Edmonton Islamic Academy RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE, SUCCESSFUL, LEADERS AND CONTRIBUTORS TO SOCIETY.





EIA offers a high quality education, embedded in Islamic values, to enable students to become RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE, SUCCESSFUL leaders and contributors to society.



قال رسول اللهَّ صلى الله عليه وسلم: **الْبِرُّ حُسْنُ الْخُلُقِ وَالإِثْمُ مَا حَاكَ فِي صَدْرِكَ وَكَرِهْتَ أَنْ يَطَّلِعَ عَلَيْهِ النَّاسُ** [صحيح مسلم]

The Prophet PBUH said:

Virtue is a kind disposition and vice is what rankles in your heart and that you disapprove that people should come to know of it.

[Sahih Muslim]



GRADE 8 | NEWSLETTER

February 5 - February 9, 2024

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

February, 2024

Please be advised that the month of February is Black History Month. EIA will be hosting a variety of fun programs and activities to bring awareness to the intriguing and varying aspects of black history.

UNIFORM POLICY

Junior High Girls:

Girls are required to wear a gray school abaya and a royal blue school hijab. The blue hijab is available for purchase in the main office. Please note that a black hijab is not permitted. **Cultural clothing and other styles of abayas are NOT allowed at this moment.**

Junior High Boys:

Boys are to wear their black uniform pants and grey uniform polo shirt (long or short sleeve). On Fridays, boys are to wear the blue uniform dress shirt and school tie or black tie. **Thobes or similar forms of cultural clothing are NOT allowed at this moment**.

Junior High Sweaters:

If students want to wear an extra layer, a school hoodie with the school logo purchased from McCarthy Uniforms is the only sweater permitted.

ATHLETICS

You are now able to view upcoming Junior High games and practice times using this <u>link</u>, and receive weekly updates by joining the Junior High Athletics remind page using the code **28e68d**

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MESSAGE FOR THE PARENTS/GUARDIANS

Assalamu Alaikum Dear Parents,

At the Edmonton Islamic Academy, we recognize that our student's success depends on effective collaboration between parents and school staff. We all play an important role in a child's academic success. With that being said, we would like to outline our expectations for parents and identify some strategies that can be implemented to support your child in their areas of growth:

General Strategies:

- Monitor that your child completes their homework daily by checking the remind app for assigned homework.
- Set a daily **scheduled time for homework and studying** (e.g., from 6-8 pm daily) and remove all distractions during this period such as cellphones and iPads.
- Ensure that they are **on task during this time**. You may utilize your child's **siblings as support.**
- **Help Sessions:** We have multiple help sessions running during the school day to support students who may be struggling in each subject. **Please ask your child's teacher for the timings of these sessions and ensure your child attends.**
- Attend parent-teacher meetings: Please continue to communicate with your child's teachers to understand which areas they need support in.

Language Arts:

- **Reading**: Please ensure your child reads daily. Students are encouraged to sign books out of our school library, the public library, or read online (ask your child's teacher for recommendations for online reading platforms).
- Understanding: Ask comprehension questions about what they read or meanings of higher level vocabulary (ask them to use a manual dictionary to look up the word and define it in their own words),
- **Writing**: You may also ask them to summarize the text in a short written paragraph for you. Review the paragraph to ensure proper grammar, spelling, and punctuation.

Math

• **Complete practice problems:** Have your child practice solving a few questions daily for the unit they are on (review questions from the child's notes and math textbook).

Science & Social Studies

- Review notes and textbook readings.
- Ask your child to explain concepts to you and encourage them to connect these to concepts previously known.

Lastly, reach out to your child's teacher to discuss any questions or concerns. Our children are an Amanah from Allah and we pray that our continued collaboration will help support them to achieve an optimal education.

