

## Jannah Academy Curriculum Overview

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### Overview:

- Jannah Academy's **mission** is to build generations of well-informed and educated Muslim-American citizens (serving children from KG through high school). We aim to help students:
  - Build a strong Muslim identity
  - Gain knowledge of Islamic beliefs and practices
  - Learn the message of the Quran and read and understand the Quran in the native Arabic language
- Jannah Academy accepts students from **KG through 12th grade**; we place these students in 11 main levels (from KG to Level 10+ with Level 10+ being a combined level of 10th through 12th graders) - see the table on the next page.
- In addition to our 11 main levels, we also typically offer 1-4 mixed-age levels for students who need more support to gain the foundational Arabic reading skills. Although the classes contain a mix of ages, they are split between elementary and upper levels (meaning that there are no middle or high schoolers placed with elementary-aged students).
- For the **elementary levels (KG-5)**, we teach three courses: Quran, Arabic, and Islamic Studies.
  - For Islamic Studies, we place students according to their grade level (eg, first graders in level 1, second graders in level 2). We use the [Safar Islamic Studies series of books](#) (except in KG where they use the Weekend Learning Level KG book).
  - For Quran and Arabic, we place students based on their skill level with reading from the Quran while also taking into account their age, which surahs they've memorized, and overall class size.
  - For Arabic class, the focus is on ensuring the students can read Arabic, and in particular Quranic Arabic. We use the [Bidaya curriculum](#) to teach the foundational reading skills and then practice reading directly from the Quran.
  - For Quran class, the elementary levels focus on memorization and comprehension. In addition, the Quran class in the elementary levels typically have two tracks: the accelerated track memorizes more ayahs per week and will therefore memorize more surahs than the regular track. The goal is for all students (regular and accelerated) to at least memorize Juz 'Amma by the end of Level 5.
  - The elementary levels also receive a set of Quran "sight words" to improve their reading fluency and comprehension.
- For the **middle and high school levels (levels 6 and up)**, we teach Quran reading, Quran tafseer (explanation), and Islamic Studies.
  - Students are typically placed according to their grade level (eg, 6th graders in level 6, 9th graders, in level 9, etc).
  - For Quran reading, students work in small reading skills to practice reading from the Quran with tajweed to ensure correct pronunciation and to improve their reading fluency.
  - For Quran tafseer, students learn and discuss the meaning of the ayahs they read during their Quran reading class. We also aim to expose them to different topics and lessons drawn from the Quran and hadith. Special projects may be assigned such as preparing a short paper or presentation on a prophet mentioned in the Quran or researching the benefits of salah/prayer as mentioned in the Quran.
  - For Islamic Studies, we use the leveled [Weekend Learning series of books](#) that cover fiqh, akhlaq, Islamic history, and more. Because Level 10+ includes a mix of 10th, 11th, and a few 12th graders, the level rotates each year between two books so that students cover new material each year.
  - We also aim to bring in several guest speakers from the community to speak to our high schoolers about their personal experiences with applying Islam, including how they overcame any challenges, with the goal of empowering our youth with the knowledge and skills they need to practice Islam in their daily lives.

