



مدارس الظهران الأهلية
Dhahran Ahliyya Schools

مجتمع تعليمي غير ربحي
A not-for-profit learning community

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"Our Mission"

Inspired by the principles of Islam, the mission of Dhahran Ahliyya Schools is to empower each student to be a compassionate, thinking, lifelong bi-lingual learner, who makes a positive difference locally and globally.

"Our Vision"

Our vision is to provide a world class education with an Arab and Islamic identity through a pioneering learning community that is sustainable and socially responsible.

Our school is supervised by the Ministry of Education and accredited by The Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (NCA CASI)



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With the beginning of the new academic year, it is our immense pleasure to welcome all our students and their parents. We also wish them a successful and fruitful academic year.

We are pleased to announce that all our graduates of the **31st class** have successfully passed and completed all the schools' requirements. The number of graduates was **46 students. 23 from the American Diploma Stream.** All of them have earned Excellent. **23 from the Muqarrarat Stream;** of whom **14** of them have earned Excellent and **5** have earned Very Good.

Congratulations to all our graduates and their parents wishing them bright futures!

First Week Daily Schedule

This week, the students' dismissal times will be as follow:

- Kindergarten students leave at 11:00 AM every day throughout this week.
- Early elementary students (grades 1-2 boys & girls) leave at 11:35 AM every day throughout this week.
- Upper elementary students (grades 3-4) leave at 2:30 PM.
- Upper elementary students (grades 5 – 6), intermediate and Secondary leave at 2:40 PM every day.
- Attached is the new daily schedule effective from Monday, September 19th, 2016, for all grade levels.

Students' Arrival and Dismissal Plan

We would like to remind the respected parents about the students' arrival and dismissal plan. We expect all our students to follow the instructions given below;

1. KG 3 students arrive and leave from gate #1.
2. Grades 1 – 2 "boys" students arrive and leave from gate #2.
3. Grades 1 – 6 "girls" students arrive and leave from gate #1.
 - Kindergarten dismissal time is 12:30 PM.
 - Grades 1 – 2 dismissal time is 2:20 PM.
 - Grades 3 – 4 dismissal time is 2:30 PM.
 - Grades 5 – 6 dismissal time is 2:40 PM.
4. Grades 7 -12 students arrive and leave at 2:40 PM using gate #7.

Important Note:

You are kindly requested to pick your children on time of their dismissal clarified above. The dismissal duty ends at 3:00 PM. In case you are not able to come, please contact us on the schools' phone. Ext. 219-201.

We look forward for your cooperation!



Morning Arrival

We emphasize on the students' early arrival to schools. Students are expected to start arriving at 6:45 AM and tardiness starts at 7:15 AM. The punctuality policy will be applied. Please ask the nannies to drop off the students at the main gate; students are expected to carry their own belongings.

(Please see the policy on the schools' website)

Schools' Tuitions

The Accounting Office at Dhahran Ahliyya Schools would like to thank all the parents who paid the schools' tuitions for the current year 2016/2017. The office would also like to remind those who haven't paid yet, to pay their children's tuitions at the earliest.

Parents who work at Saudi Aramco are expected to inform the Admission Office at schools – in writing- upon their resignation or leaving the company.

Practice Evacuation Plan

The school cares for the safety of our students in case of fire, therefore, an evacuation plan has been created in which every school member has a role. Every homeroom teacher trains her students on what should be done upon hearing the fire alarm.

For this purpose, a practice evacuation drill was conducted with the students according to the school's evacuation plan on Tuesday, September 27th, 2016. For the safety of our students, parents are kindly requested to make sure that their children fully understand the importance of following the given instructions for evacuation.

Schools' Dress Code

Dhahran Ahliyya Schools have contracted with Adeem Company for the Unified Dress Code to sell the schools' dress code for all grade levels effective from the next academic year.

Store Location: Al Khobar Mall – First Floor – Next to City Max. Telephone: 8820534.

All our students are required to wear the schools' dress code starting from tomorrow, Monday, September 19th, 2016, and adhere to the jackets as mentioned in the Students' Commitment Codes.

Students' Shoes

Please wear the shoes and socks as specified by the schools (black shoes + white socks) at all times. For the safety of our students, high heels shoes and the platform shoes are not allowed.

Please be informed that the schools keep some pair of shoes available for those who violate the rules.

Wearing Abaya

All students of grades 7 and above are required to wear abaya and hijab.



General Parents' Meetings

The general parents meetings are scheduled as follows:

1. Kindergarten: Wednesday, September 21, 2016, from 11:30-12:15, in the Multi-purpose Room and from 12:30-2:30 in the KG cluster.
2. Grades (1 – 2) (Boys & Girls): Tuesday, September 20, 2016, from 12:00-1:15, in the Gymnasium and from 1:30-2:30 in the classrooms.
3. Grades (3 – 6): Thursday, September 29, 2016, from 12:00 – 1:15 PM, in the Multi-purpose room and from 1:30-2:30 in the classrooms.
4. Grades 7-12: Tuesday, September 20, 2016, in the Multi-purpose room as follows:

Grade	Time	Topic
7-12	10:00-11:00	Schools' Policies
7-10	11:00-11:30	IB Middle Year Program
	11:30-2:30	Tour of the Classrooms

Please come on time and no children are allowed. You will receive the agenda of the meeting to your emails.

You are All Welcome!

Saudi National Day

Based on the directions of the Ministry of Education, Thursday, September 27th, 2016 is an official holiday for both students and staff.

The schools will celebrate this occasion on Monday, September 26th, 2016, for all grade levels.

May Allah bless our Kingdom in Bounties!

Notes:

- Students are allowed to wear the Saudi traditional outfit.
- Brining food is not allowed.

First Volunteer Mothers' Meeting

We are pleased to invite you to the First Volunteer Mothers' Meeting on Wednesday, September 28, 2016, from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM in the Multi-purpose room.

You will be introduced to the volunteer mothers' committees and exchange experiences with them.

You are All Welcome!