

AL-ITQAAN SUNDAY SCHOOL

MISSION STATEMENT

Allah SWT, the creator of all that Exists, is Al-Ghaniy (The Self-Sufficient One) who is free from any need while the creation is poor and in constant need of the help of the Creator. Al-Itqaan Sunday school at the Worcester Islamic Center aims to foster student development into God-conscientious individuals who place the worship of Allah SWT at the center of their existence. Moreover, the school aims at building exemplary citizens who are excellent in character and in harmony with the Islamic faith as well as the global society. This success of this mission will depend on a serious involvement of the parents, individually and collectively.

CURRICULUM GOALS

Al-Itqaan Sunday School's primary goal is to help the students develop a strong relationship with their Creator, Allah SWT, through steadfastness in worship and love of the Quran. Secondly, the school's ambition is to nurture the growth of self-aware, ever-repentant, and selfless youngsters who dedicate their life to promoting the well-being of all people around them and beyond.

OBJECTIVES

Develop an understanding of who is Allah SWT.

Develop an understanding of why Allah SWT created us.

Develop an understanding of the mission of the prophets and messengers of Allah SWT.

Develop an understanding of the tenets of Islamic faith

Develop an understanding of the importance of the Quran.

Develop an understanding of the primary sources of Islamic knowledge and how to identify trustworthy information in books, speeches and the numerous social media platforms.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Develop the capability to explain who Allah SWT is.

Develop the capability to explain the role of the prophets and messengers of Allah SWT.

Develop the capability to list the pillars of faith and Islam.

Develop the capability to provide examples of good deeds and forbidden actions in Islam.

Develop the capability to enumerate the requirements for the validity of prayer (salah).

Develop the capability to demonstrate the steps of Wudu and prayer (salah).

Develop proficiency in reading the Quran and proper recitation with Tajweed.

Complete the memorization of Juz 30 by the end of a 5-year education at Al-Itqaan.

QURAN/ARABIC

Quran instructions are mostly focused on reading ability although memorization of Juz 30 is included. Success will greatly depend on parent involvement and students' ability to make substantial efforts at home. Al-Itqaan's major goal is to provide the students

with the tools that will enable them to make individual gains and progress outside of Sunday school classroom hours.

Arabic instructions are focused on student ability to read the Quran with proper Tajweed rules. This is not intended to make the students fluent in modern/spoken Arabic. Efforts will be made to include additional materials intended to develop students' understanding of the Arabic language of Quran.

Level 1: Identify all letters of the Arabic Alphabet

Bidaya Textbook: The Alphabet and its Shapes (Chapter 1)

The Alphabet with the 3 short vowel marks (Chapter 2)

(Textbook not required for level 1 students. Material is available on the Bidaya website and App)

Arabic Writing Workbook (Taqwa prints)

Additional Supporting material: Nourani Qa'idah: Lesson 1 and Lesson 2 (Text book: Alphabet workbook). Lessons available from <https://www.qsi1.com/>

TajweedMate App <https://tajweedmate.com/>

Arabic Sanabel: Level KG1 (Include writing exercises)

Quran: Surah 1 - Al Fatiha; Surah 114 – An-Nas; Surah 113 - Al Falaq, Surah 114 - Al Ikhlas. Practice with <http://www.quranexplorer.com/>

Level 2: Develop the ability to read letter combinations and Arabic words

Bidaya Textbook: The Alphabet with the 3 short vowel marks (Chapter 2)

The Alphabet with Tanween (Chapter 3)

The Alphabet with Sukoon and Shaddah (Chapter 4)

Bidaya Reading Activities (Book, website and App): (Chapters 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Additional Supporting material: Nourani Qa'idah: Lesson 4, Lesson 5, Lesson 6, Lesson 7, Lesson 8 (Text book: Nourani Qa'idah, Arabic workbook). Lessons available from <https://www.qsi1.com/>

TajweedMate App <https://tajweedmate.com/>

Arabic Sanabel: Level KG2

Quran: Surah 1 – Al-Fatiha; Surah 114 – An-Nas; Surah 113 – Al-Falaq, Surah 112 - Al-Ikhlas, Surah 111 – Al-Masadd, Surah 110 - An-Nasr, Surah 109 - Al-Kafiroon, Surah 108 – Al-Kauther, Surah 107 - Al-Maun, Surah 116 – Al-Quraish. Practice with <http://www.quranexplorer.com/>

Level 3: Complete Nourani Qaida reading proficiency level and begin reading from Mushaf during the last trimester of the school year

Bidaya Textbook (Book, website and App): The Alphabet with the 3 long vowels (Chapter 5)

Complementary lessons (Chapter 6)

Final test (Chapter 7)

Bidaya Reading Activities (Book, website and App): (Chapters 5, 6 and 7)

Nourani Qa'idah: All lessons (Text book: Nourani Qa'idah). Lessons available from

<https://www.qsi1.com/>

TajweedMate App <https://tajweedmate.com/>

Arabic Sanabel: Level 1

Quran: Surah 1 – Al-Fatiha; Surah 114 – An-Nas; Surah 113 – Al-Falaq, Surah 112 - Al-Ikhlās, Surah 111 – Al-Masadd, Surah 110 - An-Nasr, Surah 109 - Al-Kafiroon, Surah 108 – Al-Kauther, Surah 107 - Al-Maun, Surah 106 – Al-Quraish, Surah 105 – Al-Fil, Surah 104 – Al-Humaza, Surah 103 – Al-Asr, Surah 102 - At-Takathur, Surah 101- Al-Qaria. Practice with <http://www.quranexplorer.com/>

Level 4: Reading from Mushaf

Reading: Reinforce application of Tajweed rules

Bidaya Textbook (Book, website and App): Complementary lessons (Chapter 6)

Final test (Chapter 7)

Introduction to reading from Quran (Chapter 8)

Tajweed rules (Textbook: Safar rules of Tajwid)

Arabic Sanabel: Level 2

Quran: Memorization - complete half of Juz 'Amma

Level 5: Reading from Mushaf

Reading: Reinforce application of Tajweed rules (Textbook: Safar rules of Tajwid)

Arabic Sanabel: Level 3

Quran: complete Juz 'Amma memorization plus additional surahs whenever the student is ready

Textbook: Al Quran Al Karim _ The Noble Quran (Word-by-word Translation & color coded Tajweed)

ISLAMIC STUDIES

Instructions will focus on foundational knowledge such as the pillars of Islam, pillars of faith, stories of the prophets, Ramadan, Hajj and more, In Shaa Allah. The aim is to develop an active and participatory learning environment where students will develop a deep understanding of the provided materials as well as strong communication and presentation skills.

Textbooks:

Level 1: I love Islam Level 1 (Textbook for teachers only, not required for students)

Level 2: I love Islam Level 2 (Textbook for teachers and students)

Level 3: I love Islam Level 3 (Textbook for teachers and students)

Level 4: I love Islam Level 4 (Textbook for teachers and students)

Level 5: I love Islam Level 5 (Textbook for teachers and students)

Special Note for Level 5 students: In addition to the "I love Islam Level 5" textbook, students will be exposed to Advanced learning instructions based on Active learning, Case studies and Discussions. Seminars will be held on contemporaneous topics (Food, Beverage, Gender Identity, Gender Interactions...) with Guest speakers including Dr. Muhammad Xhemali.

For level 5 students, Br Umair Zia will also teach a monthly seminar focus on Character buiding.