

Edmonton Islamic Academy

RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE, SUCCESSFUL, LEADERS AND CONTRIBUTORS TO SOCIETY.



EIA offers a high quality education, embedded in Islamic values, to enable students to become
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Welcome back!

HIGH SCHOOL | NEWSLETTER

WELCOME LETTERS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday, September 2nd, 2024

LABOUR DAY: NO SCHOOL

There will be no classes on Monday, September 2nd. Everyone, enjoy your day off!

AREF AWARDS

Application Deadline: Sunday, September 1st, 2024

Please be advised that the deadline to apply for the AREF scholarships is quickly approaching. There are tens of thousands of dollars worth of scholarships to be awarded.

Please see the following link for more information on the various scholarships that are available.

<https://alrashideducation.com/aref-entrance-scholarship>

HIGH SCHOOL TIMETABLE – 2024/2025

Located at the end of this Weekly Newsletter.

FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

Located at the end of this Weekly Newsletter.

Edmonton Islamic Academy

Vice Principal: Ms. Bahja Mahmoud bahja.mahmoud@islamicacademy.ca

Assistant Principal: Mr. Yahia Dalloul yahia.dalloul@islamicacademy.ca

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL / HIGH SCHOOL

Bahja Mahmoud // bahja.mahmoud@islamicacademy.ca

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students, Assalamu Alaikum and welcome to the 2024/25 school year!

My name is Bahja Mahmoud and I am honored to continue to serve you in the Assistant Principal role for the High School Department. I look forward to working with Mr. Abougouche, and all our staff to provide a positive and safe learning environment and advance the students' achievement. It is a great pleasure to work with highly qualified teachers who are dedicated to the success of every student.

A little background about myself: I graduated from the University of Alberta in 2007 with a master degree in chemistry. I also obtained a bachelor degree in Secondary Education with a major in chemistry and a minor in mathematics from the same university. Also, I completed my master degree in education in leadership and administration. This will be my thirteenth year at Edmonton Islamic Academy.

The students at the Academy are our future, and it takes all of us to be actively involved in their education. Your role as a parent is essential in helping your son/daughter meet, or even exceed, the expectations we have set for him/her. My door is always open. I can also be reached by email.

Jazakum Allah Khairan and have a wonderful year!

BIOLOGY 30

Jude Alnajdawi // jude.alnajdawi@islamicacademy.ca

Dear Parents and Students, Assalamu Alaikum,

Welcome to the new school year! I am Jude Alnajdawi, and I am so excited to be the Biology 20 and 30 teacher. This is my third year teaching at EIA, and I'm ecstatic to be back.

I graduated from the University of Alberta in 2020 with a Bachelor of Science degree majoring in Biological Sciences and minoring in French Language and Literature. I immediately proceeded to get my Bachelor of Education from University of Alberta, with a major in General Sciences and a minor in French Second Language. Throughout high school and university, I have participated in multiple youth-centered volunteer activities, which nurtured my growing desire to become an educator, and it is an honor to be doing so at EIA.

I aspire to be a science teacher with an Islamic pedagogy that emphasizes multiple ways of knowing and experience-based learning in an inclusive and comfortable environment. I wish to provide students with opportunities to practice critical thinking as they explore the scientific method to gain perspective and explore the biological wonders created by The Almighty, Insha'Allah. An important goal of mine, as a biology teacher, is to have students apply their newly obtained knowledge to their lives beyond the walls of our classroom, emphasizing the beauty of learning biology –which we will do together through projects and classroom discussions. Without a doubt, I will happily support all students, providing them with the skills and assistance they need throughout the course, Insha'Allah.

I look forward to meeting you, working with you, and learning with you,
Jude Alnajdawi

RESOURCES:

- ★ **Remind Code:** @bio30EIA
- ★ **Google Classroom:** utuirs6

CHEMISTRY 30

ghofrane.benmabrouk@islamicacademy.ca

Salam Alikom Dear Parents,

Welcome to the new school year! My name is Ghofrane Ben Mabrouk and I will be teaching Chemistry 20&30. I am delighted to be working at the Islamic Academy!

I graduated from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor Degree in Education, majoring in Chemistry and minoring in Math. As a science educator, I aim to develop students' scientific inquiry and help them

visualize and conduct investigations. My teaching philosophy is guided by three principles that I believe are essential to conducive learning: relationships, diversity and motivation. Throughout the year, I plan to create a learning space, which encourages critical thinking and allows students to prepare themselves for the next Science course. I am more than excited to provide students the tools and skills they need to be successful throughout the course Insha`Allah.

I look forward to meeting you,

Ghofrane Ben Mabrouk

PHYSICS 30

Michael Whipple // michael.whipple@islamicacademy.ca

Dear parents and students,

Welcome back! My name is Michael Whipple, and I am returning to the Edmonton Islamic Academy to continue teaching Physics-20, Physics-30, and Robotics-10. This will be my sixth year at the school. Overall, the high school students of EIA have been a joy to teach, and I am looking forward to what this year has in store - inshallah the 2024-2025 term will go smoothly.

My teaching philosophy has a simple framework: I want students to have very few - if any - obstacles to their success, both in my class and in future endeavors. The way I organize my courses reflects this. Lessons are delivered with different methods and support systems: I have many strategies to accommodate students' needs, I maintain a class website with extensive resources which are updated regularly, and I structure my lessons to focus on specific objectives, maximizing practice time. I make myself highly available outside of class hours for additional help. Perhaps most importantly, throughout the course I train students to: develop self-sufficiency, become more conscious of who they are as learners, and become more adaptable with challenging material.

At this stage, students are at a special transitional period as they approach university and set themselves up for future careers; my aim is to help them develop lifelong strong habits and foster creative interests that will serve them well into adulthood. Therefore, I will strive to treat them like adults, while encouraging a sense of fun and curiosity as much as possible.

