

# Ilm Academy

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# Assalam Alaikum Warahmatulahi Wabarakatuhu,

Alhumdulillah we are beginning our sixth week of school and are very excited to see students getting well adjusted to school routines. It is a blessing to see the hustle and bustle along with the learning and academic growth across our campus. We are now at full capacity and are looking forward to supporting all of our students in their learning experiences.









# Parent Teacher Conferences

We want to thank all the parents who attended orientation and parent teacher conferences. It was a pleasure to meet with you all. We value the positive feedback as well as the constructive insights regarding areas for improvement. Our continued focus is to provide the best resources that benefit our students.

#### **ILMA Seeds Fundraiser**

The 10th-grade class will be fundraising on October 8th during lunch time, aimed at raising funds to procure soil for the school planters. Their objective is to achieve two successful harvests of fresh vegetables, which they intend to donate to local charitable organizations.



#### **Recognition by Basic Fund**





Basic Fund is an organization that has supported some of our families over the years. Ilm Academy was invited to a Basic Fund donor luncheon on October 1st. It was very exciting to see that Ilm Academy students' work highlighted and showcased through the display of our student's work and ILMA voice publications. Among 357 participating schools Basic Fund supports, Ilm Academy was one of three schools recognized for its outstanding commitment to student development and progress.

# Bake Sale - Investing in the future of our community

Bake Sale on October 11th—Our students are buzzing with excitement, and we can't wait to see all parents, students, friends, and family come together for this wonderful event. Let's make this event a memorable one filled with delicious treats, laughter, and a spirit of community! We look forward adding more classrooms and additional space for student enrichment, InshaAllah.

# **Speech Contest**

\_ The annual speech assembly is scheduled for October 23rd and 24th. The objective of the speech contest is give our students the opportunity to build confidence in their ability to express their ideas in front of an audience. Each class will be presenting in their classrooms and the top 5 speakers will then compete during school assembly.

#### **Debate Club**

Our debate is back in action. Mashaallah, our debate club organizers have begun putting together debate presentations. This is an excellent opportunity for our students to build research, reasoning and public speaking skills. The first debate will be held on October 25th. The 9th and 10th grade class will be competing in this debate.

# **School Student Council Elections**

All classes K-4 are currently in the process of nominating class ambassadors for their grade levels. MS/HS grades are nominating candidates for the Student Council offices of President, Vice President, General Secretary, and Treasurer. Students who wish to run for these positions must have displayed responsibility and academic excellence in their classes. Nominated candidates are also required to submit short speeches as to why they feel they are the best candidates to hold the position. The final elections will be held on November 5th, 2024 InshaAllah.

#### First Trimester Final Exams

First Trimester final exams are scheduled for the first and second week of November. It is mandatory for students to take the exams in person. Please ensure that your child does not miss these days.

- Nov 4th to 7th Deeniyat/Arabic Exams
- Nov 11th to14th All Subjects Exams



# **High School Updates**

Our 10th-grade students take the PSAT/NMSQT exams on October 16th and 17th. This assessment serves as a valuable opportunity for students to practice for the SAT, which plays a critical role in the college application process. We encourage all students to approach this exam with diligence, as it will help them gain important insights and preparation for their future academic endeavors.

#### Journalism Club

The Ilm Academy Journalism Club has been started this year under the guidance of Khala Irum. Journalistic writing calls for a more advanced level of training with the aim of helping students get their voice out through effective, positive, and forceful expression of the written word. Journalism club members are selected by level of skill and is designed for more advanced writers.

# Yearbook Club

The Ilm Academy yearbook was a phenomenal success last year, and this year, there are grander ideas to make it an even better publication. A yearbook club has been put in place to design, create, plan, and help produce Yearbook 2025. Another proud involvement of the Ilm Academy High School student, we all look forward to seeing a masterpiece of a project, Insha Allah.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Oct 8th - ILMA Seeds Fundraiser

Oct 11th Bake Sale - School Growth and Expansion Project

Oct 16th & 17th - PSAT/NMSQT exams for 10th grade
Oct 23rd & 24th - Speech Assembly
Oct 25th - Debate Competition