



**YEP SATURDAY SCHOOL**  
**SYLLABUS + EXPECTATIONS**  
2023-2024

**YEP Team Contact Information**

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**Overview**

The Youth Education Program (YEP) at ADAMS provides an outlet for the social and spiritual needs of youth through studying Qur'an, engaging in Islamic Studies, participating in structured physical activities, and developing youth-driven projects. YEP's mission is to empower Muslim youth with confidence in the Islamic virtues of harmony, justice, and equality through character building, community service, and leadership development activities.

**Daily Schedule**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Brothers (HS + MS)</b>	<b>Sisters (HS + MS)</b>
10:00am	Arrival	Arrival
10:00-11:15am	Tafsir	Islamic Studies
11:15-12:00pm	Break	Tafsir
12:00-12:45pm	Organized Activity + Lunch	Lunch + Break
12:45-1:30pm	Islamic Studies	Organized Activity
1:30-1:45pm	Dhuhr	Dhuhr
1:45pm-2:00pm	Closing Recap	Closing Recap
2:00pm	Dismissal	Dismissal

**Curriculum**

The curriculum will be centered around *five main Islamic units of study*: 1. *My Relationship with Allah*, 2. *My Relationship with the Quran*, 3. *My Relationship with the Prophet (SAW)*, 4. *My Relationship with My Family*, 5. *My Relationship with My Community*. Within these units, a variety of instructional activities that focus on different topics will be differentiated to the knowledge levels of each student. Supplementing these units of study will be textbooks, published by Iqra. More information on Iqra textbooks can be found at [Iqra's website](#). These textbooks will be provided by YEP - students do not need to purchase them. The names of the textbooks per grade level are below:

Subject	Book Title
<b>All Classes</b>	
Translation of the Quran	The Quran (Oxford Classic)
<b>Middle School</b>	
Islamic Beliefs	Islamic Beliefs
Aqidah and Fiqh	Introduction to Islamic Aqidah and Fiqh
Hadiths	A Study of Hadiths
<b>High School - Intermediary</b>	
Islamic Beliefs	Islamic Beliefs
Aqidah and Fiqh	Introduction to Islamic Aqidah and Fiqh
Introduction to Tafsir	Seven Surahs Textbook
<b>Middle School/High School - Advanced</b>	
Hadith	Ulum Al Hadith an Introduction
Quran	Ulum Al Quran
Islamic History	A History of Muslim Civilization V1

In addition other course materials that students should bring every Saturday are the following:

- Spiral or Composition Notebook
- Writing Utensils (Pens, Pencils, Highlighters)
- Folder

### **Lunch**

Lunch will be provided by YEP every Saturday. The food will be halal but if there are other dietary restrictions such as allergies, please let teachers and administration know. Since lunch must be ordered in advance, it is imperative that parents and students let their teachers know if they will be absent for Saturday school at least two days in advance (by Thursday evening). This courtesy ensures that YEP is ordering the right amount of food each week.

During lunch, all students must eat in the same location. Classes will either enjoy their lunch break in their classroom, the gym, or the outside playground.

If a student decides to bring their own food or would like to order food from Qahwa Cafe, they are more than welcome to during their lunch break. A teacher must accompany them to order - they should not go unsupervised. **Food deliveries done by students from restaurants or apps like UberEats or GrubHub are prohibited.**

### **Learning Expectations**

1. **Classroom Behavior:** Appropriate and respectful behavior, befitting an Islamic environment and masjid, must be demonstrated by students at all times. This includes respectful behavior towards teachers, classmates, and others. Language and behavior towards all topics of Islam must also be respectful at all times. Instances of non-negotiable behavior like cursing, slurring, bullying, or derogatory language will receive immediate referrals to administration and parent communication.
2. **Dress Code:** All students must wear respectful and appropriate clothing. Clothing should not represent or depict any disrespectful or demoralizing images, sayings, etc. Please remember that your child is in a masjid, **if they would not wear it for salah, please don't wear it in class.**
3. **Technology Policy:** Students who have a phone, headphones, laptops, and/or tablets must manage their usage appropriately during school hours. While lessons are occurring, they should not be using

technology unless their teacher instructs them to do so. There may be instances where students must do research on their phones or chromebooks. Outside of this, students should not be using social media, FaceTime, etc. during class. They should not be listening to music. These distractions impact the classroom environment and classmates. During lunch and other class breaks, students are free to use their technology. Parent communication will occur when students continuously use their technology inappropriately.

4. **Qahwa Cafe:** Students will be allowed to go to Qahwa Cafe during lunch break with a teacher. However, students should not be going to the cafe when they first arrive (making them late to school), or during class lessons. Students are free to go after school hours, including after dismissal, and during lunch break.
5. **Attendance - Lateness, Absences:** Attendance is taken every Saturday at the start of class. YEP begins at 10:00am - if a student arrives more than 15 minutes after class starts (10:15am), they will be marked tardy. More than two tardies will prompt parent communication. If a student will be knowingly absent for an upcoming YEP class, please communicate with the student's teachers at least two days prior via email. This ensures that their absence will be marked excused and that YEP will not order food for them.
6. **Dhuhr:** All students are expected to remain with their teachers and classes during Dhuhr salah, even if they are not praying. Please ensure appropriate attire to enter masala, including a hijab (headscarf) for sisters.
7. **Parent/Student Communication:** All communication regarding class updates, changes, materials, etc. will be done through Whatsapp and email. Please download Whatsapp and use the url below.

## Whatsapp URL

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/G7RoT2BVDjwGTEhoY5mxIV>

## Yearly Calendar

Academic Calendar		
August 26th, 2023	First Day of Saturday School	Normal
September 9th, 2023	Parent Orientation	11am-12am
October 7th, 2023	Indigenous People Day	OFF
November 25th 2023	Thanksgiving Holiday	OFF
December 23rd 2023	Winter Break	OFF
December 30th 2023	Winter Break	OFF
March 30th 2024	Spring Break	OFF
April 13th, 2023	Eid Al Fitr	OFF
May 25th 2023	Memorial Day	OFF
June 29th, 2023	YEP Celebration	TBD