

Dear parents,

As we observe these challenging times, we would like to thank you once again for your strength and ability to continuously sustain our children's right to education while keeping them safe at home. We continue to count on our students' resilience and your support to make the best of these times for their education.

We are drawing nearer to the end of the academic year, and we wanted to clarify our grading and evaluation plans so that you understand the expectations and our students can focus on their own learning and growth.

In this next part, we will highlight our outlook about Final Exams and semester two evaluation. We hope that this clarity will allow everyone to move forward with ease. We will also be explaining this process in class to our students to confirm their understanding of the process as they move forward.

For Grades 5 to 12

- ✓ **Semester 2 evaluation grade** counts for 30% of the **yearly** overall grade, and it is divided as follows:
 - The school closed at the end of Quarter 3 (Q3):
The students' work and assessments during that period will count as 40% of Semester 2 evaluation grade.
 - Distance Learning started on March 22nd and will continue until June 18th:
During this time, students are attending live sessions and submitting weekly assignments.
This work will count as 60% of Semester 2 evaluation grade.
- ✓ **Final Exams** will count as 20% of the **yearly** overall grade.

All students from grades 5 to grade 12 will be required to submit a **“Capstone Assignment”** for English, Math, Science, Arabic and Social Studies.

For all other subjects, including electives, students will not have to submit a capstone assignment. The Semester two evaluation grade will be adopted as the final exam grade.

About the Capstone Assignment:

- We will post the Capstone assignment requirements and format by May 24th latest.
- Submissions will be scheduled from June 7th till June 25th.
- After each submission the student will have a structured and graded one-to-one interview with the teacher about the learning and the capstone assignment.
- The Capstone assignment will be graded out of 75%.
- The interview will be graded out of 25%.
- Combined together, the Capstone assignment and the interview will produce the grade that will be posted under “Final Exam” on the report cards.

For KG to Grade 4

- ✓ The work that the students from KG to Grade 4 have done in Semester 2 will be posted as their Final exam and evaluation grade.
- ✓ Live sessions for KG to Grade 4 will continue until June 18th.
- ✓ There is no Capstone assignment for these classes.

Parents are kindly requested to take note of the following important dates:

• May 20th to May 24th:

We will be posting all Capstone Assignments and requirements and clarifying dates of submission which will be between June 7th – June 25th.

• May 24th to May 28th:

Week of Eid Al Fitir (to be confirmed in a separate communication)

• May 31st to June 4th:

Last week of live sessions for any new lessons. With dedication of live session for Grades 5 to 12 to answer all questions about the Capstone Assignment and help guide them better on submitting the work.

• June 7th to June 25th:

Submission of **Capstone Assignments** and interviews according to the schedule which we will share soon.

We wish our students all the best in the next few months. We are confident that with their hard work, in addition to the schools' and your support, they will become well-rounded learners capable of engaging and learning in any platform under any circumstances.

Thank you for your continued support and trust,

ISAS Administration
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