

## **MOST FREQUENTLY ASKED ENROLLMENT QUESTIONS BY PARENT:**

iCademy Middle East is an American online school for students from Kindergarten through to Grade 12. We are the only KHDA licensed, NEASC accredited online school in the UAE. Every course has a qualified, experienced teacher and combines the flexibility of an online platform with live virtual teaching sessions. Students can choose from eight start dates per school year, plus summer school options for High School students.

### **1. Do you have a Learning Center where the students can attend?**

Our Knowledge Hub is based in Dubai Knowledge Park and we support students with a low teacher to student ratio.

### **2. How do students study online?**

Students log in to our online platform and are assigned a teacher for each course, along with a Homeroom teacher for KG- Grade 8 and an Academic Advisor for Grade 9 through to Grade 12. Both the student and parent will have their own log-in access details.

The teacher and Advisor will work closely with the student to ensure that they are fully supported and on track with their coursework. We have two semesters per year (90 school days each) and the end date depends on your start date.

#### **a. Do you provide me with a timetable?**

A schedule is provided within each course and live classes are available throughout the week. Classes are also recorded and can be replayed on our platform. The course calendar can be used to manage work due and ensure students are staying on track.; it is recommended that you use the agenda view so that you can see all outstanding tasks.

#### **b. What time do the live classes take place?**

Virtual live classes are scheduled to UAE timings (GMT +4) during the week. All classes are recorded in case of absence and can be played back at your leisure. Teacher/ Student ratios are maintained to ensure engagement, and students can contact the teacher directly via Google chat for further support.

#### **c. Will you send me textbooks?**

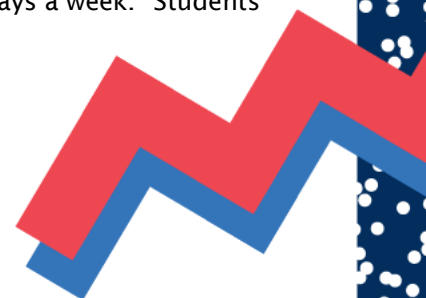
All our textbook material is digital and can be accessed through our online platform, with the exception of some AP textbooks. Students are required to submit their online coursework, quizzes, essays and exams through the Learning Management System.

### **3. Where are the exams held?**

Exams are taken at home online; the date and time is set by our school. The platform is secured with Respondus Lockdown Browser in order to ensure that students cannot open any other webpages.

### **4. How many hours am I required to study per day?**

Students in KG through to Grade 8 will typically study between 4-6 hours per day, 5 days a week. Students in Grade 9-12 will study around 6 hours per day, 5 days a week.



**5. Are you licensed by the KHDA? Will you provide me with a KHDA Transfer Certificate (Leaving Certificate) so that I can move to any other school in the UAE?**

Yes, we are the only online school in the UAE that is licensed by the KHDA and NEASC accredited. Students will receive their KHDA Transfer Certificate from our school and can transfer to any other school in the UAE.

**6. I am enrolled in a British/IB/CBSE curriculum can I enroll with you? And can I transfer back to any other curriculum school?**

Yes, students coming from any other curriculum can enroll with us and we provide students with our official report card and KHDA Transfer Certificate. Students will be able to transfer to any other curriculum school.

**7. Is your report card and diploma valid abroad?**

We are fully licensed and accredited, and our report cards are accepted by schools abroad. We offer students an American high school diploma that is fully recognized by Universities worldwide. Please check our university acceptance page on our website.

**8. What subjects do you teach in KG through to Grade 8? And what subjects do you teach from Grade 9-12?**

In KG through to Grade 8, students will take 4 core courses (English, Math, History and Science) and can choose 2 electives which are optional. Please refer to our course catalog for more details.

In Grade 9-12 we follow a credit system and students are required to take and pass 6 courses per year, English, Math, History and Science + 2 electives. Student require 24 credits in order to graduate. Please refer to our course catalog for more details on the high school courses.

**9. Do you teach KHDA courses? (UAE Social Studies, Moral Studies, Islamic and Arabic?)**

Yes, as we are KHDA licensed, our students who reside in the UAE and chose to be KHDA registered will need to take the KHDA courses. We offer full online teacher support on these subjects.

**10. What is the role of the parent, if the student studies from home?**

Students studying from home require their parent (or another responsible adult) to serve as the 'learning coach'. For younger students, the learning coach works in conjunction with the teacher, helping facilitate progress through the daily lessons and working to modify the pace and schedule according to the child's needs. The learning coach assists the student as well to stay on schedule, monitors attendance, and communicates with the online teachers.

Although parents play the role of learning coach for their students in managing the schedule and ensuring the student is completing work at a reasonable pace, teachers remain constantly involved to monitor progress, provide grades and feedback, ensure mastery, and develop specific intervention plans when these are needed.

**11. Are there any social activities run by the school? Do you hold a graduation ceremony?**

We organize monthly social activities for all of our students; it is optional for the students to participate. Previous activities include: Wild Wadi Waterpark, Sports Day, trips to the Museum, and many more.. We also hold a graduation ceremony in Dubai at the end of the academic year for all our high school graduates.

Please check out our iCademy Middle East YouTube Channel for sample lessons and video.

If you would like to find out more or are ready to enroll with us, then please do get in touch with our Admissions Office at Dubai Knowledge Village, Block 12, unit F-12, Tel. no.: 04-440-1212 or email us at [info@icademymiddleeast.com](mailto:info@icademymiddleeast.com).

