know that parents and students agree to the behaviours expected from them and their children when live-streaming.
- Expect any abuse or misuse to be dealt with under the school's pupil behaviour policy.
- Not be required to take part in live-streamed, one-to-one, tuition.
- Not to be required to teach large numbers of students.
- Not to be required to live-stream without the establishment of clear ground rules, eg when and how can students speak?
- Have written authorisation from the school's DPO that live-streaming in this format can go ahead and is fully GDPR compliant.
- Be assured that the needs of SEND and CP students have been fully taken into consideration.
- Be assured that live-streaming is only used when essential, and only when it is viewed as the most effective means of lesson delivery.
- Be able to disguise their homes with different or anonymised backgrounds.
- Work remotely only during normal school contact hours.
- Be provided with appropriate training.
- Be expected to use only school accounts and school devices for live-streaming, Keep a log of everything that happens and anything that doesn't go according to plan





**We stress the importance of informed consent and the need for schools to engage in consultation with parents, students and school/college staff before introducing potentially intrusive measures of this kind. The school/college community should be informed of the following in advance:**

- How the safety and security of live-streaming will be ensured.
- Whether, in relation to staff, live-streams will be monitored for performance management and disciplinary purposes. The NEU states that they should not be used for performance management or inspection purposes under any circumstances.
- Students and parents should sign an agreement not to record or share any element of live lessons; schools may warn the school community of the consequences of engaging in such behaviour.