Students can join my classroom with the expectation that I'll be very transparent about the class objectives, and what should be done to ensure their maximum success and enjoyment in the course. I will be using Google Classroom, the class website, and the Remind app to maintain regular communication. I am excited to get to know all of you - feel free to email me at michael.whipple@islamicacademy.ca if you have any questions or concerns, or even just to say hi.

RESOURCES:

- ★ **Remind Codes:**
 - @phys20eia1 (Physics 20 Block 1)
 - @phys20eia2 (Physics 20 Block 2)
 - @phys30eia3 (Physics 30 Block 3)
 - @robot10eia (Robotics 10 Block 4)
- ★ Whipplephys.com (access will be provided in class)
- ★ Pearson Textbook (digital version available)

MATH 30-1

Hussein Akeileh // hussein.akeileh@islamicacademy.ca

Assalamu Alaikum,

I graduated from the University of Alberta with a bachelor of Education, majoring in mathematics and minoring in physics. I have had the pleasure of teaching at the Edmonton Islamic Academy since 2012. I finished high school in Jordan at College De La Salle and then attended the University of Jordan, where I graduated as an Electrical Engineer. I have around 15 years of experience in Information Technology that I enjoy utilizing in my classroom.

The influence of my experience working with people combined with being so involved in my own children's education has inspired me to become an educator. I believe in the transformative power of education and I encourage my students to attain the highest level of knowledge. I look forward to meeting you and wish you a rewarding school year.

The goals of mathematical courses sequences are to provide pre requisite attitudes, knowledge, skills and understanding for entry to postsecondary programs.

I am looking forward to working with you.... All of you

ENGLISH 30-1

Dalyah Mouallem // dalyah.mouallem@student.islamicacademy.ca

Dear Parents and Guardians, Assalamu Alaikum wa RahmatAllah w Barakatuhu,

Welcome to the new school year! My name is Ms. Dalyah Mouallem and I am pleased to be teaching high school English at the Edmonton Islamic Academy this year! I graduated from the University of Alberta in 2023 with a Bachelor of Education degree majoring in English and minoring in Art. I am also an alumnus of EIA high school and am excited to be back, inshaAllah.

Over the course of our English class, students will critically analyze a diverse range of English literature and translated works.

My teaching philosophy is based around the question of **what we get out of reading and writing?** Besides enjoying what we read, what can literature tell us about humans, the world, morality, etc. And how is this communicated? This is a skill that is important for us not only as humans, but as Muslims who read and decipher scripture and hadith, and are challenged with embracing our beliefs in a world that is constantly shifting. Critical analysis does not just extend to English literature, but is a skill with far reaching implications, especially within the context of nurturing active and engaged Muslim citizens.

If you have any concerns — or just want to say hi — feel free to contact me via email, or using Remind:
English 30-1: [@ela30eia](https://www.remind.com/users/@ela30eia)
Google Classroom: jcc5eoy

May Allah grant us barakah and success in this school year! I look forward to meeting you, working with you, and learning with you.
Dalyah Mouallem

ENGLISH 30-2

Dalyah Mouallem // dalyah.mouallem@student.islamicacademy.ca

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Dalyah Mouallem

SOCIAL STUDIES 30-1

Mohamed Dahrouge // mohamed.dahrouge@islamicacademy.ca

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I graduated from MacEwan University with a Bachelor's degree in Commerce, majoring in Management in 2015 and spent the next two-plus years working in the non-profit sector with at-risk youth at what used to be known as the Youth Emergency Shelter, now known as Youth Empowerment Support Services. During this work period, I returned to school and ultimately graduated from the University of Alberta in 2019 with a Bachelor's degree in Education, majoring in Social Studies and minoring in the CTS cluster with a focus on Business, Finance, and Information Technology. I began my teaching career in 2019 at the Edmonton Islamic Academy where I taught grades 7 and 8 Social Studies. Alongside teaching, I have also served as the basketball coach for the junior and senior girls' teams at the Junior High level.

As a student and athlete for the majority of my life, I believe that every student plays an integral role in the overall function of the classroom. Playing competitive hockey for several years allowed me to appreciate the concept of "all for one, and one for all", and I strive to implement this as an educator – not only for the students but for myself as well. I believe that putting students in the best positions to succeed is important to overall student growth and fulfillment. Incorporating numerous teaching strategies to meet a child's individual needs can be challenging, but every student has his or her own unique set of learning characteristics, and it's my job as an educator to make them as comfortable as possible in the classroom and to bring the best out of them. In my classroom, learning to work as a member of a group and applying concepts at a high level is something students can come to expect from my lessons. I will do everything I can to guide students and work with them as a teacher, not a director, and believe we can achieve amazing things together.

May Allah bless us in making this year successful, and may Allah bless us in working together to overcome this virus that has taken a toll on our society. I look forward to working together with you so that your child may grow as an overall human being in a nurturing Islamic environment. I encourage all parental involvement in your child's learning. If you're ever needing to contact me, please do not hesitate to leave a message at the school by calling 780-454-4573 or emailing me at mohamed.dahrouge@islamicacademy.ca whenever you have concerns or questions regarding your child.

BIOLOGY 20

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Jude Alnajdawi

RESOURCES:

- ★ **Remind Code:** @bio20EIA
- ★ **Google Classroom:** tw5jvgx

CHEMISTRY 20

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Ghofrane Ben Mabrouk

CHEMISTRY 20

Sewar Yousef // sewar.yousef@islamicacademy.ca

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Students,

Assalamu Alaikum,

I hope you're all doing well and staying healthy. My name is Sewar Yousef, and I'm excited to introduce myself as one of the new teachers at Edmonton Islamic Academy this year. I recently graduated from the University of Alberta, where I studied Secondary Education with a focus on Chemistry and Math. This semester, I'll be teaching Science 20, Math 10C, and Chemistry 20, Insha'Allah.

