



المدرسة الأميركية الدولية في أبو ظبي ذ.م.م. The American International School in Abu Dhabi L.L.C.

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Dear Parent/Guardians,

The Holy Month of Ramadan continues to move through our academic year and will affect our opening hours Beginning May 6 - June 3. Please note that May 5th will be a Professional Development day for teachers, students do not attend school. Our modified hours beginning May 6 will be from 8:25 a.m. to 1:10 p.m. Sunday to Thursday. We will play the National Anthem at 8:30 a.m. Our goal is to begin instruction promptly at 8:30 a.m. so that we can maximize our limited instructional hours throughout the holy month. Learning, assessments, reviews, and reflections will continue to take place throughout the month We will have modified business hours throughout Ramadan too. Many of our staff will be leaving the school directly after students. Should you need to take care of official school business we ask that you come between the hours listed above.

In addition to AISA's modified hours, throughout the month, the school canteen will be closed. Building admin will be designating spaces around the campus for those students who are fasting to have a place to relax and escape the heat during the month. AISA admin will also be designating safe spaces for our non-fasting students to eat and drink out of sight of their peers.

Seven Star AISA busing times will also be changing throughout the month. Morning pick up times will be 30 minutes later from May 6 - June 3 and families can expect all AISA buses arriving to their drop off locations one hour and thirty minutes earlier each afternoon. We do kindly request that all families, who provide private transportation to and from school, ensure that all children are in school after we open the gates at 8:15 a.m. for the 8:30 start and picked up promptly at dismissal at 1:10 p.m. Please know that all of our staff/faculty will also be leaving campus after student dismissal.

Finally, our goal is to maintain attendance rates to no less than 98% overall so that we can achieve an outstanding rating during our next ADEK inspection. As you are aware, attendance is critical to student performance and has a direct correlation on overall student achievement. Thank you for helping us meet our goals to ensuring that your child is in school every day unless there is illness. We believe that you chose AISA because of these high standards, and we trust that you will support the school's efforts in delivering this education every day.

Sincerely,

Patrick Rich
Director