



**YAS**  
AMERICAN ACADEMY



**EMPOWERING THE NEXT  
GENERATION TO SHAPE  
OUR FUTURE**



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to Yas American Academy, an inspiring school where all pupils reach for the stars!

I invite you to visit our world class campus to see the quality of the learning spaces, our excellent international staff team and of course our truly wonderful students.

Our students follow the Massachusetts State Curriculum which offers a dynamic and challenging approach to learning. Through a carefully crafted sequence of learning episodes students build their skills, knowledge and understanding of the world across a broad range of subjects. From Engineering to Art, from PE to English from Arabic to History all corners of education are explored. Elementary children build up their core skills through a thematic and investigative approach.

As children move into the middle and high school- options are taken which determine learning pathways that best suit your child and electives are chosen that motivate and inspire them. All these experiences lead to the High School Diploma and a gateway to Universities both in the UAE and beyond.

### Chris Nourse Bio

Mr. Chris Nourse has nearly 30 years' experience in education. He has been Principal of 6 schools both in the UK and the UAE. As well as a trained school inspector, Chris mentors the next generation of school Principals through the Aldar Training Academy. Chris is passionate about all children being given exciting learning opportunities so they can reach their full potential both academically and personally. Chris is Married with three children, all of whom attended Aldar Academies schools, and of whom he is rightly proud.

As a school leader Chris believes in devolving leadership across his teams and to maximise engagement with all stakeholders, as parent partnership is key to ensuring children are fully supported at home and at school. Pupil voice is especially important as it helps to direct the work of the school.

Finally Chris believes that children learn best when they feel happy, secure and inspired.

# THE CURRICULUM

The American Massachusetts State Curriculum is the most highly regarded of all study programmes in the United States. With close ties to prestigious universities such as Harvard and MIT, it stands above other curricula for its rigorous, comprehensive and forwardthinking design. It's also considered to be more demanding - and therefore rewarding - than the American Common Core Curriculum.

The Massachusetts approach is well organised with clear expectations at each grade level. Assessments are efficiently organised to inform teachers and parents of the progress being made by students across all subjects. As student-centric, the American Massachusetts State Curriculum focuses on interactive enquiry-based learning, physical education, and extracurricular activities. These develop students well-rounded teaches the mastery of specific skills, and builds confidence from an early age. Students work towards the American High School

Diploma, which is the standard qualification to gain entry into leading US universities and colleges. The diploma is also increasingly being recognised by other leading higher education institutes across the world.

As the curriculum has such a strong focus on extra-curricular and co-curricular activities to complement the core subjects, Aldar Academies has invested in the most advanced teaching technology and facilities available. As a result, students can excel in their preferred sports, creative arts, specific vocations and all core subjects. The teaching of Arabic subjects is based on the guidance and materials prescribed by the Ministry of Education. It keeps local and other native Arabic speaking and Muslim children familiar with their national identity and religion. In addition, our international students gain an understanding of the UAE's heritage which helps enhance mutual understanding, peaceful co-existence and cross-cultural harmony and tolerance





**SUPPORTED BY THE SAME EXCEPTIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS AND TECHNIQUES DELIVERED ACROSS THE ALDAR ACADEMIES FAMILY**

Aldar Education is the leading provider of private education in Abu Dhabi and Al Ain, holding accreditations from a number of international educational bodies. We deliver inspiring learning environments, combining the very best academic, arts and sporting facilities with the highest standards of teaching. As a result, our students perform at the very highest level, achieving exam grades that exceed global averages and secure places at the world's leading universities.

Should you wish to find out more about Yas American Academy, please contact our Parent Relations Executive: [PRE@yasamericanacademy.sch.ae](mailto:PRE@yasamericanacademy.sch.ae)

# WHAT MAKES YAS AMERICAN ACADEMY UNIQUE?

Aldar Academies' a founding American-curriculum school Yas American Academy follows the Massachusetts State curriculum, recently ranked as the **number 1 curriculum** in the United States.

Yas American Academy is accredited by The New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC), the oldest and most prestigious regional accrediting body in the United States.

## A STRUCTURED LEARNING ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL AGES AND PHASES

Yas American Academy uses a play-based learning model in Kindergarten, inquiry-based learning model in the elementary grades and project based learning in middle and high school phases. Research proves that schools as ours who adopt such approach to learning produce high quality education.

## A LEADERSHIP PATH TO A SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME

Every student, regardless of their starting point, academic ability or future goals, has a pathway to success at Yas American Academy. Our curriculum is both broad and well balanced. Should a student wish to study or gain future employment in the UAE, USA or beyond, our curriculum program supports students, eventually tendering close to 100 + courses in the middle and high school program.

## WE PRIDE OURSELVES IN PROVIDING THE BEST EDUCATION IN THE BEST SURROUNDINGS

We boast a wide range of sporting facilities for activities both during and after school. Our dedicated performing arts facilities allow our students to explore their creative sides, while an extremely well-resourced library supports academic studies.

## YAS AMERICAN ACADEMY IS A DIVERSE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL LOCATED ON YAS ISLAND

We celebrate diversity and are proud to have over 40 nationalities enrolled in our school.



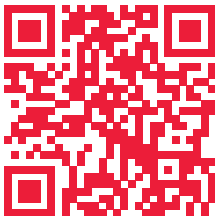




## FEES

All our academy fees are regulated by the Abu Dhabi Department of Education and Knowledge (ADEK) and are only subject to review every two years.

Year Group	School Fees Per Annum (in AED)*	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
PRE - KG	53,940	21,576	16,182	16,182
KG1 - KG2	53,940	21,576	16,182	16,182
Grade 1 - Grade 5	56,060	22,424	16,818	16,818
Grade 6 - Grade 8	60,300	24,120	18,090	18,090
Grade 9 - Grade 12	65,060	26,024	19,518	19,518



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