Teaching has always been a passion of mine, and I'm thrilled to finally be starting my journey in education with all of you. I believe that every student has their own unique strengths, and my goal is to help each of you discover and develop them. I love making learning engaging and relevant, and I'll do my best to connect what we learn in class to real-life situations, especially ones that resonate with our Islamic values.

More than just academics, I'm here to support you in all aspects of your growth. I want our classroom to be a place where you feel comfortable asking questions, sharing ideas, and exploring new concepts. Together, we'll create a positive and respectful environment where everyone can thrive. Additionally, I understand that some topics can be challenging, and I'm committed to helping you succeed. That's why I make myself available outside of class hours for anyone who needs extra help or just wants to go over something again.

I'm really looking forward to getting to know each of you and working together throughout the semester. If you ever have any questions, concerns, or just want to chat, please don't hesitate to reach out to me. I'm here to help in any way I can. My email is sewar.yousef@islamicacademy.ca.

Thank you for welcoming me into this amazing community. I'm excited to see what we'll accomplish together this year, Insha'Allah.

I look forward to meeting you all,

Sewar Yousef

PHYSICS 20

Michael Whipple // michael.whipple@islamicacademy.ca

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RESOURCES:

- ★ Whipplephys.com
- ★ Remind Code (Block 1): @eiaphys20a
- ★ Remind Code (Block 3): @eiaphys20b
- ★ Pearson Textbook

ENGLISH 20-1

Qamar Hassan // qamar.hassan@islamicacademy.ca

Dear Parents and Students

Assalamu Alaikum,

I hope you all had a great and restful summer. My name is Qamar Hassan and I am excited to introduce myself as one of the new teachers at Edmonton Islamic Academy this year. I first graduated from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and after working as a teaching assistant, I decided to return to the University of Alberta and recently graduated with a Bachelor of Education degree in Secondary Education majoring in English. I will be teaching English 20-1, 20-2 and Social 10-1.

As a teacher, I hope to provide my students with the skills to be lifelong learners. By this, I mean developing their analytical skills to respond critically to information, their communication skills to appropriately convey their thoughts and finally collaborative skills because everyone can learn from each other. One way I hope to do this is through class participation which will be done through written reflections, small groups and finally building up to class discussions after we all get better acquainted with each other. I also wish to make myself available to all students for extra help so the best way to reach me is through email: qamar.hassan@islamicacademy.ca.

I look forward to meeting you all and I hope for a productive and pleasant school year.

Qamar Hassan

ENGLISH 20-2

Qamar Hassan // qamar.hassan@islamicacademy.ca

Dear Parents and Students

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SCIENCE 20

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SOCIAL STUDIES 20-1

Mohamed Dahrouge // mohamed.dahrouge@islamicacademy.ca

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In the name of Allah, the most Beneficent and Merciful, we will commence this 2024-2025 school year. Although I have had the pleasure of meeting most parents the last couple of years, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Mohamed Dahrouge, and I will be the 8C homeroom teacher for the duration of the 2020-2021 school year. I will be teaching Social Studies in both grades 10 and 11, and will also be teaching Foods and Business classes as options this year.

I graduated from MacEwan University with a Bachelor's degree in Commerce, majoring in Management in 2015 and spent the next two-plus years working in the non-profit sector with at-risk youth at what

used to be known as the Youth Emergency Shelter, now known as Youth Empowerment Support Services. During this work period, I returned to school and ultimately graduated from the University of Alberta in 2019 with a Bachelor's degree in Education, majoring in Social Studies and minoring in the CTS cluster with a focus on Business, Finance, and Information Technology. I began my teaching career in 2019 at the Edmonton Islamic Academy where I taught grades 7 and 8 Social Studies. Alongside

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SOCIAL STUDIES 20-1

Doug Smith//douglas.smith@islamicacademy.ca

Assalamu Alaikum: Dear Parents,

It is with great pleasure that I introduce myself to the EIA community. My name is Doug Smith and I will be teaching Social Studies 10-1,20-1 and 30-1. Interestingly, I grew up in this area of Edmonton. As a student I attended Kensington Elementary, Wellington Junior High school, and graduated from Queen Elizabeth High school. I received my Bachelor of Education from the University of Alberta.

I bring to the EIA 40 years of teaching experience with the majority of those years teaching Social Studies at McNally High School. While at McNally High school I coached several teams including the Senior Boys Football team for 20 years.

I believe that high quality learning does not happen by chance, the learning process should be well designed, planned, and that learning strategies should be flexible. With the vision of the EIA centered around intercultural and interfaith understanding and respect I believe that this school and my classroom will provide a meaningful education to the students and will allow them to be capable of doing and saying something worthwhile in their lives. In the words of the famous John Steinbeck : *teaching might even be the greatest of the arts since the medium is the human mind and spirit.* To ensure that your child is successful I strongly recommend and support that you take an active role in your child's personal and academic success. I am looking forward to a fantastic year!

The best way to contact me is via email. However, I am using Google Classroom and Remind which should also provide us with other means to connect.

Respectfully,
Doug Smith

RESOURCES

- ★ Remind@SS20-1/2024 (code-dg4a622)
- ★ E-mail:douglas.smith@islamicacademy.ca

SCIENCE 10

Sajeda Tarabain // sajeda.tarabain@islamicacademy.ca

Assalamu Alaikum Dear Parents and Students,

Welcome back to EIA! As we begin a new school year, I would like to take this opportunity to formally introduce myself. My name is Sajeda Tarabain, and I am pleased to welcome you and your child to my class this year. This is my ninth year teaching at the Edmonton Islamic Academy, and this year I will be teaching Science 10.

As an EIA alumnus, it is an honour and a privilege to come back and teach at the school that fostered my love for education from the start. I attended the Islamic Academy from preschool in the Al Rashid Mosque until grade nine in this Academy. I then went on to graduate with a Bachelor of Education degree from the University of Alberta with a major in General Sciences and a minor in Mathematics.

