

# Biweekly Newsletter

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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 **34<sup>th</sup> class** have successfully passed and completed all the schools' requirements. The number of graduates was **58 students.**

**34 from the American Diploma Stream;** of whom **26** of them have earned Excellent and **6** has earned Very Good.

**24 from the Muqrarrat Stream;** of whom **14** of them have earned Excellent and **9** have earned Very Good.

## First Week Daily Schedule

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

- Kindergarten students (main building and branch building) leave at 11:00 AM every day throughout the first and second week.
- Early elementary students (grades 1-2 both boys and girls) leave at 12:30 PM every day throughout the first and second week.
- Grades 3 – 5 students follow the regular daily schedule according to the announced timetable. They leave at 2:35 PM.
- Grades 6 – 12 students follow the regular daily schedule according to the announced timetable. They leave at 2:45 PM.
- Attached is the new daily schedule effective from first week.

## Morning Arrival

We emphasize on the students' early arrival to schools. We emphasize on the students' early arrival to schools. The school is open for students from 6:45 AM onwards. We are not responsible for any students who arrive before the time specified. 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)*



## 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;

- The school is open for students from 6:45 AM onwards. We are not responsible for any students who arrive before the time specified.
- **Gates designated for each grade level:**
  - KG 3 students arrive and leave from gate #1
  - Grades 1 – 2 "boys" students arrive and leave from gate #2
  - Grades 1 – 5 "girls" students arrive and leave from gate #1
  - Grades 6 -12 students arrive and leave from gate #7
- **Dismissal Times are:**
  - **Kindergarten:** 12:30 PM
  - **Grades 1 – 2:** 2:30 PM
  - **Grades 1 – 5:** 2:45 PM
  - **Grades 6-12:** 2:45 PM

### Important Notes:

- Gate #7 closes after the students of grades 6- 12 arrive at 7:15 AM. The tardy students enter from gate #1
- All students in (grades 1-12) will be dismissed at 1:04 PM every Tuesday according to the indicated gates.
- 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 number: 013-8198700 (Ext. 1100-2203) or on the direct line: 013-8683359.

### 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 2019/2020. 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.**

### Annual Volunteer Mothers' Meeting

We are pleased to invite you to the First Volunteer Mothers' Meeting on Thursday, September 12, 2019, from 11:00 AM – 1:30 PM in the Multi-purpose room.

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

***You are All Welcome!***



## General Parents' Meetings

The general parents meetings are scheduled as follows:

1. **Kindergarten:** Thursday, September 5, 2019, from 11:30 AM-12:30 PM, in the Multi-purpose Room and from 1:00-2:45 PM in the KG cluster.
2. **Grades 1 – 5 (Girls) and 1 – 2 (Boys):** Tuesday, September 3, 2019, from 1:00-1:45 PM, in the Multi-purpose Room and from 1:45-2:45 PM in the classrooms.

*You are All Welcome!*

## 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.

## 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, Sunday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018, and adhere to the jackets as mentioned in the Students' Commitment Codes.

## Action as Service Program

Service and Action is an integral component of the IB's Middle Year Program at Dhahran Ahliyya Schools and a mandatory requirement for all students. It is learning by doing and experiencing through which students build authentic connections between what they learn in the classroom and the challenges they encounter in the community. Through their responsible actions for helping the community, DAS students will develop their IB learner profiles. It is DAS' belief that this constitutes the basis for success inside the classroom and in real life, and making a positive difference, locally and globally, as described in DAS mission.

Grades 6 to 10 (with the exception of grade 8 who will be taking Community Projects) will have Service and Action as part of their class schedule and we invite you to contact the Service and Action Team should you wish to share with us opportunities in which the students could provide a service to the community.

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## Wearing Abaya

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