



**ISRAA**  
ACADEMY

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ  
عَلَّمَ الْإِنْسَانَ مَا لَمْ يَعْلَم

(Your lord) taught man what he did not know.

*Holy Qur'an 96:5*

# Monthly Newsletter

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## About Us

### Mission

Israa Academy endeavors to nurture students into adults through the teachings of the Holy Prophet (saw) and his Pure Family (as). We believe to accomplish this, it is necessary to take on a holistic approach to the development of the student, taking into account their spirituality, education, family, community, and the society around them.

### Objective

To develop the community such that members will:

- Have a holistic understanding of Islam and submit to its teachings.
- Develop a strong Islamic identity rooted in the rich tradition of Islam.
- Be morally and ethically upright individuals within the Islamic community.
- Achieve strong intellectual capacity and use that for the advancement of the community.
- Represent Islam through their positive actions and contributions to society.
- Help pave the way for the return of the final Imam, Imam Mahdi (atjf).



inspire. learn. motivate.

For any questions or more information, please feel free to email us at: [info@israa.org](mailto:info@israa.org)

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# Update from Head of School

*Alhamdulillah*, we have successfully completed our first set of professional development classes focused on Islam's theory and approach towards the sciences for all our teachers and staff. This course was designed to address the question of whether all sciences can be categorized as Islamic. In an effort to answer this question, the course provided a brief framework on how to approach teaching these sciences to our students. To truly create an Islamic education system, it is not enough to simply add Islamic law and theology classes to the American school curriculum. An Islamic approach to education seeks to impart *tawhid* to the seekers of knowledge and create an environment that nurtures the soul to see the signs of God all around.

## **Current Updates**

Phase 1 renovations are nearly complete. As shown in the attached photos, the multi-purpose facility is almost finished. This hall will serve as a gathering space for prayers, religious programming, assembly hall, dining hall, and classroom. The building is approximately 1,600 square feet and will be equipped with many features including but not limited to a state-of-the-art AV system, basic plumbing, and dedicated prayer and dining spaces. We intend to finish all the work on it and make it ready by the first of Muharram, insha'Allah.

School registration is now open. If you are interested in enrolling your child for the 2024-2025 school year at Israa Academy, [please visit this link and fill out the enrollment form](#). The tuition cost is set at \$5,000 per student per academic year. Family discounts and financial assistance are available for those in need.

In order to socialize these efforts, we will also be launching our web page. It is currently under development and we expect to launch it this July, insha'Allah.

## **Immediate Needs**

As was mentioned previously, there are still many needs to fulfill for the upcoming school year. We hope to secure school supplies such as desks, chairs, whiteboards, projectors, and televisions.

From a staffing perspective, we are always looking for passionate and willing teachers. While we have filled all regular teaching positions, we are still seeking substitute teachers. If you are interested, please inquire with me or any of the administrative staff.

## **Appeal for Volunteers & Resources**

We pray that the upcoming Muharram serves as a time of reflection and spiritual growth for believers as the world mourns Imam Hussain (as) and his family. This is an opportunity to serve other believers, especially through the establishment of majalis and enriching our community with mourning ceremonies. Assisting these efforts with our time, energy, and resources should be considered an honor. We pray that we have the *tawfeeq* to be a part of these efforts wherever and whenever the mourning for Imam Hussain (as) is taking place.



With Prayers

*Sayyid Hasan N.*

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## Teaching Staff

**Lower Elementary**    Sis. Fatima Hasnain  
 Sis. Arman Raza  
 Sis. Shamama Sajjad  
 Sis. Zainab Razvi  
 Sis. Zainab Salah

**Upper Elementary**    Sayyid Hasan Naqvi  
 Sis. Fatima Naqvi  
 Sis. Khadija Hyder

**Lower Middle**        Sis. Sumiya Baqri  
 Sis. Fatima Hasnain  
 Sis. Hibah Jafri  
 Br. Akeem Muhammad  
 Sis. Sawsan Mumen  
 Sis. Fatima Naqvi  
 Sayyid Hasan Naqvi  
 Sis. Amber Shirazi



## Administration

**Head of School**        Sayyid Hasan Naqvi

**School Administration**    Sis. Sumiya Baqri  
 Sis. Fatima Hasnain  
 Sis. Fatima Naqvi  
 Sis. Zainab Razvi



## Support

**Operations & Marketing**    Br. Abbas Hasnain  
 Br. Qasim Kazmi  
 Br. Muhammad Sajjad  
 Br. Mehdi Shirazi

**Fundraising**            Br. Asker Razvi  
 Br. Hasan Shabbir  
 Br. Habib Shirazi



## Core Curricula

The curriculum for the various classes that will be taught has been selected. We're working closely with other muslim educational institutions to expand and enhance the content of these curricula.

**Math** Singapore Math  
**English/Language Arts** Wit & Wisdom  
**Social Studies** TCI  
**Sciences** CK Science  
**Electives** Art, Technology, Foreign Language  
**Islamic Studies** Qur'an, Islamic Law, Ethics, Beliefs



## Fundraising

**Progress** We have raised a total of **\$168,370** bringing us to **56%** to our revised 3-year fundraising target of **\$300,000**.

If you or other well-wishers are looking to contribute, please see the information below.

**Zelle** ilm.atlanta1@gmail.com  
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