My goal as an EIA teacher is to convey to students the practicality and value of mathematics and science education, while integrating Islamic values into my instruction, so that they may cultivate an intrinsic desire to seek knowledge and to become lifelong learners. It is important to me that all students are provided with an equal opportunity to learn and grow in an environment that is both safe and enjoyable. Through learning, students can then move on to be skilled, contributing and connected members of their community.

We will be covering many exciting concepts this semester, however, Science 10 is a very important course as students' achievement in this course determines the 20 and 30-level science courses they will be able to take for the remainder of high school. I want to let you know that I am here to support you and your child in every way possible. The most important way that this can happen is for us teachers and parents to maintain constant and effective communication. For this reason, I encourage you as parents to regularly keep updated with the school newsletter. The weekly newsletters will let you know all upcoming tests, assignments and concepts that will be covered. In addition to the weekly newsletter, there are other ways to stay updated, and I will outline them all in the course outline shared with students on Thursday. They will also be added to this newsletter and will stay here for the remainder of the school year. These include the Remind app, Google classroom, and email. I look forward to meeting and working with you and your child this year, Insha Allah! May the 2024-2025 school year be a productive, enjoyable, and successful one, inshaAllah.

Warmest Regards,
Sajeda Tarabain

RESOURCES:

- ★ Remind Code: @scieia10
- ★ Google Classroom Code: bjdwg4c

SOCIAL STUDIES 10-1

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It is with great pleasure that I introduce myself to the EIA community. My name is Doug Smith and I will be teaching Social Studies 10-1,20-1 and 30-1. Interestingly, I grew up in this area of Edmonton. As a student I attended Kensington Elementary, Wellington Junior High school, and graduated from Queen Elizabeth High school. I received my Bachelor of Education from the University of Alberta.

I bring to the EIA 40 years of teaching experience with the majority of those years teaching Social Studies at McNally High School. While at McNally High school I coached several teams including the Senior Boys Football team for 20 years.

I believe that high quality learning does not happen by chance, the learning process should be well designed, planned, and that learning strategies should be flexible. With the vision of the EIA centered around intercultural and interfaith understanding and respect I believe that this school and my classroom will provide a meaningful education to the students and will allow them to be capable of doing and saying something worthwhile in their lives. In the words of the famous John Steinbeck : *teaching might even be the greatest of the arts since the medium is the human mind and spirit*. To ensure that your child is successful I strongly recommend and support that you take an active role in your child's personal and academic success. I am looking forward to a fantastic year!

The best way to contact me is via email. However, I am using Google Classroom and Remind which should also provide us with other means to connect.

Respectfully,
Doug Smith

RESOURCES:

- ★ @Remind: 37a82bb
- ★ E-mail: douglas.smith@islamicacademy.ca

SOCIAL STUDIES 10-1

Qamar Hassan // qamar.hassan@islamicacademy.ca

Dear Parents and Students

Assalamu Alaikum,

I hope you all had a great and restful summer. My name is Qamar Hassan and I am excited to introduce myself as one of the new teachers at Edmonton Islamic Academy this year. I first graduated from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and after working as a teaching assistant, I decided to return to the University of Alberta and recently graduated with a Bachelor of Education degree in Secondary Education majoring in English. I will be teaching English 20-1, 20-2 and Social 10-1.

As a teacher, I hope to provide my students with the skills to be lifelong learners. By this, I mean developing their analytical skills to respond critically to information, their communication skills to appropriately convey their thoughts and finally collaborative skills because everyone can learn from each other. One way I hope to do this is through class participation which will be done through written reflections, small groups and finally building up to class discussions after we all get better acquainted with each other. I also wish to make myself available to all students for extra help so the best way to reach me is through email: qamar.hassan@islamicacademy.ca.

I look forward to meeting you all and I hope for a productive and pleasant school year.

Qamar Hassan

MATH 10C

Ehab Abou-Absi // ehab.abou-absi@islamicacademy.ca

Dear Parents and Students

Welcome back to the academic year 2024-2025. I am excited to be back at the academy after a very busy and a wonderful summer break. My name is Ehab Abou-Absi. I graduated from the Concordia College of Edmonton with a Bachelor's degree in Science with a Major in Math and a Minor in Physics in June 2005, also I graduated from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor's degree in Secondary Education, with a Major in Physics and a Minor in Mathematics in June 2007. I will be teaching Math 10C and 20-1 this year.

I strongly believe that long-term success depends on being responsible, independent, and self-disciplined. It is my belief that respect is a two-way street and has to be earned. I insist that my students treat each other, and myself, with the utmost respect. I expect that each student to strive for excellence and I believe that each individual should accept the responsibility to follow the rules and work cooperatively. I promote appropriate behavior by verbally praising students who listen attentively, ask relevant questions, participate in discussions, and focus on their assignments. However, since disruptions are inevitable, I encourage that we get through them as quickly and painlessly as possible. Students will get notes/letters sent home or a phone call if the problem becomes persistent. I am looking forward to working with you and your child and wish both of you a wonderful and a successful year.

Please feel free to contact me through email at Ehab.Abou-Absi@islamicacademy.ca or book an appointment by calling the office at (780) 454-4573. We will be using Remind 101 to stay in touch with homework reminders as well as using it as a platform for students to have their questions answered while outside of school hours. The Remind 101 codes will be announced on the first day of school. I sincerely believe that my dedication and love for learning will assist me in continuing to be the best possible teacher I can be.

"A good teacher has empathy, the ability to see the world through the eyes of the child. A terrific teacher has a sense of humor, which keeps reality in perspective. A great teacher has passion as well as compassion."

