



**New Family
Open House
2019-20 School Year**

April 7, 2019

ISLAMIC CENTER OF BOSTON
Sunday School



Surah Al-Fatihah



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IXm26qJkqbU>

*Recitation by
Ubayd Rabbani*



As-salaamu Alaikum!
Welcome to ICB Wayland!



Sunday School Administration

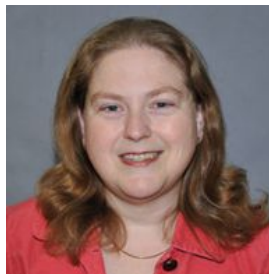
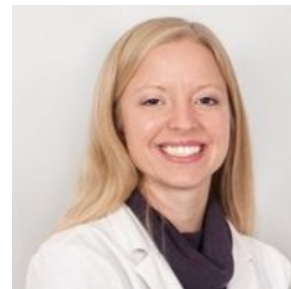
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Administrator**





Curriculum



ICB Sunday School Mission

We strive to **develop confident and compassionate American Muslims** who are inspired by the beauty of Islam and whose faith is a guide and source of strength in their daily lives.

We are committed to providing **an engaging experience that fosters a sense of community** and an appreciation for diversity within an atmosphere that is inclusive, supportive, and encouraging of questions.

The ideal graduate will be rooted in Islamic values, a life-long learner dedicated to serving others who **continues to grow in love for God and His Prophet.**



Following the Prophet's Example (pbuh)

- Academics
- Information



Ta'leem

- Education
- Transformation



Tarbiyah



Tarbiyah

A comprehensive process of **personal development**, whereby an individual grows **spiritually**, **intellectually**, and **socially** to achieve harmony between one's divine obligations and worldly responsibilities.



The Importance of Social Networks

“Social relationships...operate to nurture, sustain, and encourage religious engagement of all sorts. These circumstances, then, argue for a broadening of the very concept of ‘religious education’ to embrace the formation and bestowal of social networks.”

Make an effort to cultivate friendships with other Muslim children. It is essential to the development and retention of their religious identity.



Religion Learning Objective

GOAL: develop confident and compassionate American Muslims

- By cultivating an emotional and intellectual attachment to Islam
- By fostering friendships and social support networks
- By encouraging parents to reinforce at home what is learned at school



“Islamic Arabic” Learning Objective

GOAL: develop a deeper connection with Islam and the Muslim community

- By being able to read the Qur'an with some degree of proficiency
- By learning key vocabulary and the basics of Arabic grammar
- By developing proper pronunciation
- By memorizing and understanding short surahs and du'a
- By having familiarity with common greetings and expressions



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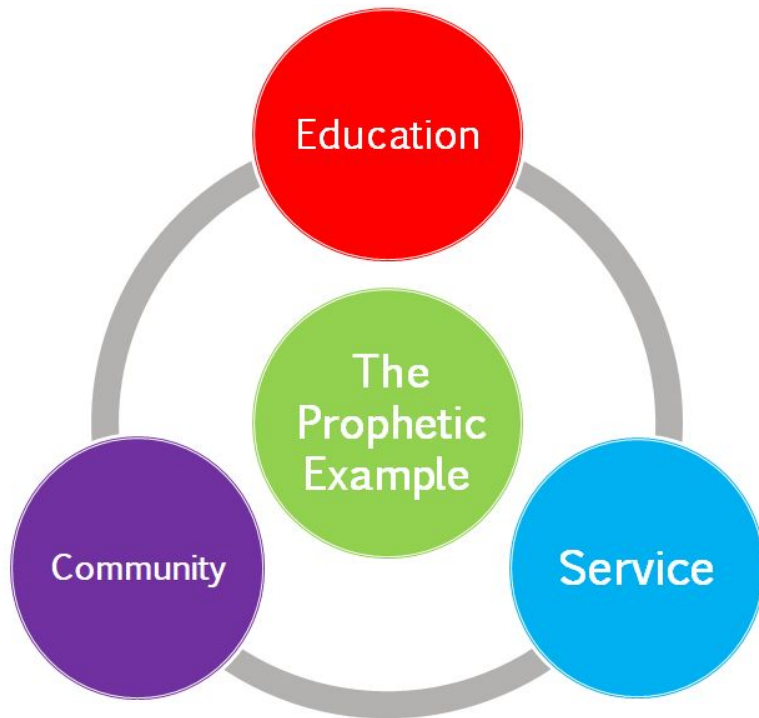
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How to implement the Mission





ICB: Co-operative Model

Research has shown that parent involvement is positively related to a child's success.

The Co-operative model in our school program:

- **strengthens** the partnership between parents and the school,
- **builds** relationships among families, and
- **demonstrates** to students that service to one's community is a part of our faith.



Parent Service Requirement

Minimum 4 hours per child

This is required in order to maintain a spot for your children in the following school year.

This is only a minimum. Most families serve more than the minimum requirement.



Two Sessions: Same Program

The afternoon Sunday school session is a new addition that began in September 2018 to accommodate the growing need in the community, with tremendous success and anticipating even more growth next year. It follows the same curriculum and policies as Morning Program.