## Elementary Levels

<b>Course</b>	<b>Level KG</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>	<b>Level 4</b>	<b>Level 5</b>
<b>Quran Regular Track</b>	Fatiha, Ikhlas, Falaq, Kawthar, Nas, Masad, Nasr, Fil, 'Asr	<i>Review Fatiha, Ikhlas, Falaq, Nas</i>  Quraysh, Kafirun, Ma'un, Humaza, Tashahud, Salatul Ibrahimiyah, Takathur, Qari'ah	<i>Review Fatiha, Nas, Ikhlas, Falaq, Tashahud, Saltul Ibrahimiyah (salah essentials)</i>  'Adiyat, Zalzalalah, Qadr, 'Alaq, Teen, Sharh, Duha	<i>Review salah essentials</i>  Layl, Shams, Balad, Fajr	<i>Review salah essentials</i>  Bayyinah, Ghashiyah, A'la, Tariq, Buruj, Infitar	<i>Review salah essentials</i>  Inshiqaq, Takwir, Mutaffifin, 'Abasa, Nazi'at, Naba
<b>Quran Accelerated Track</b>	All surahs in regular track + Kafirun, Ma'un, Quraysh, Humazah, Takathur, Qar'iah	<i>Review Fatiha, Ikhlas, Falaq, Nas</i>  'Adiyat, Zalzalalah, Qadr, 'Alaq, Tashahud, Salatul Ibrahimiyah, Teen, Sharh, Duha, Layl, Shams	<i>Review salah essentials</i>  Bayyinah, Balad, Fajr, Ghashiyah, A'la	<i>Review salah essentials</i>  Tariq, Buruj, Infitar, Inshiqaq, Mutaffifin, Takwir	<i>Review salah essentials</i>  'Abasa, Nazi'at, Naba, Mursalat	<i>Review salah essentials</i>  Insan, Qiyamah, Muddathir, Muzzammil, Jinn
<b>Arabic</b>	Letters and shapes  <u>Writing:</u> Letter + shapes worksheets	Bidaya - learning all harakat and how to read words  <u>Writing:</u> Bidaya workbook	First semester: Chapter 5 & 6 of Bidaya  <u>Writing:</u> Bidaya workbook  Second semester: <u>Tilawa/reading (without tajweed) from surahs:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Waqiah</li> <li>• Najm</li> <li>• Jinn</li> <li>• Saffat</li> <li>• Dukhan</li> </ul>	<u>Tilawa from Juz 29:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mursalat</li> <li>• Qiyamah</li> <li>• Ma'arij</li> <li>• Haqqah</li> </ul> <u>Tajweed:</u> Heavy and light letters, Natural madd, Noon and meem mushaddad (ghunna), Stop signs  <u>Writing:</u> Sight words + Juz Amma book ("words to know") or other words	<u>Tilawa from Juz 29/27:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Qalam</li> <li>• Waqiah</li> <li>• Rahman</li> <li>• Qamar</li> </ul> <u>Tajweed:</u> Mudood, Qalqala (+ ghunna, heavy/light letters)  <u>Writing:</u> Sight words + Juz Amma book ("words to know") or application of tajweed rules	<u>Tilawa from Juz 27/26:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Najm</li> <li>• Tur</li> <li>• Dhariat</li> <li>• Qaf</li> </ul> <u>Tajweed:</u> Noon and meem sakin, Ahkam Lam & Ra (plus mikharij, noon & meem mushaddad, mudood, qalqala)  <u>Writing:</u> Sight words + Juz Amma book ("words to know") or application of tajweed rules
<b>Islamic Studies</b>	Weekend Learning KG + Key Du'as	Safar Islamic Studies Level 1 + Key Du'as	Safar Islamic Studies Level 2	Safar Islamic Studies Level 3	Safar Islamic Studies Level 4	Safar Islamic Studies Level 5

## Middle School and High School Levels

<b>Course</b>	<b>Level 6</b>	<b>Level 7</b>	<b>Level 8</b>	<b>Level 9</b>	<b>Level 10+</b>
<b>Quran reading</b>	<p>Reading with tajweed (review and apply all rules) using surahs from Juz Tabarak:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Mursalat</li> <li>● Insan</li> <li>● Qiyama</li> <li>● Muddathir</li> <li>● Muzzammil</li> </ul>	<p>Reading with tajweed using selected ayahs from surahs about stories of prophets</p>	<p>Reading with tajweed starting from surat al-Kahf</p>	<p>Reading with tajweed from surat Al-Maidah</p>	<p>Reading with tajweed from surat Ali Imran</p>
<b>Quran tafseer</b>	<p>Tafseer of surahs being read in Quran class</p> <p>Special topics and projects drawing on surahs and lessons from the Quran and hadith</p>	<p>Tafseer of ayahs/surahs being read in Quran class</p> <p>Top 500 words used in the Quran (to improve reading fluency and understanding)</p> <p>Sunan (daily practices) of the daily life of Prophet Muhammad (saw)</p>	<p>Tafseer of surahs being read in Quran class</p> <p>Special topics and projects drawing on surahs and lessons from the Quran and hadith</p>	<p>Tafseer of surahs being read in Quran class</p> <p>Special topics and projects drawing on surahs and lessons from the Quran and hadith</p>	<p>Tafseer of surahs being read in Quran class</p> <p>Special topics and projects drawing on surahs and lessons from the Quran and hadith</p>
<b>Islamic Studies</b>	Weekend Learning Level 6	Weekend Learning Level 7	Weekend Learning Level 8	Weekend Learning Level 9	<p>Rotate each year between:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Weekend Learning Level 11-12</li> <li>● A Study of the Quran and Its Teachings</li> </ul>