Best Regards,
Mr. Ehab Abou-Absi

RESOURCES:

- ★ Remind Code: Block 1: @math10blk1
Block 2: @math10blk2
Block 3: @math10blk3
- ★ Google Classroom Code: Block 1: ftbgiov
Block 2: gtxyk3w
Block 3: 7vtmh2s

MATH 10C

Khaled Hattum // khaled.hattum@islamicacademy.ca

Assalamu Alaikum Warahmatullah Wabarakatuh

Dear Respected Parents,

My name is Khaled Hattum, and I am very pleased to be your child's Math teacher for this academic school year. I will teach both Math 10C and Math 9. After spending the past three years overseas, teaching in Qatar and Bahrain and living in Lebanon, I am excited to return to the Edmonton Islamic Academy for my fourth year.

I am eagerly looking forward to getting to know each student and helping them reach their full potential. I am thrilled to be working with your children and am committed to making learning meaningful for them. I am a strong advocate for a high-quality education embedded in Islamic values.

Once again, my family and I are grateful to be part of this wonderful community and the beautiful city of Edmonton. I hold high esteem for education and deeply value the importance of family. Inshallah, I will dedicate my best efforts to ensure your child enjoys a rich and fulfilling learning experience. I am committed to doing what is best for my students and will work to tap into each individual's potential and skill set. I am excited to embark on this journey with your child and to take on this trustworthy task.

Please join me on this journey. Your input is valuable, so if any questions or concerns arise, I encourage you to email me at khaled.hattum@islamicacademy.ca or set up a meeting with me after school.

Sincerely,

Khaled Hattum

MATH 10C

Sewar Yousef // sewar.yousef@islamicacademy.ca

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Students,

Assalamu Alaikum,

I hope you're all doing well and staying healthy. My name is Sewar Yousef, and I'm excited to introduce myself as one of the new teachers at Edmonton Islamic Academy this year. I recently graduated from the University of Alberta, where I studied Secondary Education with a focus on Chemistry and Math. This semester, I'll be teaching Science 20, Math 10C, and Chemistry 20, Insha'Allah.

Teaching has always been a passion of mine, and I'm thrilled to finally be starting my journey in education with all of you. I believe that every student has their own unique strengths, and my goal is to help each of you discover and develop them. I love making learning engaging and relevant, and I'll do my best to connect what we learn in class to real-life situations, especially ones that resonate with our Islamic values.

More than just academics, I'm here to support you in all aspects of your growth. I want our classroom to be a place where you feel comfortable asking questions, sharing ideas, and exploring new concepts. Together, we'll create a positive and respectful environment where everyone can thrive. Additionally, I understand that some topics can be challenging, and I'm committed to helping you succeed. That's why I make myself available outside of class hours for anyone who needs extra help or just wants to go over something again.

I'm really looking forward to getting to know each of you and working together throughout the semester. If you ever have any questions, concerns, or just want to chat, please don't hesitate to reach out to me. I'm here to help in any way I can. My email is sewar.yousef@islamicacademy.ca. Thank you for welcoming me into this amazing community. I'm excited to see what we'll accomplish together this year, Insha'Allah.

I look forward to meeting you all,
Sewar Yousef

ARABIC 15, 25, 35

Warda nadjai // warda.nadjai@islamicacademy.ca

باسم الله الرَّحْمَن الرَّحِيم

In the name of Allah, the most beneficent the most merciful

Dear parents, guardians, and students,

Assalamu alaikum Wa rahmatullahi Wa barakatuh,

My name is Ouarda (Warda) Nadjai. I praise Allah (SWT) who honored me with teaching Qur'an, Arabic, and Islamic studies. My teaching career started right after graduation (2003) from the Islamic University in Algeria (faculty of Qur'an and Hadith sciences). I worked at Calgary Islamic school and Horizon Academy Institute (Calgary) as Qur'an, Arabic, and Islamic studies teacher and at the same time I provided Islamic lessons to sisters in Calgary in different mosques and Musallas. It is my pleasure to teach and coordinate for the Arabic program this year for both high school and junior high departments! This year is the seventh for me here at EIA alhamdulillah. I am so happy to be your child's Arabic teacher for this semester inshallah and I ask Allah (SWT) to grant us a fruitful year together.

With Allah's will, your child will work on improving the Arabic language skills (reading, writing, speaking, and listening). Practicing what is going to be learned in daily use is one of my ultimate goals..always.

Warmest Salams,
Warda Nadjai

- ★ Google classroom code: rd2sbn5
- ★ Remind code: @wnadja

ISLAMIC STUDIES

Fatima Bensassi // fatima.binsassi@islamicacademy.ca

Dear Respected Parents and Guardians,

Assalamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuh,

I hope this letter finds you and your families in the best of health and Iman. My name is Fatima Bensassi, and I am honoured to be your child's Islamic Studies teacher for this academic year at EIA. I graduated from Al-Qarawieen University in Morocco with a bachelor's degree in Islamic studies and law, with a major in Tafsir and Hadeeth. I have over 20 years of teaching experience in this field, 6 years in Saudi Arabia and 14 years here in Edmonton.

This year, Islamic Studies will be taught as a full-time course, with five blocks every week. As we embark on this journey together, I would like to share with you the goals, outcomes, and teaching strategies that will guide your child's learning in Islamic classes. My primary objective is to help your child develop a deep and meaningful connection to their Islamic identity, rooted in a strong foundation of knowledge and faith. This year, my specific goals for your child include:

- Strengthening Faith (Iman) and ensuring a solid understanding of core Islamic beliefs and values, while fostering a personal connection with Allah (SWT).
- Build Islamic Character (Akhlaq) and encourage students to embody Islamic values such as honesty, respect, and compassion daily.
- Promoting regular interaction with the Quran and Hadith, viewing them as religious texts and practical guides for everyday life.

