

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



"وَأَسْتَعِينُوا بِالصَّبْرِ وَالصَّلَاةِ وَإِنَّهَا لَكَبِيرَةٌ إِلَّا عَلَى الْخَاشِعِينَ"

"And seek Allah's help with patience, perseverance, and prayer: it is indeed hard except for those who are humble"
(Surat Al - Baqarah: 45)

GRADE 8 | NEWSLETTER

December 14 - Dec 18, 2020

ANNOUNCEMENTS

QUR'AN COMPETITION TESTING

2: 15 - 3:30 pm Wednesday, December 9 - Friday, December 18

Ms. Montaha will be doing Qur'an competition testing for anyone in Grades 8 to 12. Just click on the link below anytime between 2:15 pm and 3:30 pm weekdays from Dec 9 - 18th to be tested! Best of luck!

<https://meet.google.com/soa-zggg-tyt?hs=122&authuser=1>

WINTER BREAK

Saturday, December 19 to Sunday, January 3

Please be advised that Winter break will be on the above dates.

Class will resume ONLINE for secondary students starting January 4, 2021.

OPTION CLASSES CHANGING FOR GRADE 8

Monday, January 4

Please be advised that Options class will be changing for all of grade 8 beginning the first day of class after the Winter Break. Please see the BREADTH & OPTIONS CLASSES chart listed below for more information as to which home room will be doing what option.

ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES - ENHANCED PUBLIC HEALTH MEASURES

Monday, November 30 - Friday, January 8, 2021: ONLINE LEARNING

The following mandatory AHS restrictions came into effect Tuesday, November 24, 2020.

Please be advised that Grades 7 to 12 students will be at home learning starting Monday, November 30, 2020, and will continue at home learning until Friday, January 8, 2021. Students' first day back at school

will be Monday, January 11, 2021. Indoor gatherings are restricted to members of the same household, so everybody, please, stay home and stay safe and let's help stop the spread of COVID-19. May Allah (SWT) rid us of this virus, Ameen.

POETRY COMPETITION

Postponed until further notice

Please note that the Poetry competition for Grades 6 - 8 has been postponed until further notice.

QUR'AN HADITH COMPETITION, ROUND 1

Thursday, November 12 to Friday, December 11

Please be advised that the Qur'an Hadith Competition will continue throughout the month. For secondary students, Qur'an Competition will continue virtually.

EIA STUDENT COUNCIL 2020-2021

Student Council Members:

President: Safiyyah Oni

Vice President: Khaled Al-Kadri

Secretary: Umama Mir

9D: No Rep

9C: Ehsan Ibrahim

9B: Cerene Abougoush

9A: No Rep

8D: No Rep

8C: Mohamad Farhat

8B: Adam Dowaidi

8A: Ameer Jomha

7E: Jude Alzo'be

7D: Ridwan Arrale

7C: Hadi Assaf

7B: Yazid Shaftar

7A: Eiman Chaudhry



FOOD PURCHASED OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL

Lunchtime/ Anytime

Please note, due to COVID 19, any food items purchased outside the school must be consumed before re-entering the school. Your cooperation in this matter is much appreciated.

UNIFORM POLICY

Junior High Girls:

Girls are required to wear a grey school abaya and a royal blue school hijab. Both are available for purchase in the school.

Junior High Boys:

Monday thru Thursday 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 black tie, or a thob or similar form of cultural clothing. If boys want to wear an extra layer, a school hoodie with the school logo is permitted.

NOTE: ONLY SCHOOL HOODIES WITH SCHOOL LOGO ARE ALLOWED FOR ALL JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS.

TOP TEN HIGH SCHOOLS IN EDMONTON

Congratulations to the students, parents, and staff of EIA!!

