

Dear Parents,

On behalf of the staff at Al Nahda National Girls School, I am happy to welcome you to the 2017-18 school year! We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our children can achieve their highest potential. We recognize that in order to be successful in school, our children need support from both the home and school. We know a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child's education. As partners, we share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities.

We ask that you guide and support your child's learning by ensuring that she:

- 1) Attends school daily and arrives on time, ready for the day's learning experience:
 - a. Morning assembly begins at 7:30 am and is the start of the school day. Students arriving past 7:30 am will be considered late and a call home to parents will be made. Frequent lateness will result in progressive discipline.
 - b. To ensure safety of all students, if they must leave early a parent with a parent ID card must check them out.
- 2) Follows all ADEC policies:
 - a. We believe in teaching students how to be responsible for their electronic foot print, however in order to stay in compliance with ADEC **no personal electronics are allowed on campus. The school will confiscate any personal electronic devices when seen.** Our job is to protect instructional time and get kids to class on time, so we will no longer search students at the door. Searching students is not part of the ADEC policy and it creates a safety issue by keeping students outside for extended amounts of time.
 - b. Parents we encourage you to have your daughter keep their cell phone at home as this would be an immense help in enforcing the ADEC policy.
- 3) Students arrive to school in uniform and remain in uniform throughout the day. We are enforcing the policy of not wearing makeup and it would be helpful if parents could ensure students are not bringing makeup in their bags.



We also need your support during the school hours. The new leadership team is committed to ensuring high levels of learning are happening and that the school is safe at all times. In order to accomplish this we need to be in the hallways and classrooms, especially these first few weeks. We want to hear all of your concerns and address them. If we meet with parents all day we are unable to get into classrooms and address the issues being reported. It would help greatly if we could meet with parents after 3:00pm Sunday-Thursday, Saturday's 10am-1pm and/or by email 24 hours a day. No parent will be turned away, however meeting at the suggested times allows us to focus on what is best for your child.

Moving forward please consider joining our school Parent Teacher Organization, led by Ms. Lorie, as our students can greatly benefit from your involvement and contributions to the school's program and its operations. Our **first meeting will be Saturday the 14th of October at 12:00 pm** in the **Senior Library**. We are also in the process of revamping our twitter and Facebook page. So please stay tuned for new and improved ways to stay up-to-date on all that is happening at Al Nahda.

If you have any questions about the rules and expectations, please feel free to contact anyone on the secondary leadership team or to discuss them with your child's teacher. It is very important that you and your child are fully informed regarding standards related to appropriate behavior for a safe and productive school year. Please feel free to review the Al Nahda National School Policies which can be accessed at www.alnahdaschools.com, our new website address. The wonderful Al Nahda staff and I feel privileged to be a part of this school family. We thank you for your support and look forward to meeting you.

Respectfully and Sincerely, the Secondary Leadership Team:


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