

Most frequent questions for 2020-2021 school year

· **What will the schedule for this year be?**

August 31 to September 25

Preschool, Kindergarten, and First grade classes will be **onsite everyday** (8:00 am- 3:00 pm)

2nd Grades - 12th Grade will be **online classes** only (9:00 am – 3:00 pm)

From September 28 to October 23

Preschool, Kindergarten, and First grade classes will continue **onsite everyday** (8:00 am- 3:00 pm)

2nd Grades - 5th Grade will be **onsite everyday** (8:00 am- 3:00 pm)

6th Grade-12th Grade will continue **online** (Online schedule will be provided)

What will be the drop-off and pick-up procedures for students?

Drop-off Procedure:

- The school doors will be opened @ 7:30 AM for all students.
- Parents must wait until their child's temperature is taken before dropping them off at the main entrance.
- Breakfast will be provided from 7:30 to 7:50 AM, students will pick up their breakfast and get escorted to their classes.
- Parents will not be allowed in the building without prior appointment.
- Pre-school parents will check in at the front entrance because signature is required.

Pick-up Procedure:

- Dismissal between 3:00 and 3:30 PM. Late stay will be in the homerooms from 3:30 to 4:00 PM.
- Parents will have access to the dismissal link, so they can enter the family number.
- Students will be escorted to the door, and parents will be responsible for receiving the child.
- After school child care is not available.

· **Will the student's temperature be checked upon arrival at school each day?**

There will be temperature checks on a daily basis. Students and staff are required to check their temperature before coming to school and will be checked upon arrival. Students and employees

who are sick **MUST STAY HOME.** All visitors must adhere to temperature checks and PPE guidelines.

- **What if I don't want to bring my child to school? Can I OPT out?**

Parents can choose the online option if they don't feel comfortable sending their children to a school setting. Fill out the form at this link..

- **Will classes be recorded?**

Yes, all live sessions will be recorded. All classroom material can be found on Google classroom.

Are school times still 8:00 am to 3:00 pm?

School will be from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm onsite, however classes start at 9:00 am if you are studying remotely.

- **Are there going to be after school programs this year?**

There will not be any after school care program or extra-curricular activities as of right now. The school would like to focus on social distancing and the safety of our students.

If school is online, will students be required to wear school uniforms?

Students are not required to wear their school uniform, although we recommend that the student should. All clothing must still be appropriate and in accordance with our Islamic beliefs.

- **Are masks required? If so what types of masks are allowed and are they allowed to be decorative?**

Yes, masks are required for students in grades, 4th to 10th. Masks are optional but recommended in lower Elementary Classrooms (Grades Pre-K to 3rd). Any type of face covering is allowed, as are clear face shields. The design itself should adhere to dress code rules, following conventionally accepted standards and not being a distraction. In accordance with board policy governing student conduct, clothing - to include masks - shall be free of inflammatory, suggestive, racial, or other inappropriate writing, advertisement, or artwork.

Will breakfast and lunch be served? If so how will you maintain social distancing?

Yes, both breakfast and lunch will be provided, but it will be individually packed for contactless food service. In addition to staggering lunch to accommodate smaller groups and practice social distancing.

· **Will students have recess?**

Yes, appropriate grade levels will have recess. However protective measures are being put into place, in regards to outdoor play routines, including cleaning outdoor equipment before and after play using disinfectant spray and paper towels. Outdoor signs will be posted for social distancing.

· **Will students have gym class?**

Yes, students will still have gym class although we will be minimizing class sizes by splitting the class in two.

· **What will it look like in the hallways? Bathrooms?**

Only a few students will be allowed in the hallway at a time, lockers will not be in use during the day except only for coats, boots, etc. In the bathroom we have put up reminders and posters for handwashing.

· **How many students will be in each class?**

Each classroom will have a 1 to 10 student teacher ratio. Desks will be spaced 3 to 6 feet apart when feasible. Social distancing stickers will be placed under seats and on floors for students to follow.

- **Will someone that presented with symptoms be required to obtain a negative test and/or not attend school for a certain period of time?**

Students and staff members that present with symptoms must quarantine for at least 14 days and provide documentation of a negative test.

· **Will Personal protective equipment (PPE) be provided to students?**

Yes, masks will be available upon request. However we do highly recommend that students bring one from home. Students will also have disinfectant wipes, hand sanitizer and soap available throughout the school.

- **What are the precautions for students that have a medical condition?**

Parents of students with medical conditions are encouraged to consult with their child's doctor for professional guidance.

- **Are there any considerations/ plans being made for providing social/emotional support for students?**

Yes. The school will provide social and emotional support to students. Al-Amal has a student coordinator and a part-time counselor that can address any emotional concerns or worries a student might have.

- **- Will those and/or their family members who have traveled within the United States and/or internationally be subjected to any type of quarantine?**

In accordance with CDC guidelines anyone who's been on a domestic or international flight must self quarantine for the following 14 days. Even if you have not presented with symptoms, you must monitor your health and practice social distancing.

- **If we have to close schools and transition to remote learning, will support be provided?**

Yes, students will be supported in their learning by Al-Amal faculty and staff.

- **When will teachers be available to answer questions from parents?**

Parents can set up a virtual meeting or call their child's teacher from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm, during their office hours.

- **What is the plan if a student, teacher, administrator, staff member, or parent/family member tests positive for COVID?**

The school has established a reporting system to notify parents when a student, staff, or faculty member tests positive that may have been in contact with the student. A letter of notification will be sent home to parents, faculty, and staff. While we are obligated to maintain privacy laws, we can notify parents of the potential exposure. The Department of Public Health will conduct contact tracing.