The ranking of the top ten High Schools in Edmonton is in!! Edmonton Islamic Academy is ranked number three in all of Edmonton!! Please see the following link: <https://flip.it/vO4II6>

CORE CLASSES

UPCOMING ASSESSMENTS (TEST/ QUIZ)

Subject	Monday Dec 14	Tuesday Dec 15	Wednesday Dec 16	Thursday Dec 17	Friday Dec 18
Social Studies			Social Studies Unit 1 :Exam 8A and 8C	Social Studies Unit 1: Exam 8B	Social Studies Unit 1: Exam 8D
Science					Unit Final Science
Math		Unit 1 Exam			
Language Arts					
Arabic			Arabic Test 8B	Arabic Test 8C, 8D	
Islamic Studies	Qur'an Tasmee' 8D & 8A	Qur'an Tasmee' 8B & 8C			
Health & Wellness					

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

Sh. Bechir Hassen // bechir.hassen@islamicacademy.ca

TOPICS:

- Unit 2: Serving community in Islam
 - Naseeha (Advices in Islam)
 - Hadith: The 6 Advices that Rasulullah gave to his Cousin)
- Qur'an :
 - Surah Al-Kahf 12-
 - Tajweed (Rules of Ghunnah)

IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *Monday, December 14:* Quran Tasmee; Gr 8A & 9D
- ❖ *Tuesday, December 15:* Quran Tasmee; Gr 8C & 8B

RESOURCES

- ★ Remind code: **4c2gb3**
- ★ **Google classrooms**
- ★ 8A. <https://classroom.google.com/c/MTM4ODI4NjI3ODgy?cjc=drn4ine>
- ★ 8B. <https://classroom.google.com/c/MTM4ODM1MDU4OTk0?cjc=5o5zrvq>
- ★ 8C. <https://classroom.google.com/c/MTM4ODM1MDU5MTYw?cjc=r27ckad>
- ★ 8D. <https://classroom.google.com/c/MTM4ODM5NzcwMDI0?cjc=kgfohwx>

ARABIC 8A

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

TOPICS

- Al-Qaida An-Nooraniyah القاعدة النورانية Continuing lessons 12 & 13.
- Arabic with Husna curriculum, Drills: Ism- Status, Number, and Gender.

IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ None

RESOURCES

- ★ Remind code for 8A: 8aeia
- ★ Google Classroom 8A: cdgkd4r

ARABIC 8B ,8C, 8D

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TOPICS

- Al-Qaida An-Nooraniyah القاعدة النورانية Lesson 11 review
- grammar

IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *Wednesday, December 16:* 8B - Arabic test on short story and grammar.
- ❖ *Thursday, December 17:* 8C, 8D - Arabic test on short story and grammar.

RESOURCES

- ★ Remind : @arabicgr8
- ★ Google classroom :
8B: yw36kty
8C: jwaprpm
8D: 6p26pbk

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

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Assalamu Alaykum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuh Parents and Guardians,

It is with great honor that I introduce myself as a new English and Social Studies educator of the Edmonton Islamic Academy for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year. My name is Nadine Kassab. I graduated from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor's Degree in Secondary Education. However, I do not plan to stop there! I will continue my education journey by attaining my Master's Degree in Education while specializing in school counseling. My ultimate career goal is to be an assistant principal, or school counsellor, therefore I can assist and guide students through their academic journey. In addition to my Education background I have spent time as a Resilience Family Support worker with Alta Care Resources where I assessed and facilitated families into creating goals and strategies to reproduce balance back in their homes. I have gained much experience in building relationships, observing the needs of youth in their education, and attaining knowledge on youth psychology. I was born and raised in Edmonton, completed my introductory field experience at Killarney Junior High School and my advanced field experience at Archbishop O'Leary High School. As a youth I have attained multiple EMAAN awards for my academic achievement in honors and several Merit and Service awards for leadership work I have executed in prior schools and communities. I come from a background with much involvement in youth education and at a young age is when I began to recognize my career path as an educator, for I was heavily involved in tutoring, study buddy, and leadership programs. I find pleasure in volunteering my time to fundraisers such as the Islamic Family and Social Services Associate, Stollery Hospital, and Edmonton Humane Society. Also, I enjoy going to the theater to watch plays, or musicals and I like to spend time reading!