To achieve these goals, our curriculum is structured around the following key areas:

- Quran Field: Students will memorize and recite key Surahs with Tajweed, understanding their meanings and applying Tajweed rules.
- Hadith Field: Students will read, recite, and memorize key Hadiths, interpreting them to apply practical lessons in their lives.
- Aqeedah Field: Students will explore core Islamic concepts while understanding and identifying various forms of disbelief, hypocrisy and intercession.
- Fiqh Field: Students will review Islamic rulings on Zakat, fasting, Hajj, and Umrah, and comprehend the societal impact of these practices. They will learn also about the concept of marriage in Islam and identify its conditions and pillars.
- Seerah Field: Students will express love for the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) by emulating his characters. Also learning the biography of the guided caliphs (Abu Bakr and Omar @
- Adab & Ethics Field: Students will uphold Islamic morals in all aspects of life, focusing on repentance, the dangers of drug use, and its prevention.

To effectively achieve these outcomes, I will employ a variety of teaching strategies designed to engage, inspire, and challenge my students. I will encourage students to participate in discussions, group projects, and collaborative activities to deepen their understanding through teamwork. Our Islamic teachings will be applied to real-world scenarios and contemporary issues, encouraging critical thinking and practical knowledge. Students will use reflection journals and digital resources to track their spiritual growth and enhance their learning experience, Insha'Allah.

Your involvement is crucial to your child's success, and I look forward to working closely with you throughout the year. I encourage you to reinforce these teachings at home and to communicate with me if you have any questions or concerns. I will keep you informed of our progress through regular updates and reports.

I am excited to support your child's growth this year and I am committed to helping them develop academically, spiritually and morally. Together, we can ensure that their experience in Islamic Studies is enriching, empowering, and transformative. For more communication:

- ★ Email: Fatima.Binsassi@islamicacademy.ca
- ★ Remind code: @hsislamic2
- ★ School ph.(780) 454 4573

Thank you for your trust and cooperation. I look forward to a productive and spiritually fulfilling year, In sha Allah.

Sincerely,
Fatima Bensassi

ISLAMIC STUDIES

Warda nadjai // warda.nadjai@islamicacademy.ca

In the name of Allah, the most beneficent the most merciful

Dear parents, guardians, and students,

Assalamu alaikum Wa rahmatullahi Wa barakatuh,

My name is Ouarda (Warda) Nadjai. I praise Allah (SWT) who honored me with teaching Qur'an, Arabic, and Islamic studies. My teaching career started right after graduation (2003) from the Islamic University in Algeria (faculty of Qur'an and Hadith sciences). I worked at Calgary Islamic school and Horizon Academy Institute (Calgary) as Qur'an, Arabic, and Islamic studies teacher and at the same time I provided Islamic lessons to sisters in Calgary in different mosques and Musallas. It is my pleasure to teach the high school Islamic program for the second year. I have been teaching at EIA for seven years alhamdulillah. I am so happy to be your child's Islamic teacher for this semester inshallah and I ask Allah (SWT) to grant us a fruitful year together.

As Islam is practice! I do strive to role model its teachings as much as I can, because I strongly believe it is the only way to measure success at learning Islamic studies. My goal this year inshallah is to combine the traditional simple way of obtaining Islamic knowledge along with the discussion and analysis of the most contemporary issues.

Warmest Salams,

Warda Nadjai

- ★ Google classroom code: y7m7476

★ Remind code: @ wnadj

ART 10, 20, 30

Ameena Kadri // ameena.kadri@islamicacademy.ca

Assalamu Alaikum Parents and Guardians,

I am honored to introduce myself as the new art teacher for the upcoming year at the Edmonton Islamic Academy. With 7 years of experience in teaching art to students of various ages and skill levels, I am excited to bring my passion and expertise to your child's education journey, insha'Allah.

My teaching philosophy is centered around fostering imaginations, self-expression and confidence in my students, whilst instilling values of kindness, respect and compassion. I believe that every child is a unique and precious gift from Allah, and it is our responsibility to nurture their talents and abilities.

Through a variety of engaging projects and activities, students will have the opportunity to discover their artistic talents, develop their skills and express their creativity in a fun and supportive environment. My goal is to inspire students to become thoughtful, reflective, and innovative thinkers who use their talents to benefit themselves, their communities and the world around them.

Please feel free to reach out to me via email with any questions, concerns or feedback. I look forward to working together to make this a fantastic year for your child insha'Allah.

May Allah bless our efforts and guide us in providing the best experience possible for our students!

FOODS

Mohamed Dahrouge // mohamed.dahrouge@islamicacademy.ca

As-Salamu Alaikum, Parents and Guardians,

In the name of Allah, the most Beneficent and Merciful, we will commence this 2024-2025 school year. Although I have had the pleasure of meeting most parents the last few years, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Mohamed Dahrouge, and I will be teaching Social Studies in both grades 11 and 12, and will also be teaching Foods and English classes this year.

I graduated from MacEwan University with a Bachelor's degree in Commerce, majoring in Management in 2015 and spent the next two-plus years working in the non-profit sector with at-risk youth at what used to be known as the Youth Emergency Shelter, now known as Youth Empowerment Support Services. During this work period, I returned to school and ultimately graduated from the University of Alberta in 2019 with a Bachelor's degree in Education, majoring in Social Studies and minoring in the CTS cluster with a focus on Business, Finance, and Information Technology. I began my teaching career in 2019 at the Edmonton Islamic Academy where I taught grades 7 and 8 Social Studies. Alongside teaching, I have also served as the basketball coach for the junior and senior girls' teams at the Junior High level.

