

AMERICAN CURRICULUM ASSESSMENT POLICY

2017/2018 AY

Dear Parents,

In our best effort to build a strong foundation that will guide us in achieving the 21st century skills, we would like to present to you our grading criteria to be fully implemented this academic year for our American curriculum subjects. Please be guided by the percentages allotted in each criterion.

Grades in core subjects such as English, Science and Math will be taken from Daily Assessments (60%) and Formal Exam (40%). Formal exam is scheduled at the end of the term while Daily Assessment is an ongoing assessment. The criteria of Daily Assessments in each subject are listed as follows.

English				Science		Math	
	Grade:1-2	Grade:3-7	Grade:8-11				
				Mastery Tests/Quizzes	10	Mastery Tests/Quizzes	10
Spelling	5	5	5				
Writing	5	5	5	Class Work	5	Math Drill	5
Reading	5	5	5	Homework	5	Homework	5
Listening/ Speaking	5	10	10	Synthesis	10	Synthesis	10
Homework	5	5	5	Practical Work	10	Mental Math	10
Mastery Tests/Quizzes	10	10	10	Inquiry Skills	10	Problem Solving Skills	10
Online Resources(1- 7) Book Report/ (8-10) Term Project (Grade 11)	5	5	5	Behavior	10	Behavior	10
Synthesis	10	5	5	Total	60	Total	60
Behavior	10	10	10				
Total	60	60	60				

Synthesis criterion allows us to measure the extent of thinking, communication and collaboration skills your child has developed during the grading period. We will be using this criterion when grading projects, research work and the overall performance of your child. Class work includes all the completed worksheets, exercises in the practice book, workbooks and in student books done during their class periods. Homework is vital to learning and that the school deemed it wise to consider them in grading. Please make sure that your child is doing the homework and submit them on time as indicated in the weekly plan. Mastery tests are scheduled tests, drop tests and/ or Unit tests given to assess your child's understanding of the lessons.

For minor subjects such as Computer, Physical Education, Music and Arts; we will follow 40% Practical and 60% Daily Assessments. Practical is a scheduled hands-on test which will measure the skills developed during the term. We shall inform you ahead of time the schedule of the practical tests through the weekly plan.

Computer		Physical Education		Music		Arts	
Mastery Tests/Quizzes / Practical	10	Skills	15	Knowledge	10	Knowledge	10
Knowledge	10	Knowledge	10	Rhythm	15	Originality	15
Homework	5	Physical Fitness	15	Melody	10	Techniques and Styles	10
Synthesis	10	Participation	10	Expression and Interpretation	15	Expression and Interpretation	15
Computer Skills	15	Behavior	10	Behavior	10	Behavior	10
Behavior	10						
Total	60	Total	60	Total	60	Total	60

A passing mark of 50% shall be observed every term. The final grade at the end of the year will be obtained by taking the average of the three term grades. Any queries regarding the assessment, you may contact us or schedule an appointment with the supervisor during office hours.

AIAS Students Behavior Policy; Merit and Demerit System: this system aims to make students become good citizens as they follow school rules and regulations reflective of the UAE's policy in general, and lessen significantly disruptive behavior and encourage a positive environment in the school upholding Islamic Morals and Values. Therefore, Grade 1 to 11 students shall be having behavior marks that will be given by the Social Worker at the end of each term. Each student shall have a mark of 95% for behavior at the beginning of the term. Merits and demerits shall be awarded during each academic term. Good behavior shall be awarded with points as indicated in the list of merits. Likewise, demerit points will be deducted from the marks for failure to abide by the school regulations. Students who obtained marks lower than 80% shall automatically be in the Behavior filter list. If the "Filter List" status remains until the end of April of the academic year; students will not be re-admitted in the next academic year.

Kind Regards,

Mrs. Jessica Griffin
Principal