

WELCOME



Dear Parents/Guardians,

August 21, 2019

Assalamu Alaykum!

First of all, I would like to welcome you and your child to ICCI Academy. I want to introduce myself to those of you who do not know me. My name is Heba Hussein and I will be your child's math and science teacher this year, inshallah. I hold a PhD degree in Dentistry with the research project done at Howard University, DC. I am a Research Volunteer at the University of Illinois at Chicago. I had been teaching all science-related subjects such as Physiology, Anatomy, Pathology and Biochemistry in the dental school. I passed GRE and TOEFL exams with high scores.

I have been working in Islamic Centers since 2016 either as a tutor or as a youth advocate.

I'm looking forward to teaching your child this year, but even more importantly I'm looking forward to working with you as a team because only together we can ensure that your child's social, emotional and academic needs are fully met, as one of my favorite quotes says, "***A child educated only at school is an uneducated child. - George Santayana***". My goal is to give your child the best education possible by providing him/her with the skills they need to reach their full potential, while making it fun and enjoyable at the same time. However, more importantly, my priority is to help your child grow morally, spiritually and emotionally to become a strong, confident, successful, caring and well-rounded individual inshallah.

Supplies

The supply list is posted on the school website. The only additional thing that is not on that list is a basic Casio calculator or a similar version for grades 5-7. The 8th grade students will need a graphic calculator which I will inform you about later.

Newsletter

Every Friday night a newsletter will be posted on the www.icciacademy.com website which will include all the important dates, upcoming tests and other announcements. The newsletter will also have a brief description about what your child will be learning the following week. In addition to the newsletter I will also communicate with you by sending notes home, calling you or setting up a conference if necessary.

Assembly and Dismissal

As I have mention in my newsletter, please drop off your child to the school cafeteria between 8:00 and 8:15 am where the morning assembly will be held at 8:15am. For the safety of your child please do not drop off your child before 8:00 am since there will be no one there to supervise him/her. Students' dismissal will be from the school cafeteria at 3:30am Monday through Thursday and 2:30pm on Friday. Students who are not picked up at dismissal time will be taken to the school office after 3:40pm.

Uniform Code

School uniform is mandatory, so please make sure that your child comes to school dressed following the proper uniform code which includes light/baby blue blouse or shirt and navy blue pants or skirt/jumper.

In addition, please make sure that your child is properly dressed for the prayer every day. Parents of the girls please make sure that your daughter has a headscarf and appropriate clothing.

Homework

I will be giving homework only couple of nights a week. Homework will mostly be simpler format of the material covered in class and will be graded based on completion. I will not give any homework on Thursday and Friday nights since students have their Islamic Studies and Arabic homework so it wouldn't be overwhelming for them.

Behavior

It is very important for your child academic success and well-being to establish classroom rules and make sure they are being followed. This first week of school students were familiarizing themselves with our class and school rules, however good behavior must also be reinforced at home. ALL STUDENTS MUST RESPECT EACH OTHER, THEIR TEACHERS AND OTHER STAFF MEMBERS AT ALL TIMES. Mistakes will be made and forgiven, however if any misbehavior is constantly repeated there will be consequences. Any name calling, bullying or physical contact is not allowed. For the first mistake, a student will get a warning. Next, the student will be prevented from working and talking with other students, or he/she will lose other privileges. Finally, if the misbehavior continues the students will be taken to the principal's office and you will be contacted. I really hope that this will never happen, however I just want to make sure you are aware of these rules and your child understands what you and I expect. Students will have a chance to change their behavior status throughout the day because our goal is to promote a positive behavior.

Absences and Tardiness

It is very important for your child to arrive to school on time since we cover important concepts and information every day. If you know ahead of time that your child will be absent or tardy please contact me and let me know so that I can make accommodations for them.

Grading Scale

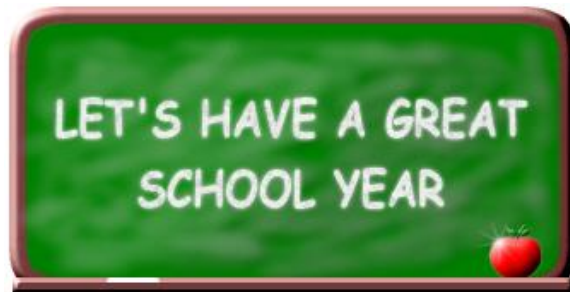
100-90	A
89-80	B
79-70	C
69-60	D
60 & bellow	F



Grading Breakdown

Behavior and Cooperation	15%
Classwork (projects, in class assignments)	25%
Homework	15%
Formal Assessments (tests and quizzes)	45%

I hope we all have a great and successful year inshallah☺.



My Contact Information

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Heba Hussein

Math and Science teacher ☺