I have a large passion for teaching and believe in embracing the roots of each individual student under my tuition and use this to students' advantage by producing an inclusive classroom through building upon their identities, proficiencies, interests, and understandings. As a result, my prospect is to help students engage, retain, and connect with educational material to become striving intellectuals in their society. I plan to create a classroom environment where your child will feel safe, respected, and know that the teacher is there to help them to achieve success. I plan to do that by building relationships with the youth and creating connections between their interest and curriculum material. I am very excited and eager to teach your children for the remainder of the year!

I highly believe in collaborative work with colleagues and members of the community such as parents. I invite you to contact me anytime you have any questions by calling the school at 780-454-4573, or email at Nadine.kassab@islamicacademy.ca

TOPICS

- Short Stories: Short Story Writing

IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ None

RESOURCES

★ Textbook available Online

★ Remind:

- 8D Homeroom: @8dhr2021
- 8A English: @8aeng2021
- 8B English: @8beng2021
- 8C English: @8ceng2021
- 8D English: @8deng2021

★ Google Classroom:

- Here are the google classroom links
- **8D Homeroom:** <https://meet.google.com/lookup/cwmsjjaj6y>
- Class Code: dkolwxv
- **8A English:** <https://meet.google.com/lookup/bt56pdqdk>
- Class Code: tvbfzal
- **8B English:** <https://meet.google.com/lookup/dnlkosklxz>
- Class Code: amtd7ya
- **8C English:** <https://meet.google.com/lookup/gtdk7bbeh5>
- ClassCode: imb7nrb
- **8D English:** <https://meet.google.com/lookup/c57u6sfxjy>
- Class Code: kv67x46

SOCIAL 8A, 8B

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TOPICS

- Unit 1 Test (Chapter 1-3) + Inquiry Fair Project

IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *Wednesday, December 16:* Unit 1: Exam (Written) 8A
- ❖ *Thursday, December 17:* Unit 1: Exam (Written) 8B

RESOURCES

- ★ **Google Classroom:** 8A: qfgmbew 8B: d7aqhvo
- ★ **Remind code:** @ k89hh72
- ★ Textbook: “Our Worldviews” Introduction and Chapter 1 are available on Google Classroom
- ★ Homework Student Package: Available on Google Classroom
- ★ **Google Meet for At Home learners and students in isolation:**
Tuesday 2:00 - 2:40 meet.google.com/wyq-cuqo-jrm

SOCIAL 8C

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TOPICS

- Unit 1 Review: Renaissance Europe

IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *Wednesday, December 16:* Unit 1 Exam

RESOURCES

- ★ Remind: @eiasoc8
- ★ Google Classroom: hburifi

SOCIAL 8D

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TOPICS

- Chapter 3: How did the Western Worldview grow out of the Renaissance?

IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *Friday, December 18*: Unit 1 Exam

RESOURCES

- ★ **Google Classroom:**
 - **8D Homeroom:** <https://meet.google.com/lookup/cwmsjjaj6y>
 - Class Code: dkolwxv
 - **8D Social Studies:** <https://meet.google.com/lookup/ebrbwow7gi>
 - Class Code: urqr2e6
- ★ **Remind Code:**
 - **Homeroom:** @8dhr2021
 - **Social Studies:** 8dsoc2021
- ★ Textbook: “Our Worldviews” available on Google Classroom

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

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TOPICS

- Chapter 2,4,6, and 8

IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *Tuesday, December 15*: Unit I exam

RESOURCES

- ★ Remind Codes:
to join Grade 8A math class, enter the Remind code @eia8amath
to join Grade 8B math class, enter the Remind code @eia8bmath
to join Grade 8C math class, enter the Remind code @eia8cmath
to join Grade 8D math class, enter the Remind code @eia8dmath
- ★ Google Classroom Codes: To join Google classroom please click on the link that corresponds with your classroom:
8A: <https://classroom.google.com/c/MTMxMTk1NjY3Nzk5?cjc=k2nie24>
8B: <https://classroom.google.com/c/MTUyMjA2NzU2Mjgx?cjc=5lpicgo>
8C: <https://classroom.google.com/c/MTUyMjE2MjU4MDg0?cjc=ltcapeb>
8D: <https://classroom.google.com/c/MTUyMjE2MjU4MTIy?cjc=oh73ilz>