As a student and athlete for the majority of my life, I believe that every student plays an integral role in the overall function of the classroom. Playing competitive hockey for several years allowed me to appreciate the concept of "all for one, and one for all", and I strive to implement this as an educator – not only for the students but for myself as well. I believe that putting students in the best positions to succeed is important to overall student growth and fulfillment. Incorporating numerous teaching strategies to meet a child's individual needs can be challenging, but every student has his or her own unique set of learning characteristics, and it's my job as an educator to make them as comfortable as possible in the classroom and to bring the best out of them. In my classroom, learning to work as a member of a group and applying concepts at a high level is something students can come to expect from my lessons. I will do everything I can to guide students and work with them as a teacher, not a director, and believe we can achieve amazing things together.

May Allah bless us in making this year successful, and may Allah bless us in working together to overcome this virus that has taken a toll on our society. I look forward to working together with you so that your child may grow as an overall human being in a nurturing Islamic environment. I encourage all parental involvement in your child's learning. If you're ever needing to contact me, please do not hesitate to leave a message at the school by calling 780-454-4573 or emailing me at mohamed.dahrouge@islamicacademy.ca whenever you have concerns or questions regarding your

child.

COMPUTER SCIENCE 20 & WOODWORKING 10

Mohammad-Reza Salehi // mohammad.salehi@islamicacademy.ca

Assalamu Alaikum Parents and Guardians,

I hope your family had an amazing summer and is in high spirits for the upcoming school year. My name is Mohammad-Reza Salehi, and I am excited to introduce myself as your child's new CTS (Career and Technology Studies) teacher at Edmonton Islamic Academy. This is my first year at the school, and I feel privileged to be part of such a wonderful community.

I recently graduated from the University of Alberta in April 2024, earning a degree with a major in Physical Science and a minor in Biological Science. With my background, I aim to bring a fresh and enthusiastic approach to teaching, blending academic knowledge with practical, real-world applications. My goal is to ensure that your children not only learn valuable life skills but also enjoy the process.

In my classroom, I strive to create an environment that is both safe and fun. I believe that learning should be an engaging experience, and I am committed to helping students explore new concepts while fostering a sense of responsibility and respect for one another. Throughout the year, I will be focusing on teaching skills that your children can apply to their future endeavors, whether in their careers or personal lives.

I am looking forward to meeting your children and working together to make this year a successful one. Should you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to me. Open communication between parents and teachers is vital to a positive and supportive learning environment.

Thank you for your trust and partnership in your child's education.

Warm regards,

Mohammad-Reza Salehi

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

Billal Hajji // billal.hajji@islamicacademy.ca

Salaam alaikum,

My name is Billal Hajji, I will be returning for my sixth year at EIA. I am writing to express my enthusiastic anticipation for the upcoming academic journey and the privilege of guiding your children as their Business Management teacher. I am thrilled to embark on this educational voyage alongside each of them. My primary goal is to ignite their curiosity, foster critical thinking skills, and equip them with practical expertise that will prove invaluable in both their academic pursuits and future endeavors. Together, we will unravel the intricate threads of entrepreneurship, strategic planning, marketing, and more, all while cultivating an engaging and collaborative classroom environment. My aim is to create a space where their growth is nurtured through interactive learning experiences and cooperative teamwork. I strongly encourage discussions and teamwork to have a more practical aspect and to be able to explore the different faces of a subject. The keywords for success in this course are going to be: positive attitude, respect, participation, effort and growth mindset.

I am looking forward to meeting you! Feel free to contact me for any comments, questions or concerns at billal.hajji@islamicacademy.ca.

Sincerely,
Billal Hajji

RESOURCES:

- ★ Remind Code: @h93cbb
- ★ Google Classroom: rolxwp3

CALM (BOYS)

Hussein Akeileh // hussein.akeileh@islamicacademy.ca

Assalamu Alaikum,

I graduated from the University of Alberta with a bachelor of Education, majoring in mathematics and minoring in physics. I have had the pleasure of teaching at the Edmonton Islamic Academy since 2012. I finished high school in Jordan at College De La Salle and then attended the University of Jordan, where I graduated as an Electrical Engineer. I have around 15 years of experience in Information Technology that I enjoy utilizing in my classroom.

The influence of my experience working with people combined with being so involved in my own children's education has inspired me to become an educator. I believe in the transformative power of education and I encourage my students to attain the highest level of knowledge. I look forward to meeting you and wish you a rewarding school year.

I am looking forward to working with you...All of you!

CALM (GIRLS)

jude.alnajdawi@islamicacademy.ca

Dear Parents and Students, Assalamu Alaikum,

Welcome to the new school year! I am Jude Alnajdawi, and I am so excited to be the Biology 20 and 30 teacher. This is my third year teaching at EIA, and I'm ecstatic to be back.

I graduated from the University of Alberta in 2020 with a Bachelor of Science degree majoring in Biological Sciences and minoring in French Language and Literature. I immediately proceeded to get my Bachelor of Education from University of Alberta, with a major in General Sciences and a minor in French Second Language. Throughout high school and university, I have participated in multiple youth-centered volunteer activities, which nurtured my growing desire to become an educator, and it is an honor to be doing so at EIA.

I aspire to be a science teacher with an Islamic pedagogy that emphasizes multiple ways of knowing and experience-based learning in an inclusive and comfortable environment. I wish to provide students with opportunities to practice critical thinking as they explore the scientific method to gain perspective and explore the biological wonders created by The Almighty, Insha'Allah. An important goal of mine, as a biology teacher, is to have students apply their newly obtained knowledge to their lives beyond the walls of our classroom, emphasizing the beauty of learning biology –which we will do together through projects and classroom discussions. Without a doubt, I will happily support all students, providing them with the skills and assistance they need throughout the course, Insha'Allah.

I look forward to meeting you, working with you, and learning with you,
Jude Alnajdawi

PHYSICAL EDUCATION 10, 20, 30 GIRLS

[Shanya Shwetz //shanya.shwetz@islamicacademy.ca](mailto:Shanya.Shwetz@islamicacademy.ca)

Hello and welcome back!