JazakAllahu Khairan! Secondary Team

CORE CLASSES

UPCOMING ASSESSMENTS (TEST/QUIZ)

Subject	Monday Feb 5	Tuesday Feb 6	Wednesday Feb 7	Thursday Feb 8	Friday Feb 9
Social Studies					
Science					
Math		10.1-10.2 Quiz			
Language Arts					
Arabic	Midterms All levels		Midterms All levels		
Islamic Studies					
Quran					
Health					

ISLAMIC STUDIES 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E

Imran Qureshi // imran.qureshi@islamicacademy.ca

TOPICS: UNIT 3 - Belief in Allah

→ Week 2: Surah Al-Fatiha→ Week 3: Ayat Al-Kursi

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ None

RESOURCES

★ Reminder Code: @4dg7cf4

★ Google classroom link: k5itlxf

★ Unit 2 / Lesson 4 to 6 Notes Posted.

QURAN STUDIES

Sheikh Nazih Yafi // nazih.yafi@islamicacademy.ca

TOPICS

→ Please practice memorizing Surat Al-Haqqah, verses 1-24.

IMPORTANT DATES

♦ None

RESOURCES

★ Remind code: @quran-8

★ Google Classroom Code: cq3dunv

ARABIC STUDIES

Sheikh Nazih Yafi // nazih.yafi@islamicacademy.ca

Level 4: TOPICS

→ Midterms start.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Monday, February 5: Reading Comprehension and Speaking Midterms.
- Wednesday, February 7: Listening and Writing Midterms.

RESOURCES

- ★ Remind code: @eia4
- ★ Google Classroom Code: ktyd3gs
- ★ Al-Hadiqah textbook Level 4.

ARABIC STUDIES

Karine Kheireddine // karine.kheireddine@islamicacademy.ca

Level 3: TOPICS

- → Revision for midterms:
 - حروف الجر 🔷
 - حروف العطف 🔷
 - أنواع الإسم ♦
 - الفعل الماضي والفعل المضارع ٠
 - إسم الإشارة للعاقل

IMPORTANT DATES

- Monday, February 5: Reading Comprehension + Speaking.
- Wednesday, February 7: Writing and Listening.

RESOURCES

- ★ Remind code: @level3-eia
- ★ Google Classroom Code: omka3k5

ARABIC STUDIES

Raghda Abdelqader // raghda.abdelqader@islamicacademy.ca

Level 3: TOPICS

- → Revision for midterms:
 - حروف الجر ١
 - حروف العطف 🔷
 - أنواع الإسم ♦
 - الفعل الماضيي والفعل المضارع ٠
 - إسم الإشارة للعاقل ♦

IMPORTANT DATES

- Monday, February 5: Reading Comprehension and Speaking Midterms.
- * Wednesday, February 7: Listening and Writing Midterms.

RESOURCES

- ★ Al-Hadiqa textbook/workbook★ Remind code: @raghda789
- ★ Google Classroom Code: ihmt4au

ARABIC STUDIES JUNIOR HIGH

Abir Salla // abir.salla@islamicacademy.ca

Level 2: TOPICS

- → Revision for Midterms.
- → Review all Arabic lessons covered.
 - ♦ Unit 1 pgs. 6-19(محور التعارف)

- ♦ Unit 3 pgs. 34 47(محور السكن)
- ♦ Lesson pg. 70- 73. Family Cooperation(تعاون أسرة)
- ♦ Lesson pg. 76-79 .Weather in Canada.(الطقس في كندا
- ♦ Lesson pg. 114- 117. In a Furniture Shop.(في محل الأثاث)

IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *Monday, February 5:* Reading Comprehension and Speaking Midterms.
- Wednesday, February 7: Listening and Writing Midterms.

RESOURCES

- ★ Remind code: lvl2abir
- ★ Google classroom code: xmfc2zc
- ★ Al Shamil Textbook Level 2
- ★ Revision Booklet/ worksheets/ Quran/ Tajweed booklets
- ★ Arabic Dictionary

ENGLISH 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E

Hoda Tarrabain // hoda.tarrabain@islamicacademy.ca

TOPICS:

- → Tell Tale Heart
 - ◆ Story Analysis
 - Poster Project
- → Charles by: Shirley Jackson
 - Rap/Poem Presentation Response

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ None

RESOURCES

- ★ Remind Codes for parents and/or students to join:
 - o 8A @779266d
 - o 8B @fdff9323
 - o 8C @8cenglishm
 - o 8D @8dengli
 - o 8E @8eenglis
- ★ Google Classroom code for students to join:
 - o Google classroom link
 - Link: aczdmod

SOCIAL STUDIES 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E

Kassia Zahoui // kassia.zahoui@islamicacademy.ca

TOPICS

- → Unit 2: The Spanish and the Aztecs
- → Chapter 8: How Did the Aztec and the Spanish Ways of Life Reflect Their Worldviews?