	Morning Program	Afternoon Program
Time	10:00 am - 12:45 pm	1:40 pm - 3:30 pm
Grades	KG-10	KG-5 (current) KG-8 (expected for 2019-20)
Chances of Admission?	KG has openings Grades 1-10 may not, unless additional current families do not re-register.	Grades KG-5 have openings. Grades 6-8 have openings subject to teacher availability.



2019 Key Dates

Date	Event
Sun. April 7, 2019	New Family 1st Registration Opens
Sun. April 28, 2019	1st Registration Session Closes** but registration continues until June
Sun. June 15, 2019	Final Date to Register for 2019-20
July 15-30	Admission Decisions Finalized
Sat. Sept. 7, 2019	Teacher & TA Orientation
Sun. Sept. 8, 2019	First Day of School

****Families that register between 4/7-4/28 will be entered into a lottery to determine priority list. Registration after 4/28 is on a first come basis based on date of completed application.**



Part II: FAQ



Frequently Asked Questions

**Why aren't there spots available for grades 1-10 in the Morning Program?
I know a family leaving the Morning Program, so doesn't that mean there is availability?**

- Three issues here: (1) we have small classrooms, (2) many of our classes are already past capacity, and (3) we want students to have engaging experiences to meet our curriculum goals.
- Therefore, our goal is 24 enrolled students per grade level.
- Example: If 4th grade currently has 30 students, 7 children need to withdraw from that grade in order to add 1 new student.



Frequently Asked Questions

How is class placement prioritized?

After existing families register, open spots are offered to new families. Priority goes as follows:

1. PATP accepted applicants (next slide)
2. Families who **completed applications** for 2018-19 and did not receive a spot **and** apply for the 2019-20 school year.
3. Families that complete applications between 4/7/2019-4/28/2018 are put into a random lottery system to create a priority list.
4. Families that apply after 4/28/2019 will be added to the list based on their application date.



Preferred Admission Teacher Program (PATP)

What is PATP?

The PATP provides a path to preferred admission to families where at least one parent applies for and is accepted to teach in our School. Requirements:

1. Apply for position before June 1, 2019.
2. Interview process with School Administration.
3. If School Admin offers a spot, then Parent must accept the terms of the program, including at least one year of teaching with limited absences.
4. If terms of the Program are not met, the family will not receive guaranteed admission for the following school year (2020-21).



Frequently Asked Questions

I am applying for non-KG child. What if I list Morning as my preferred choice but there is no spot available?

As long as you choose a grade for the Afternoon Session, and it is available, then you will be offered a spot in the Afternoon. If you don't accept the spot, then you will be on the waitlist for Morning Session and you will lose your opportunity to join the Afternoon Session.

* Preferred Session	Morning
Grade Applying For (Morning):	2nd
Grade Applying For (Afternoon):	2nd

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Frequently Asked Questions

When will we find out if we received a spot?

- We will try to complete this process by July 30, 2019, inshaAllah.

What are fees?

- \$600 Family Membership fee + \$150 Tuition per child

1 child → \$750

2 children → \$900

3 children → \$1050



Frequently Asked Questions

Can my child apply only for one subject?

- The current policy is that children must enroll in and regularly attend in both subjects. This furthers our co-operative model and ensures community integration and involvement.

What is the attendance policy?

- Based on the Student & Parent Guidelines (you will receive), students must attend greater than 50% of classes in order to be eligible for a guaranteed spot in the following year's enrollment. Exceptions may be made for extended excused absences on a case-by-case basis.



Frequently Asked Questions

Do you accept students with varying levels of abilities?

- Generally, yes. We have many students with varying needs in our school and we try to accommodate as much as possible, on a case-by-case basis. Parents must disclose needs that will affect the classroom in advance. The School reserves the right before and after enrollment to make class adjustments based on a child's needs, or require parents to serve as TA if feasible. The School cannot guarantee accommodation of all needs.



Frequently Asked Questions

Why do parents have to stay on site during School hour?

- We require parents to be available in case of issues that may arise regarding their child. In addition, this is in line with the School's mission and co-operative model.

Why do you not have paid teaching positions?

- Our current model is a co-operative school designed to integration parents into the school community. We have been using this model since 1978.



Frequently Asked Questions

Do you serve food?

- We serve pizza, fruit and water for lunch. We sometimes have other food (pasta, chicken tenders, desserts) on special occasions. Our kitchen is not allergen-free.

Are there any other fees outside of admission fees?

- No. Books and lunch is included in the price. However, we highly encourage additional donations, which are tax-deductible.



How do I register and/or apply for PATP?

On-Line!

- ICB Website → School → Admission

Will I receive a confirmation?

- Yes, but it will take 7-10 days. You will receive it by email.



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2019-20 Registration Checklist

- ❑ On-line Student Application at ICB School Website: fill one out for each child
- ❑ Proof of Date of Birth for KG students
- ❑ If your child is Grade 2+, sign up for New Student Screening
- ❑ Apply for PATP (highly recommended) - only apply within one student application
 - ❑ Read PATP Guidelines
 - ❑ Complete PATP Application
 - ❑ Sign up for Teacher Interview



Q&A



Let's go through the application

<https://msp.mystudentsprogress.com/MSP/autoprocess/onlineinquiry.cfm?form=ZWf9y9a1ugjK>



Thank you for your interest in
ICB Wayland Sunday School!