

October 2016 Newsletter



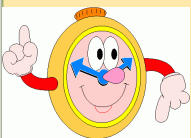
IAH Election

Islamic Academy of Huntsville would like to commemorate our board members who have served during the past term and have provided enthusiastic support and caring for our students, teachers and administrators. We now welcome our new board members Br. Sayed Kamel, Saif Warsi, and Ms. Sarah McDavid, who were recently elected. We pray for a productive academic term, inshallah.

Good Habits, Good Students

<http://www.goodhabitsgoodstudents.com/blog/2007/03/11/arrive-on-time-book-excerpt/>

BE ON



What's the big deal about arriving late? **It's a sign of disrespect.** A student who arrives late to class is sending a message to the teacher: **"You and your class are not very important to me, and making you and the rest of the class wait for me or disrupting the class by entering late is really not a problem, because you and my classmates are much less important than I am."**

Later in life you'll be happy to have the habit of arriving on time when you have to get to work each day, attend business meetings, make appointments with doctors, lawyers, and bank officers, etc. In each case, by arriving on time you send the message that you respect others and appreciate the value of their time and attention. **If you are in the habit of arriving late, start arriving on time today.**

Upcoming Events

Tuition is DUE	Nov 1st
Day light Saving time (Move clocks earlier by 1 hour)	Nov 6th
Students Council Election	Nov 8th
Students' Half Day (Dismissal at 11:45)	Nov 10th
No School (Veteran's Day)	NOV 11th
School Spelling Bee	Nov 22nd
Thanksgiving holiday (no school)	November 23-25th

Safety and Emergency Procedures:

On Thursday, Nov. 10th at noon, Sargent Tess Hughes will meet with our teachers for reviewing safety protocols in our school. Huntsville Police Sergeant Tess Hughes, a supervising officer in the precinct that serves the area that includes the Islamic Academy and masjid, will provide an in-service for teachers on keeping our students safe. Sgt. Hughes will also do a walk-through of our school, masjid, and grounds with the IAH principal and the teacher in charge of safety, Mrs. Cook (who was a safety officer when she served in the U.S. Army), to see if there is anything we can do to improve the security of our building and grounds. Alhamdulillah, thanks to God for such good community resources! **School will be half day and students will be dismissed at 11:45 on that Thursday. It is vital for you to pick up your students on time.**



Competing in doing Good!

Quran [3.114]: They believe in Allah (God) and the last day, and they enjoy what is right and forbid the wrong and **they strive with one another in hastening to good deeds, and those are among the good.**

In order to encourage our students to do more and to compete in doing good deeds, inshallah, we will start a "Shout out" wall. Students, teachers, parents, community members can post a note about a good deed some one has done. This also helps individuals to focus on "positive" qualities of a person, rather than negative ones.

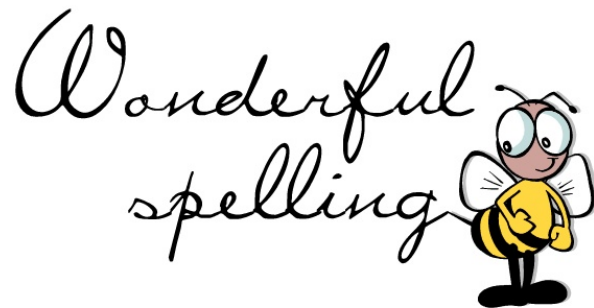
We are excited about this upcoming community project!

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SPELLING BEE

Spelling Bee will be different this year. Our **First and Second** grade students have joined our Spelling Bee competitors! We are so excited and proud of our young participants and welcome them to the challenge! This is a great practice for early elementary students and helps them do better as they grow older. In addition, the vocabulary component will be included as well. This helps students prepare for the county competitions!

Our teachers, Ms. Rodrigues and Frye, are excited for their young, capable, spellers :)

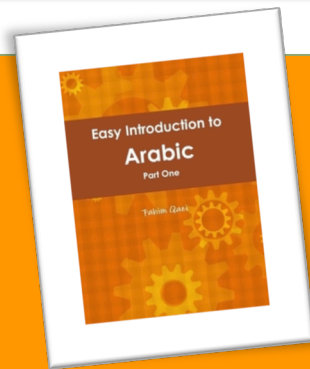


QURANIC LINGUISTIC

On Saturday, Oct 29th, a few number of IAH staff met with brother Qazi Fahim, who visited us from Birmingham. He offers a comprehensible and user-friendly Arabic curriculum. We loved the books, and the program he offers and inshallah will begin implementing them in our curriculum. Br. Fahim offers online lectures as well as teacher certification. For more information please visit his website:

http://quraniclinguistics.com/curriculum/components_of_a_successful_quranic_arabic_program

We thank Sis. Wesam for planning this visit and including us in the program as well! May Allah reward you always!