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, February 9: Inquiry Fair Final Doc

RESOURCES

- ★ Google Classroom code: mrio3w2
- ★ Remind code: ss8zahoui

MATH 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E

Hiba Azzam // hiba.azzam@islamicacademy.ca

TOPICS

→ Chapters 10: Solving Linear Relations

IMPORTANT DATES

* Tuesday, February 6: 10.1 - 10.2 Quiz

RESOURCES

- ★ Remind Code for Grade 8A: @eia8amath
- ★ Remind Code for Grade 8B: @eia8bmath

- ★ Remind Code for Grade 8C: @eia8cmath
- ★ Remind Code for Grade 8D: @eia8dmath★ Remind Code for Grade 8E: @eia8emath
- ★ Google Classroom Codes: To join Google classroom, click on the link that corresponds with your classroom: 8 (A,B,C,D,E): Grade 8 Google Classroom

SCIENCE 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E

Majd Haymour // majd.haymour@islamicacademy.ca

TOPICS

→ Light and Optics topic 1.3 - Microscopes and Wet Mounts

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ None

RESOURCES

- ★ Help sessions: Monday & Tuesday (3:30PM 4:15PM)
- ★ Google Classroom: (8A: i77u262)
- ★ Google Classroom: (8B: 2qxxtyo)
- ★ Google Classroom: (8C: m2hs3ek)
- ★ Google Classroom: (8D: kv43g3h)
- ★ Google Classroom: (8E: synndqf)
- ★ Remind (all science 8): @haysci8

PHYSICAL EDUCATION GIRLS

Shanya Shwetz // shanya.shwetz@islamicacademy.ca

TOPICS

- → Soccer
 - Fair play
 - Passing
 - Kicking
 - Shooting
 - Positioning
 - ◆ Cardiovascular Health
- → Beep test

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ None

RESOURCES

★ Google Classroom

PHYSICAL EDUCATION BOYS

Billal Hajji // billal.hajji@islamicacademy.ca

→ Cooperative Games: leadership, teamwork, cooperation and positive interactions

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ None

RESOURCES

★ Remind PE: @8eiape

HEALTH 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E

Yahia Dalloul // yahia.dalloul@islamicacademy.ca

TOPICS

→ Goal Setting: students will be able to Distinguish between a wish and goal. Identify what they want to accomplish (goal). • Identify how to set a S.M.A.R.T goal.

IMPORTANT DATES

None

RESOURCES

- ★ Remind code:
- ★ All grade 8 Health: allgrade8h

SPORT HISTORY

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TOPICS

→ Intro to Sports History

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ None

RESOURCES

★ None

FOODS

Shanya Shwetz // shanya.shwetz@islamicacademy.ca

TOPICS

- → Learn Kitchen Basics
- → Cook and Bake
- → Spaghetti and Garlic Butter Sauce

IMPORTANT DATES

None

RESOURCES

★ Given to students at Options Class

FILM

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TOPIC

→ Students will critique movies of all types and genres. In addition to watching movies, students are expected to complete questions and projects pertaining to the films, as well as review professional movie reviews, and discuss key elements of the film.

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ None

RESOURCES

★ None

DRAMA

Nadine Kassab // nadine.kassab@islamicacademy.ca

TOPICS

- → Tableaux
 - ◆ Use movement to communicate non-verbally.

IMPORTANT DATES

None

RESOURCES

★ None

STEAM

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TOPICS

→ Students will start the first unit of STEAM, electronics, learning about the parts of a circuit, series and parallel circuits, and applying what they learned to build a popsicle stick home.

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ None

RESOURCES

★ Google Classroom: ts2q5r7

ART

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TOPICS

→ Students will be introduced to working with plaster for sculpting.

