

Edmonton Islamic Academy

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GRADE 8 NEWSLETTER

April 21st - April 25th, 2025



ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Personal Device Policy

We would like to inform you of a significant February 17th - February 21st, 2025 update that will affect all students in Alberta regarding Personal Mobile Devices and Social Media in schools. The Alberta Minister of Education has issued a new Ministerial Order (#014/2024), which states that **all personal electronic devices, including cell phones, smartphones, headphones, smartwatches, and other smart devices, will NO LONGER BE PERMITTED** on the school campus for students in Kindergarten through Grade 12.

This policy aims to create a focused and distraction-free learning environment. In addition, all social media sites have been blocked on the school's internet service to safeguard students.

The only exceptions we will consider will be due to the following reasons:

1. Health and medical reasons (approved by the Principal)
2. After-school activities (i.e., Athletics)

Uniform Changes

We have updated the school uniforms starting September 2024. The changes we have made for Junior High are the following:

- Boys pants are now casual jogger-style dress pants with stretch waists and tapered ankles.
- Boys dress shirts have changed to grey.
- Girls abayas have been upgraded for improved comfort, fit, and quality. (Gray)
- Girls hijabs have changed to forest green which is a 2-piece hijab only and can be purchased from the main office for \$10.00. Must be worn by Sept 16, 2024.
- Between September 2024 to December 2024, students will be permitted to wear either the old or new uniform.
- **However, as of January 2025, all students must come to school wearing the new uniform.**
- To purchase uniform items, please visit the following website:
<https://mccarthyuniforms.ca/shop/school/7803#allProducts>
- **Due to recent uniform updates, wearing cultural attire on Fridays is temporarily suspended until further notice.**

ATHLETICS

Please click on the following link for the Junior High Legends athletics Game & Practice Schedule for the upcoming season.

Links: [EIA Athletics Season 2024](#)

To receive weekly updates, join the Junior High athletic reminder Page.
Junior High Code: @fb6f46

UPCOMING ASSESSMENTS (TEST/ QUIZ/PROJECTS)

| Subject | Monday April 21 | Tuesday April 22 | Wednesday April 23 | Thursday April 24 | Friday April 25 |
|-----------------|--------------------|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Social Studies | No School | | Unit 2 Mock Trial | | |
| Science | No School | | | | |
| Math | No School | | | Warm up 1,2,3 Quiz | |
| Language Arts | No School | | | | Mid Novel Test: Chapters 1-6 |
| Arabic Level 2 | No School | Vocab quiz page 24 | | | |
| Arabic Level 3 | No School | | | | |
| Arabic Level 4 | No School | Vocab + Reading Quiz السُّنْدُبَادُ الْبَحْرِيّ Page 68 | | | |
| Islamic Studies | No School | | | | Unit 5 - Quiz |
| Quran | No School | | | | |



UPCOMING TOPICS

| SUBJECTS | CURRICULUM OVERVIEW |
|-----------------|---|
| Social Studies | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 2: How Does Intercultural Contact Impact the Worldview of Societies? Wednesday, April 23: Unit 2 Project (Cortes Trial) |
| Science | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 4 - Gear systems, Pulleys, and Hydraulic Systems |
| Math | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 7: Volume |
| Language Arts | Novel Unit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The Outsiders</i> By: S.E. Hinton <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapters 5 & 6 Skating Field Trip forms due: Friday April 25th. |
| Arabic Level 2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue lesson: حصة العربية In The Arabic Class pg.24-27. Review vocabulary & lesson. Comprehension lesson Exercises pgs.25-27. Learning about WH question هل . Daily reading <u>Vocabulary and Reading Quiz (words in blue box pg. 24) Wednesday, April 23</u> |
| Arabic Level 3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Lesson: Umrah- العمرة pgs. 116- 123 New Vocabulary and lesson discussion. Answer comprehension questions pgs. 117-123. Daily reading in class. <u>Vocabulary Quiz underlined words pg.116- Monday, April 28.</u> <u>Flyer project in class work due Friday, May 9.</u> |
| Arabic Level 4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Practice reading Lesson 14: The foolish donkey/الحمّار الأحمق/pages 72 - 75 Review the vocab words from Lesson 14 Daily reading in class. Answer comprehension questions. Vocab + Reading Quiz |
| Islamic Studies | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit (5): Adab & Akhlaq <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lesson 10: Diversity (nations and tribes) Lesson 11: Extension of Iman to good behavior Project Ihsan, Community, Good deeds (due date: April 22, 2025) Quiz: Friday, April 25, 2025 |
| Quran | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Surah Al-Muzzamil Ayat 20 |



ISLAM AWARDS

JUNIOR HIGH CRITERIA

The 11th Annual ISLAM Awards will be held in October 2025 (tentatively).