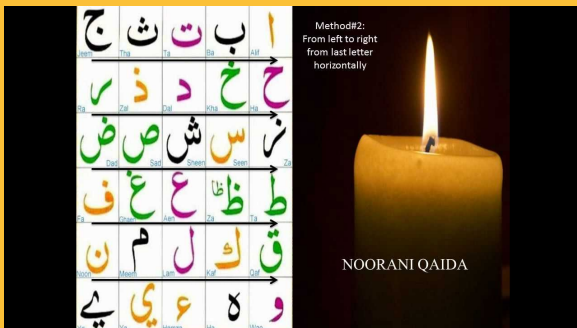


What's happening in...



Soccer Club update

Soccer Club will meet on Monday, Nov 7th, inshallah! We are so excited!!! Students will have a tryout Monday with Yaseen Golzarian, a junior at *Huntsville High School* and a previous IAH student, as their coach! After this session, according to number and age of participants, the students may be divided to two groups. Younger students may meet on Mondays, and older students will meet Friday afternoons, inshallah. Soccer Club begins immediately after dismissal (3:45 - 4:30pm). Parents, please be on time to pick up your students on time.



Qaidah Nooraniya and Arabic club

We are looking to start a club for students interested in more Arabic and Quran reading. Ms. Basmah, our wonderful Arabic class assistant, will lead the club, inshallah. The forms

will be sent home to determine number of families who are interested and possible participants. Please fill out the form as soon as possible and return to school. The club will meet 2-4 times a week, depending on number of participants. Time will be announced.

What's happening in...



PTO Corner (Parents- Teachers- Organization)

Our PTO elected their 2016-2017 officers during their meeting in early September. The election for 2017-2018 year will take place in May 2017, inshallah (God willing).

Our PTO officers for this academic year are:

- ❖ **President: Vijdan Nour**
- ❖ **Vice President: Eman Lotfey**
- ❖ **Secretary: Summayah Fatima**
- ❖ **Treasurer: Bushra Elsayed**

Please direct all inquiries to PTO_IAH@yahoo.com

Our moms have been working tirelessly on Fridays to provide us with delicious sandwiches. The proceeds go to PTO Fund and will be used for improvements around the school and classrooms. Please be a part of the movement toward success and cooperate with our hard-working mothers. **Everyone is obligated to help as much as they are able to.**

We thank Sis. Nijat and the moms who have taken the initiatives to make the school safe and secure for our students. They have worked hard to create a safe, clean and pleasant environment for our students as well as teachers. May Allah bless them and their families and may they continue their support for our school!

PTO Corner:

- 🍏 Our condolences go to Dr. Baber Khan, president of IAH Board, and Sis. Nijat, in loss of their beloved family members. Inna lillaahi wa inna ilayhi Raajii'oon 'To Allah we belong and to Him is our return.' May Allah grant them mercy and enter them into gardens of paradise.
- 🍏 Congratulations to Eltom family on the new addition to their family and the future IAH student, inshallah.
- 🍏 A huge THANKS to families who donated the funds and purchased a complete **First Aid kit** for each class. Students can now be cared for in their very own classrooms without being sent to office for minor cuts and injuries.
- 🍏 Looking forward to Ladies-Night Fundraising in November! All details will be announced soon will be announced soon!

What's happening in...

We are collecting Box Tops!

HOW BOX TOPS WORK:

BUY Find "Box Tops for Education," a postage-stamp-sized emblem on hundreds of products > (Cereals, Ziploc bags, Green Giants Vegie Steamers, Lysol Cleaning supplies, Scots Paper Products, Yoplait, Land O'Lakes, Annie's, Nature Valley, Mott's, and Fiber One, etc.)

CLIP Box Tops from each package.

SEND Box Tops to school in a bag

EARN Box Tops are each worth 10¢ for your school.

HOW DOES CASH GET TO YOUR SCHOOL?

Our school's Box Tops Coordinator will collect all the Box Tops and send them in so our school can get cash. Checks are mailed to schools twice a year in December and April.

Bonus Box Tops at stores

Occasionally, stores hold promotions where they give away extra Box Tops.

Bonus Box Tops online

Members get exclusive chances to win extra Box Tops.

<http://www.boxtops4education.com>



IAH Mini Store

To help raise extra funds for school expenses, IAH will open a small store in the front office beginning Monday, Nov. 7th, inshallah. The goal is to gradually grow the store to where it generates good profit for school expenses, although right now it is very small. We ask for your support as always. Come visit our store on Monday!



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