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ None

RESOURCES

★ Remind code: ch899g

EDMONTON ISLAMIC ACADEMY JUNIOR HIGH SENIOR BASKETBALL SCHEDULE



SR GIRLS BASKETBALL GAME

SR Girls Basketball Game	Location	Date	Time
Edmonton Islamic Academy @ Elizabeth Finch	Address: 13815 - 160 Avenue	Thu Jan 18, 2024	4:15 pm - 5:45 pm
Dickinsfield @ Edmonton Islamic Academy	Edmonton Islamic Academy	Wed Jan 24, 2024	4:15 pm - 5:45 pm
Hilwie Hamdon@ Edmonton Islamic Academy	Edmonton Islamic Academy	Mon Jan 29, 2024	5:45 pm - 7:15 pm
Edmonton Islamic Academy @ Dr. Donald Massey	Address: 5435 - 162 Avenue	Wed Feb 07, 2024	4:15 pm - 5:45 pm
Florence Hallock @ Edmonton Islamic Academy	Edmonton Islamic Academy	Wed Feb 14, 2024	5:45 pm - 7:15 pm
Edmonton Islamic Academy @ Rosslyn	13215 - 113A Street	Mon Feb 26, 2024	5:45 pm - 7:15 pm

SR **BOYS** BASKETBALL GAME

Sr Boys Basketball Game	Location	Date	Time
Edmonton Islamic Academy @ Elizabeth Finch	Address: 13815 - 160 Avenue	Thu Jan 18, 2024	5:45 pm - 7:15 pm
Dickinsfield @ Edmonton Islamic Academy	Edmonton Islamic Academy	Wed Jan 24, 2024	5:45 pm - 7:15 pm
Hilwie Hamdon @ Edmonton Islamic Academy	Edmonton Islamic Academy	Mon Jan 29, 2024	4:15 pm - 5:45 pm
Edmonton Islamic Academy @ Dr. Donald Massey	Address: 5435 - 162 Avenue	Wed Feb 07, 2024	5:45 pm - 7:15 pm
Florence Hallock @ Edmonton Islamic Academy	Edmonton Islamic Academy	Wed Feb 14, 2024	4:15 pm - 5:45 pm
Edmonton Islamic Academy @ Edmonton Christian Northeast	Address: 5940 - 159 Avenue	Fri Feb 16, 2024 **	5:45 pm - 7:15 pm
Edmonton Islamic Academy @ Rosslyn	13215 - 113A Street	Mon Feb 26, 2024	4:15 pm - 5:45 pm



HOME GAME: ADDRESS: 14525 127 ST NW



EDMONTON ISLAMIC ACADEMY JUNIOR HIGH JUNIOR BASKETBALL SCHEDULE



JR GIRLS BASKETBALL GAME

Junior Girls	Location	Date	Time
Crestwood @ Edmonton Islamic Academy *Exhibition*	Edmonton Islamic Academy	Thu Jan 18, 2024	4:15 pm - 5:45 pm
Edmonton Islamic Academy @ Aurora	Address: 12245 131 Street	Tue Jan 23, 2024	5:45 pm - 7:15 pm
Highlands @ Edmonton Islamic Academy	Edmonton Islamic Academy	Thu Feb 01, 2024	4:15 pm - 5:45 pm
Edmonton Christian West @ Edmonton Islamic Academy	Edmonton Islamic Academy	Tue Feb 06, 2024	5:45 pm - 7:15 pm
Edmonton Islamic Academy @ Laurier Heights	Address: 8210 - 142 Street	Tue Feb 13, 2024	4:15 pm - 5:45 pm
Crestwood @ Edmonton Islamic Academy	Edmonton Islamic Academy	Thu Feb 22, 2024	5:45 pm - 7:15 pm