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

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TOPICS

- Unit B: Cells and System
 - ◆ Review for Unit final
 - ◆ Ongoing projects/assignments in class

IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *Wednesday, December 16*: Unit Final

RESOURCES

- ★ Remind codes are as follows:

8A: scieia8a
8B: scieia8B
8C: eiasci8C
8D: eiasci8D

★ **Google Classroom** is as follows:

8A: <https://classroom.google.com/c/MTMxODY5NjI2MTk0?cjc=fev7dsw>
8B: <https://classroom.google.com/c/MTMxODcxNzQzMDk4?cjc=tptj5mm>
8C: <https://classroom.google.com/c/MTMxODcxNzQzMTA1?cjc=2pbjvzx>
8D: <https://classroom.google.com/c/MTMxODcxNzQzMTE3?cjc=jfphpet>

PHYSICAL EDUCATION GIRLS

Shanya Shwetz <shanya.shwetz@islamicacademy.ca>

TOPICS

- Introduction to Online Physical Education
- At Home Fitness
- Strength Training

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ *None*

RESOURCES

- ★ Google Classroom: 3b4exrn
- ★ Remind: @sspegr8

PHYSICAL EDUCATION BOYS

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TOPICS

- Introduction to Online Physical Education
- At Home Fitness
- Strength Training

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ *None*

RESOURCES

- ★ Google Classroom: bihtfns
- ★ Remind: eiaphysed8

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

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TOPICS

- Leadership one
 - Anger management

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ *None*

RESOURCES

- ★ **Remind 4c2gb3**
- ★ Google classrooms
 - 8A: **nkrmdcm**
 - 8B: **iklmrrkq**
 - 8C: **t6btmyw**
 - 8D: **kxx2v2f**

BREADTH & OPTION CLASSES

OPTIONS SCHEDULE

MONTHS	8A	8B	8C	8D
September 4th - October 27th	½ FOOD STUDIES / ½ CTS	FILM STUDIES	ART	GRAPHIC DESIGN
October 30th - December 18th	FILM STUDIES	ART	GRAPHIC DESIGN	½ FOOD STUDIES / ½ CTS
January 4th - February 26th	ART	GRAPHIC DESIGN	½ FOOD STUDIES / ½ CTS	FILM STUDIES
March 1st - April 30th	GRAPHIC DESIGN	½ FOOD STUDIES / ½ CTS	FILM STUDIES	ART
May 3rd - June 11th	½ FOOD STUDIES / ½ CTS	FILM STUDIES	ART	GRAPHIC DESIGN

FILM STUDIES

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TOPICS

- Introduction to Online Film Studies

IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ None

RESOURCES

- ★ N/A

GRAPHIC DESIGN

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TOPICS

- Introduction to Online Graphic Design
- Creating a Website Template
- During this Junior High Option, Graphic Design, students will be using two online resources to create Graphic Designs. The websites used are called canva.com and pixlr.com. When using canva.com or pixlr.com students will be asked to sign up for a free account using their student emails. The purpose of the websites will be to aid students in the creation of logos, advertisements, marketing, and other Graphic Designs used for in class purposes only.

IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ None

RESOURCES

- ★ Google Classroom: wxqimzi
- ★ canva.com
- ★ pixlr.com

FOODS

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TOPICS

- N/A - CTS Graphic Design during online classes

IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

RESOURCES

- ★ N/A

CTS

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TOPICS

- Students have a variety of topics to choose from in their CTS option class. The topics they can choose from are: 3D Design printing, Robotics, Woodcutting Calligraphy, Movie Trailer, Web Design Basics, IT Basics, Media and Comm., Lighting, and Tech Business proposal.

IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

RESOURCES

- ★ N/A

ART

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TOPICS

- Art Prompts/Digital Art Projects

IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

RESOURCES

- ★ Google Classroom Code: ubykuzfc