Academic Awards

These awards will be based on the students' grades encompassing year end (Y1) results.

- **Honors:**

This requires (80% - 89%) based on an average of the 4 core subjects.

- **Honors with Distinction:**

This requires 90% or higher based on an average of the 4 core subjects.

- **PAT Star:**

The student must achieve 90% or above on any of the grade 9 PAT exams.

- **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.

Special Awards

To be eligible to receive one of the following awards, you must have no more than one discipline report.

- **Quran Recitation Award:**

This award will be given to the Top 3 students in each grade in JH (Total 9).

Students must meet the following criteria to receive the award:

- ★ Recite the Surahs from the curriculum correctly, following tajweed rules:
 - Grade 7 – Surah Al Mursalat and Surah Al Maarej
 - Grade 8 – Surah Al Qiyamah and Surah Al Muzzeml
 - Grade 9 – Surah Al Jin and Surah Nuh
- ★ Students should recite with proper tajweed.
- ★ Students should know the basic provisions of tajweed.
- ★ Students should read with correct pronunciation of the words.



Special Awards Continued

- **Islamic Studies Award:**

This award will be given to the top 3 achievers from each grade (7-8-9) in Junior High (Total 9).

- **Al Muathen, Bilal Ibn Rabah Award (boys only):**

Al Muathen will be given to the top three achievers from Junior High.

- **Khateeb Award:**

The Al Khateeb award will be given to the top three achievers from Junior High.

- **Arabic Language:**

This award will be given to the top 3 achievers from each grade in Junior High (Total 9).

- **Leadership as an Active Citizen:**

This award will be given to the three most successful citizens from Junior High.

- **Athlete of the Year Award:**

This award will be given to the most outstanding male athlete and the most outstanding female athlete from Junior High (Total 2).



OPTIONS

| M1 (Sept 3 - Nov 19) | S1 (Nov 20 - Jan 28) | M2 (Jan 29 - Apr 8) | Y1 (Apr 9 - June 25) |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| Board Games | Board Games | Board Games | French as a Second Language |
| Outdoor Education | Outdoor Education | Outdoor Education | Outdoor Education |
| Film Studies | Film Studies | Film Studies | Film Studies |
| Drama | Drama | Drama | Drama |
| Construction | 3D Printing | Basic Coding | Construction |
| Drawing Fundamentals | Painting Exploration | Sculpture and 3D Art | Film Making and Needle Felting |
| Foods | Foods | Foods | Foods |
| Science Fair | Science Fair | Science Showcase | Science Showcase |



WELCOME TO GRADE 8

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8A: **cw5gifz**

8B: **gccraws**

8C: **ktvwurl**

8D: **kvkru6b**

8E: **jzc5c4q**

Arabic Level 2 **st7cb3e** (Ms. Rabab)

Arabic Level 3 **kytiewa** (Ms. Raghda)

Arabic Level 3 **r7cljhd** (Ms. Abir)

Arabic Level 4 **2tsvevw** (Ms. Dania)

Islamic **arfmurx**

Quran **onligao**

Health **elr7uhs**

REMIND CODES



Math

8A: **eia8amath**

8B: **eia8bmth**

8C: **eia8cmth**

8D: **eia8dmth**

8E: **eia8emth**

English

8A: **8aenglishm**

8B: **8benglishm**

8C: **3982ce**

8D: **8dengli**

8E: **8aenglishm**

Social Studies

ss8zahoui

Science

eiasc8

Arabic Level 3

raghda3

Arabic Level 4

arabicl44

Islamic

Eia8islam

Quran

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