JR BOYS BASKETBALL GAME

Junior Boys	Location	Date	Time
Crestwood @ Edmonton Islamic Academy	Edmonton Islamic Academy	Thu Jan 18, 2024	5:45 pm - 7:15 pm
Edmonton Islamic Academy @ Aurora	Address: 12245 131 Street	Tue Jan 23, 2024	4:15 pm - 5:45 pm
Highlands @ Edmonton Islamic Academy	Edmonton Islamic Academy	Thu Feb 01, 2024	5:45 pm - 7:15 pm
Edmonton Christian West @ Edmonton Islamic Academy	Edmonton Islamic Academy	Tue Feb 06, 2024	4:15 pm - 5:45 pm
Edmonton Islamic Academy @ Laurier Heights	Address: 8210 - 142 Street	Tue Feb 13, 2024	5:45 pm - 7:15 pm
Crestwood @ Edmonton Islamic Academy	Edmonton Islamic Academy	Thu Feb 22, 2024	4:15 pm - 5:45 pm



HOME GAME: ADDRESS: 14525 127 ST NW



ISLAM AWARDS CRITERIA

The 10th Annual ISLAM Awards will be held on **Friday, October 4th, 2024 (tentative)**. To be eligible to receive an award, you must be a Junior High or High School student, and you must have **no more than one discipline report and all your grades must be above 60%.**

You must attend the ceremony to get your award.

Ouran recitation Award:

Criteria for Junior High:

This award will be given to the three most successful students from each grade.

The students must meet the following criteria to receive the award:

- Students should properly memorize the Surahs, from that grade curriculum, with the tajweed rules.
- Students should know the basic provisions of tajweed.
- Students should read with correct pronunciation of the words.

Criteria for Senior High:

This award will be given to the most successful six students from High School.

The students must meet the following criteria to receive the award:

- Students should be able to recite Surat Yassin (سورة ياسين) with the tajweed rules.
- Students should know the basic provisions of tajweed.
- Students should read with correct pronunciation of the words.

Islamic Studies Award:

This award will be given to the top three achievers from each grade in Junior High (Total 9) and the top three achievers from each grade in High School. (Total of 9)

Al Muathen, Bilal Ibn Rabah Award (Boys only):

This will be given to the top three achievers from Junior High and top three achievers from High School. (Total of 6)

Khatib/Speech Award:

This will be given to the top three achievers from Junior High and top three achievers from High School. (Total of 6)

Arabic Language:

This award will be given to the top three achievers from each grade in Junior High (Total of 9) and to one from each High School Arabic course (Total of 3).

Academic:

This award will be given to the students who achieve the following:

Criteria for Junior High:

- Honorable Mention: requires (74.5% 79.4%) based on an average of the 4 core subjects.
- **Honors:** requires (79.5% 89.4%) based on an average of the 4 core subjects.
- **Honors with Distinction:** requires 89.5% or higher based on an average of the 4 core subjects.

These awards will be based on the students' grades encompassing Y1 results.

<u>Criteria for High School:</u>

- **Honorable Mention:** requires (74.5% 79.4%) based on an average of 4 core subjects.
- **Honors:** requires (79.5% 89.4%) based on an average of 4 core subjects.
- Honors with Distinction: requires 89.5% or higher based on an average of 4 core subjects.

These awards will be based on the students' grades from the 1st and 2nd semester results. Any course taken outside the Academy will not be considered for this Award.

Diploma & AP Stars:

- The student must achieve 80% and above on the diploma exam or four and above on the AP test.
- Any diploma course taken outside the Academy will not be considered for this Award.

Top Academic:

This award will be given to the top student from each grade. One from all of grade 7, one from all of grade 8, one from all of grade 9, one from grade 10, one from grade 11, and one from grade 12 (Total of 6). The students' average will be calculated based on the four core subjects for Junior High and top four core subjects for High School.

Leadership as an Active Citizen:

This award will be given to the most successful three students from Junior High and the most successful three students from High School. (Total of 6)

Athlete of the Year Award:

This award will be given to the most successful boy and the most successful girl from Junior High (Total of 2) and the most successful boy and girl from High School (Total of 2).

EIA Profile Award:

This award will be given to a student from grade 12. The criteria for this award is found in the Student's Handbook on page 5.

Alumni Award:

The student who achieves this award must demonstrate the following:

- Giving back to the school.
- Giving back to the Muslim community.
- Giving back to the Edmonton community.
- Graduated from EIA from either Grade 9 or Grade 12.
- Volunteer minimum 50 hours.