This is my fourth year teaching at EIA and I couldn't be more excited to be back in the classroom and starting the new year. Following High School I was lucky enough to receive a full ride scholarship to play Varsity Women's Hockey where I obtained my Bachelor of Science Degree at MacEwan University. Realizing I had a passion for coaching and teaching I returned to the classroom where I received a two year After Degree in Education. Throughout my academic journey I have been honored to explore many opportunities that athletics has allowed me to have. Currently I am a coach with the Provincial U18 Team Alberta Female team that will compete at Hockey Canada's Nationals mid November. I am also a coach with the U18 Elite Female Hockey team here in Edmonton that helps Elite female student athletes find athletic scholarships across North America.

Promoting both healthy minds and a healthy lifestyle is something that I am passionate about and look forward to sharing with my students here at the Edmonton Islamic Academy. My goal is to create a safe learning environment where each student feels safe to explore and ask questions regarding their health. Physical Education is about learning to live a healthy lifestyle. It is my goal to help the female

students here at EIA find joy in physical activity, promote asking questions that can help develop a healthy lifestyle while exploring the opportunity to be leaders within the classroom. Please feel free to contact me through email if you have any questions!

RESOURCES:

★ Remind: @sspchs

PHYSICAL EDUCATION 10, 20, 30 BOYS

Yahia Dalloul // yahia.dalloul@islamicacademy.ca

Assalamu Alaikum Parents and Guardians,

In the name of Allah, the most Beneficent and Merciful,

I hope this letter finds you and your families in the best of health. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself.

My name is Yahia Dalloul. Inshallah in the 2024 - 2025 school year I will undertake the responsibility of being the Athletic Director, and will also have the pleasure of working with your son/daughter as their high school Physical Education and Gr 7 & 9 Health and Life Skills teacher.

I'm originally from Gaza, Palestine, and I grew up in Halifax, Nova Scotia. After graduating from St. Francis Xavier University located in Antigonish, NS, I spent some time teaching internationally in China and Qatar, before settling here in Edmonton. I'm entering my 15th year working in the education field, and this will be my 10th year at EIA, alhamdulillah.

I have always believed that co-curricular activities offer some of the most important life lessons. Students learn lessons in dependability, teamwork, motivation, and discipline to name a few. Inshallah, I hope to inspire my students to learn to set and accomplish goals, overcome adversity, work within a team, and strive to be the best they can be, to better their community. This is what drives me to give the students at Edmonton Islamic Academy the very best experience possible.

With that being said, it is my pleasure to serve alongside the parents to provide a great experience for our students. I am looking forward to meeting each of you over the school year. Please know that my door is always open to help support you and focus on what is best for our students.

Sincerely,
Yahia Dalloul
Yahia.Dalloul@islamicacademy.ca

RESOURCES:

★ Remind Code:

High School Summer Timetable - 2024/2025

Block	Mon	Tues	Wed	Block	Thurs	Block	Friday
B1 8:40 – 10:06 86 min				B1 8:40 – 9:51 71 min		B1 8:40 – 10:06 86 min	
10:06 – 10:10 4 min				9:51 – 9:54 3 min		10:06 – 10:10 4 min	
B2 10:10 – 11:36 86 min				B2 9:54 – 11:05 71 min		B2 10:10 – 11:36 86 min	
Lunch break 11:36 – 12:20 44 min				11:05 – 11:08 3 min		Lunch break 11:36 – 12:20 44 min	
				B3 11:08 – 12:19 71 min			
B3 12:20 – 1:46 86 min				Lunch break 12:19 – 12:59 40 min		B3 12:20 – 1:46 86 min	
Prayer 1:46 – 2:14 28 min				B4 12:59 – 2:10 71 min		Prayer 1:46 – 2:14 28 min	
B4 2:14 – 3:40 86 min				Early Dismissal		B4 2:14 – 3:40 86 min	

Diploma and Final Exams Schedule 2024-2025

Semester 1

Date	Day	Exam	Time
January 14 th	Tuesday	English 30-1/ 30-2 part A (Writing)	9:00 am–12:00pm
January 14 th	Tuesday	English 20-1/ 20-2 part A (Writing)	9:00 am–12:00pm
January 15 th	Wednesday	Social 30-1/ 30-2 part A (Writing)	9:00 am–12:00 pm
January 15 th	Wednesday	Social 20-1 part A (Writing)	9:00 am–12:00 pm
January 16 th	Thursday	Social 10-1 part B (reading comprehension)	9:00 am–12:00 pm
January 17 th	Friday	Math 30-1/ 30-2	9:00 am–12:00 pm
January 17 th	Friday	Social 10-1 part A (Writing)	9:00 am–12:00 pm
January 20 th	Monday	English 30-1/ 30-2 part B (reading comprehension)	9:00 am–12:00 pm
January 20 th	Monday	English 20-1/ 20-2 part B (reading comprehension)	9:00 am–12:00 pm
January 20 th	Monday	Math 10C	9:00 am–12:00 pm
January 21 st	Tuesday	Social 30-1 part B (reading comprehension)	9:00 am–12:00 pm
January 21 st	Tuesday	Social 20-1 part B (reading comprehension)	9:00 am–12:00 pm
January 22 nd	Wednesday	Biology 30	9:00 am–12:00 pm
January 22 nd	Wednesday	Biology 20	10:00 am–1:00 pm
January 23 rd	Thursday	Chemistry 30	9:00 am–12:00 pm
January 23 rd	Thursday	Chemistry 20	9:00 am–12:00 pm
January 23 rd	Thursday	Science 10	9:00 am–12:00 pm
January 24 th	Friday	Physics 30	9:00 am–12:00 pm
January 24 th	Friday	Physics 20	10:00 am–1:00 pm
January 24 th	Friday	Science 20	9:00 am–12:00 pm
January 27th	Monday	Semester 2 Begins	
January 28 th	Tuesday	Report Card	4:00pm